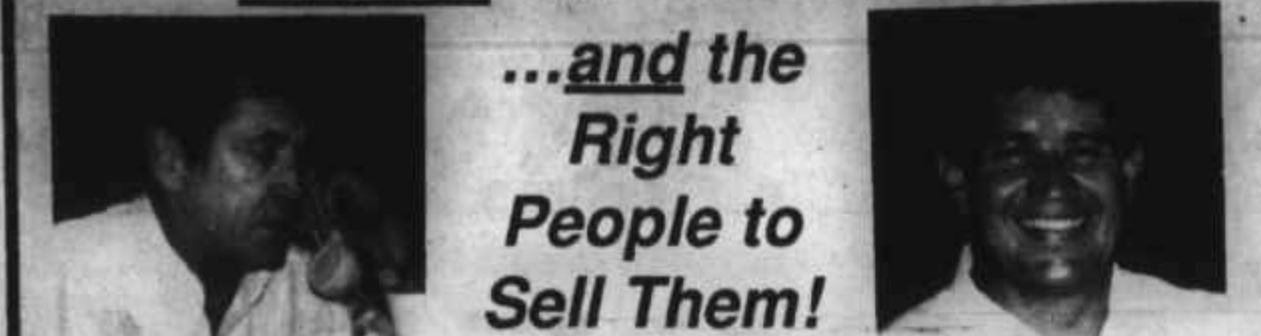


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Council

any action.
The railroad will be contacted to see if the City was ever awarded a right to the easement. "If we don't, let's get

Sheriff

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case is open.
Deputies Neisner and Robert Miller investigated a report of family violence on Schutte Warshaw Road. Sunday, Nov. 14, Deputies Peters and Kahlden arrested a subject at 1:15 a.m. for public intoxication and terrorist threat. They made a second arrest for public intoxication at the New Beilau Hall parking lot.
At 5 p.m., Deputies Neisner and Miller investigated a report of burglary of a habitation on County Road 250 near the Fayette County line.
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Love, Mom, Patricia, Carmen & Joseph

one," Bandy said.
Spending City funds on private property constitutes a legal question, even though other easements alleged to be owned by the railroad have been maintained in the past by the City.
The possibility of Commerce Street not being owned by the City also arose.

All of these questions surfaced after former mayor Elmer Struss related a historical assessment earlier this month of verbal agreements made by the City to maintain certain areas following improvements financed by private citizens around the year 1966.
Council adopted a resolution in opposition to the "Trans-Texas Project" designed to transfer water from "water surplus" areas of Texas to "water deficit" areas.
The Colorado River has been designated as a "water surplus" basin.
The project would set up water transfers from the Colorado River to the cities of San Antonio and Corpus Christi.

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have been submitted to the state;
• Heard plans to remove railroad tracks on Prairie, State and possibly Church Streets; and
• Heard a report by Chief Hall regarding plans for the police department which include the possibility of obtaining a drug dog and canine officer for the City.

In other business, Council:

• Acted upon bids for surplus property;
• Learned that sewer plant plans

county jail for confinement.
Police Chief "Buck" Hall stated that the quick response and cooperation of the owner of the bar where the fight started contributed to the department's ability to quickly locate the suspects.

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Eagle Lake students 'jump rope for heart'

A group of fourth and fifth grade students at Eagle Lake Middle School have just completed another successful "Jump Rope for Heart" event. The students collected a total of \$1,013.23.

Coach Dennis Jackson, who was in charge of the project, noted the young students are grateful to the businesses and individuals who helped by donating funds. Each student collected pledges for jumping rope.

This project is sponsored annually by American Heart Association to raise funds for research, education and prevention of heart disease.

The overall top money raiser was fifth grader Samantha Bluntson with \$91. She was presented trophy and medal as well as prizes for her effort. Hub Weller raised \$68.45 as the top money raiser for the fourth grade class. He received a trophy as well as his prizes.

Fifth graders who raised funds were William Ramirez, \$84.50; Jamie Christ, \$62.25; Andrew Powers, \$64.01; Monique Cotton, \$62.75; Kayla Schunka, \$47.50; Mark Contreras, \$44; Misty Morales, \$33; Maria Martinez, \$20; Gretchen Marsalia, \$16; Gus Seaholm, \$15; Shuronda Tillman, \$10.31; Cindy Osornio, \$8.10; Stephanie Jackson, \$7; Blanca Guerra, \$6.

Fourth graders who helped raise funds were Selenia Sykowski, \$64; Kayce Wilkerson, \$61; Mary Lou Coronado, \$45; Crystal Ramirez, \$35; Imelda Posada, \$33.50; Kendra Colson, \$33; Angelina Molina, \$30.12; Cathy Fearing, \$25; Erica Garcia, \$18; Adelaida Morales, \$10.24; Aida Cortez, \$9.50; Amanda Henry, \$6.

Each student received a certificate of appreciation and prizes according to the amount of money collected. Each one who participated or donated to this cause has had a part in prevention and education in the fight against heart disease.

Headlight Photos by Susie Jackson



These fourth graders at Eagle Lake Middle School, in photo above, helped raise funds by jumping rope. Pictured from the left on the front row are: Aida Cortez, Erica Garcia, Imelda Posada, Hub Weller, Kayce Wilkerson, Cathy Fearing, Selenia Sykowski; back row, Angelina Molina, Crystal Ramirez, Amanda Henry, Mary Lou Coronado and Adelaida Morales. Kendra Colson is not pictured.



Fifth graders who raised funds for "Jump Rope for Heart" are pictured, front row from the left: Stephanie Jackson, Monique Cotton, Samantha Bluntson, Mark Contreras, Shuronda Tillman; second row, Blanca Guerra, Misty Morales, Maria Martinez, Cindy Osornio, Kayla Schunka; third row, Jamie Christ, Gretchen Marsalia, Gus Seaholm, Andrew Powers, and William Ramirez.

Farm-City Week proclaimed in county

"In keeping with the observance of Thanksgiving and appreciation for the farms and ranchers who produce our food, Texans salute the ag producers during Farm-City Week, Nov. 19-25," announced Perry Kloesel, president of the Colorado County Farm Bureau.

Colorado County Judge H.O. Strunk signed a proclamation declaring the week in the county as well.

Kloesel noted that 2% of the U.S. population lives on the farm but they manage to produce food for the other 98% of the 250 million Americans. That translates into one American farmer producing enough food and natural fiber for about 128 people both at home and abroad.

Texas agriculture ranks at the top nationwide. Among the top areas of production, Texas is:

Number one in sales of cattle and calves with 14% of the nation's cattle herds;

Number one in sales of sheep and wool, goats and mohair with receipts estimated at \$97 million for sheep and goats and \$30 million for wool and mohair

Number one in cotton production with cotton and cottonseed marketing in excess of \$775 million; and

Number one in the value of farm real estate, number of farms and ranches and the amount of farm and ranch land.



Group Courtesy of Fred and Jeff Frnka

Veterans remembered

A program saluting this country's veterans was held at the Eagle Lake Community Center last Thursday. Jim Buckner, in photo below, served as master of ceremonies. The colors were presented by members of VFW Post #8783 of Eagle Lake. In photo above, American Legion Commander Fred R. Frnka and the post's WWII 50th Anniversary Commemorative Program Committee posed with Eagle Lake Mayor Don Bandy, far left, with the commemorative flag they presented to the City. Committee members are, from left, Ralph Truly, Walter Lee Bauer, Elmer Struss and Fred Frnka. Not pictured is committee member Louis Muzny.



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Foot Facts

By Dr. Eric R. Tepper, Podiatrist

WARNING FLAGS FOR THE DIABETIC FOOT

People with diabetes are people who need to "stay on their toes" where the well-being of their feet are concerned. Reduced blood flow and sensation in the feet make diabetics more susceptible to injuries and impaired healing. The key to preventing problems is being alert to the warning signs. Red "hot" spots, often caused by pressure or friction, can quickly become blisters, corns, or calluses. Red streaks on the foot may indicate infection. Sensations such as tingling or numbness can signal nerve damage. Unusually warm feet may be a sign of infection, while cold feet are sometimes symptomatic of an inadequate blood supply. Thickened or ingrown toenails can lead to redness, swelling, and pain.
Diabetics need to take extra caution with their health, from their eyes to their feet! We can help. Please call my office for further information or for an appointment, at the Eagle Lake Community Hospital at 409-234-5571. I am there the first and third Tuesdays of the month. As a family practice, I offer comprehensive diagnosis and treatment of foot problems, as well as preventative foot care direction.
P.S. Without immediate proper care, the smallest foot irritation or crack can lead to major complications for the diabetic.

An attitude of gratitude

By Elizabeth Boothe

"I will bless the Lord at all times; His praise shall continually be in my mouth." - Psalms 34:1

God has blessed us in so many ways and we can thank Him by using our potentials in the proper use of such personal things as voice, hands, feet and eyes; such material possessions as house, car, banks, telephone and food; and intangible possessions including time, love and talents.

I thank God first of all for my Savior Jesus Christ. I

am grateful for my loved ones and my friends, especially my friends in this community. I am thankful for our dedicated doctors and nurses and for the good health I have enjoyed most of my life. I continue to be more appreciative of the wonders and beauties of nature:

"Count your many blessings.
Name them one by one;
Count your many blessings.
See what God hath done."

J. Oatman, Jr.

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U.S. Postal Service schedules 'Customer Appreciation Day'

Post offices in our area (with zip codes beginning with 774) will hold a "Customer Appreciation Day" on Wednesday, Dec. 1, from 9 a.m. until noon. These locations will be serving coffee and various baked goods to show their appreciation of their customers. Area offices involved in this observance will be Eagle Lake, Altair, Rock Island, Sheridan, Garwood, Nada, Lissie, Wallis and East Bernard.

The Postal Service will be gearing up for the Christmas rush soon and would like to show their customers that they are valued.

NEWSBRIEFS

No trash pick Thanksgiving or day after

The City of Eagle Lake offices and trash service will be closed for Thanksgiving on Thursday and Friday, Nov. 25 and 26. Regular service will resume Monday, Nov. 29, and Tuesday, Nov. 30. There will be no "double-up" on trash service Monday or Tuesday. Each residence will have only one pickup day during the week of Thanksgiving.

Area offices close for Thanksgiving

The Colorado County Courthouse, the Eagle Lake Headlight, Eagle Lake Insurance and the Chamber of Commerce offices will all be closed Thursday and Friday, Nov. 25 and 26, for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Raiders head for the Alamodome

The Rice Raiders are to play Gonzales in an exhibition game Saturday, Nov. 27, at the new Alamodome in San Antonio. It is a special promotion for the San Antonio Spurs game which will be held that night at 7:30 p.m. Fans can purchase tickets for \$17 and \$10. Rice will play Gonzales at 1 p.m., a second high school game will follow theirs and the Spurs will play the Dallas Mavericks at 7:30 p.m., all for one ticket. Tickets are available by calling Coach Ray Reynolds at Rice High School, 234-3543 or 234-3035.

Defensive driving course planned

Saturday, Nov. 27, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. there will be defensive driving class at the Wintemann Library in Eagle Lake. Gene Creemeens is the instructor. To register for the class call 234-5411 or 409-543-7849.

Fort Bend Singles hold dance

The Fort Bend Singles will sponsor a dance Friday, Nov. 26, at 8 p.m. in the Needville KC Hall. Music will be by the Country Cousins. The public is welcome and there will be door prizes. For information call 409-232-4782 or 409-793-4573.

Gonzales Winterfest is Nov. 26-28

A festival of lights, food, and shopping are planned in Gonzales beginning Thanksgiving day through Sunday Nov. 28. Businesses will have open house, each day from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Santa will arrive Saturday and the Pioneer Village will be decked out for holiday walking tours.

Bastrop has arts and crafts fair

The Bastrop Opera House will sponsor a Thanksgiving Arts and Crafts Fair Friday and Saturday, Nov. 26 and 27. The 104 year old theater building at Bastrop will open at 9 a.m. for the Christmas crafts sale. There is no admission charge and it ends at 6 p.m. Breakfast, lunch and snacks will be available.

Garwood to light up

A reminder to everyone in the Garwood area that the Garwood Community Association party "Santa Lights Up Garwood" is set for Wednesday, Dec. 1. The program begins at 6 p.m. with Santa's arrival followed by the tree lighting, carolers and a live nativity on the library lawn. A stew supper will be served for \$4 adults and \$2.50 children. There will also be a hay ride and door prizes during the festivities.

Seniors have Christmas Dance

A senior citizens Christmas dance sponsored by the Knights of Columbus is scheduled Friday, Dec. 3, at the Eagle Lake KC Hall. A battle dance will be held from 7:30 to 11:30 p.m. featuring the Country Playboys and the Bobby Jones Czech Band. The public is welcome and tickets are \$5 a person.

Eagle Lake parade memorial to Supak

The Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce Lighted Christmas parade will be Saturday, Dec. 4, at 6 p.m. This year's parade is dedicated to the memory of Dan Supak, a longtime resident who died last year. Santa will be arriving in town that evening to take part in the annual event.

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German Society open house is Dec. 6

Texas German Society will have a Christmas open house Sunday, Dec. 5, from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Texas German Museum-Witte Schmid Haus in the Schoenau community near Shelby. The public is invited to attend. For additional information call 409-543-3730 after 8 p.m.

Heart Health Day set in Columbus

The Texas Department of Health will hold a free Heart Health Day Wednesday, Dec. 8, from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. at 514 Washington St., Columbus. Blood pressure, cholesterol checks, weight and height checks, nutrition counseling and healthy snacks will be part of the day. Participants should not eat, drink nor chew gum for 9 to 12 hours before the clinic.

ACE, LCRA win...

Tricil gives up fight

Two and one-half years after presenting their plan to include hazardous waste at the Altair Landfill, Tricil has given up the fight.

In a Nov. 19 letter to the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC), the company stated it had decided to handle its nonhazardous waste at the Altair site. This follows a diligent fight put up by Colorado and surrounding counties, the Alliance for a Clean Environment (ACE) and the Lower Colorado River Authority (LCRA) which included a Travis County District Court decision last Feb. preventing Tricil from expanding the landfill without going through the permitting process.

Those opposing the expansion won a major victory when the district court decision which became final when Tricil decided not to appeal.

In the Feb. hearing, Travis County District Judge John Dietz upheld a July 8, 1992, ruling by the Texas Water Commission (TWC) which prevented Tricil from expanding its Colorado County landfill to accept hazardous waste on property adjacent to its existing dump without going through the permitting process.

Tricil appealed the TWC's decision to district court, first attempting to obtain a preliminary injunction at a hearing held July 30, 1992. At that hearing, Tricil sought to prevent enforcement of the TWC's order. ACE, LCRA and TWC successfully de-

feated the request for an injunction.

In the Feb. 4 hearing, Tricil again sought to overturn the TWC July 8 order, this time by way of an administrative appeal. ACE and LCRA attorneys assisted the Texas Attorney General in successfully defending the TWC order.

Judge Dietz ruled that the TWC's order was not invalid, arbitrary or unreasonable. He further ruled that the order was consistent with the legislative intent of a new Texas law enacted in 1991 which provided for greater public input in landfill siting decisions. The judge's ruling that the order

(See Tricil, Page 10)

New County Agriculture facility planned

The site for a new agricultural complex for Colorado County is to be located on Interstate Highway 10 at Farm-to-Market Road 2434 west of Columbus. The proposed complex which will include a county fair-

grounds, was unveiled Thursday, Nov. 23, in Columbus.

The complex is the result of over six months of work by a steering committee composed of members from all parts of Colorado County.

This committee had been formed to find land that could be used by the county's citizens for agriculture related interests and events. After reviewing numerous tracts around the county, the committee decided on land owned by Columbus State Bank along IH-10 at the intersection of FM 2434.

The committee and bank agreed the bank would donate approximately 35 acres of land for the complex if countywide support for the project could raise a minimum of \$250,000 to help pay for the initial improvements that such a facility would require.

The complex is to be used for the Colorado County Fair, youth agricultural activities such as 4-H and FFA.

(See Complex, Page 4)

Pied Piper coming to town

Not only will Santa Claus be coming to town next weekend, but the Pied Piper will also give three performances.

The Prairie Edge Juniors will present their next production, *The Pied Piper of Hamelin*, on Dec. 3, 4 and 5 in Eagle Lake.

An exciting version of the Pied Piper story, this production will have some 55 children, ages five to 15, performing on stage at the Prairie Edge Museum.

There are four toe-tapping numbers, a cat, lots and lots of rats, corruption, heroism and a few twists to keep the audience on the edge of their seats.

Everyone is invited to come see a great entertainment and support the PJs. Regular tickets are \$1.50 for adults and 50¢ for children under 16 and are available at the door.

Performances are Friday, Dec. 3 at 7 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 4 and 5 at 4 p.m.

The Saturday performance will be followed by the arrival of Santa Claus in the Lighted Christmas Parade through Eagle Lake.

Home Tour to offer peek at 'A Small Town Christmas'

A Christmas tour of homes is scheduled in Eagle Lake, Dec. 11, from 1-6 p.m. The Eagle Lake Homes Tour is sponsored by the Eagle Lake Community Hospital Employee Trust Fund. All proceeds from the event will go into the trust fund to be used for the hospital.

The homes tour is titled "A Small Town Christmas" and features six stops. There are three private homes and three historic buildings that house businesses for visitors to see. All will be decked out in their holiday finery to help raise funds for the hospital.

Tickets for the home tour are on sale for \$6 each. Santa Claus is scheduled to be among the many things to see on the tour. Children are reminded to watch for him.

The first of the homes open for the public to enjoy will be the Steve and Linda Balas home at 612 Melody Lane. This street features beautiful Christmas lighting decorations each year.

Their house is decked out in a traditional Christmas theme. Be sure to look for the manger scenes in every room. The dining table welcomes tour guests as it is invitingly set for Christmas dinner.

The Farris 1912