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To The Editor & You

Town Meeting set for Thursday, June 16

From the Mayor:
Thursday, June 16, at 7 p.m. at the Eagle Lake Middle School cafeteria, we will hold a town meeting.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the possibility of Eagle Lake making a bid to be chosen as a location for the construction of a state correctional facility.

The City was unsuccessful in our efforts in 1989, but I feel we can learn from those efforts and make adjustments to our proposal to increase our chances this time.

I will propose to Council that the City of Eagle Lake, in conjunction with the Eagle Lake Industrial Foundation, hire the services of Adams and Zontarelli, a government relations firm, and TMS Group Inc., a consulting firm, to guide and assist us in our efforts.

These two firms come highly recommended and have an excellent success rate in the area of helping municipalities and counties locate correctional facilities in their area. I feel that this move would greatly increase our chances.

The declining economy the City is experiencing, and has for some time, is one of my major concerns. The economic "boost" a correctional facility of some type would bring through new jobs, new people locating here, developments to complement the facility, etc., will definitely move Eagle Lake in a positive direction.

I hope to see you at the meeting next Thursday.

Robby Cook
Mayor of Eagle Lake

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Texas Medicaid costs to triple by '95

State and federal costs of Medicaid health insurance are projected to triple from 1990 to 1995, from \$3.3 billion to \$9.7 billion, making it the fastest growing part of the state budget.

Spending on Medicaid, which provides care for about 2.3 million indigent and uninsured Texans over age 65, has increased at twice the rate of spending on prisons and four times the rate of spending on public schools according to Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock. Bullock called a meeting of the Senate Committee on Health and Human Services, last week.

State Capitol Highlights

By Lyndell Williams and Ed Sterling
Texas Press Association

State Medicaid director DeAnn Friedholm told the committee the state spent 10.4% (\$2.5 billion) of the general fund on Medicaid in 1993.

Federal funding cuts for Texas Medicaid soon will add to the state's financial burden. Friedholm said costs are expected to take away from \$160 to \$225 million each year from the program, beginning in 1995. In order to receive the federal funding, the state must comply with federal Medicaid mandates, more and more of which are unfunded.

Those unfunded federal mandates have grown from 42% in 1988 to 72% in 1994, she said.

Also driving up spending on Medicaid, according to Friedholm and Sen. Carlos Truan, D-Corpus Christi, is that Medicaid patients often resort to high cost emergency room treatment for non-emergency services because doctors refuse to treat them.

Medicaid reimburses doctors at about 47% of the rate paid by private sector health insurance.

enough to prevent the death of 15 year old Eric Krause of Austin.

Krause's family reported to Austin police each time the boy was followed or threatened by Dennis Ray Queen, 28, the man who was arrested and charged with the shooting. The same week he allegedly shot Krause, Queen was released from jail on a \$200 deposit bond, on stalking charges.

State Sen. Mike Moncrief, D-Fort Worth, authored the 1993 anti-stalking law. The case has prompted Sen. Moncrief and Austin police Sgt. Dusty Hesskow to propose toughening the statute in the biennial legislative session which convenes in Jan. 1995.

"The law we passed on anti-stalking is not perfect. Our statute is working the way it was designed to work," Moncrief said. According to the Austin American Statesman, Moncrief has proposed removing the provision in the current law that requires a previous report of stalking before police can make an arrest.

Moncrief also suggested notifying victims when a stalker is released on bond, violates bond or is scheduled to be released from prison. Revising the law could allow judges to set higher bond.

Hesskow recommended making stalking a victim under 17 years of age an automatic third degree felony. Under the current law, a first stalking offense is a Class A misdemeanor; a second offense is a third degree felony.

Teresa Doggett May Quit Race

Teresa Doggett, the GOP nominee for state comptroller, said last week she is considering dropping out of the race because of turmoil in the state Republican Party.

In a telephone interview with the Dallas Morning News, Doggett expressed frustration over the internal squabbling among the moderates and conservatives in the party.

"I did talk to some people about dropping out of the race," Doggett said. But she added, "I'm just not a quitter."

Miss Sandra Kloss, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. A. Kloss, was married to Mack Emmett Botard, son of Mr. & Mrs. Lee Botard, on Sept. 6 in Sheridan, Texas.

Mr. & Mrs. Elmer Larsen, former Sandra Green of Columbus, was honored with a bridal shower at the Rock Island home of Mrs. Pete Eaton.

Miss Wanda Lynn Smith and Samuel E. Center exchanged vows Aug. 23. She is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Smith of Eagle Lake.

Mr. & Mrs. Henry (Frances) Huvar of Garwood passed away Sept. 9 after an extended illness.

The Garwood Gars topped Sheridan in their first football game of the year... Miss Candy Farris, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. William L. Farris, told the Rotary Club about her summer of study in Spain.

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L.B. Willis, son of Mrs. J.H. Willis of Chesterville, was discharged Jan. 15 in Washington, D.C. He is a veteran of five years military service... Victor Valdez of Eagle Lake was to receive his Army discharge at Ft. Lewis Washington.

The Eagles entered the cage tournament at Brenham last week, defeating Walter and La Grange to win second place... Bert Larner was high point man in the first game and (See 24 & 48, Page 4)

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COLORADO COUNTY COURTHOUSE REPORT

DEEDS

Deed: Alfred Kimpfle, et ux to Joe Bruce Hancock Jr., tract known as Lot No. 10 and 11, Block No. 57, of H.B. & T. Survey-10, Abstract No. 908; filed 4-4-94.

Deed: Luci Janita Corbido to Jose E. Melendez, et ux, Lot No. 10, Block No. 2, and Lot No. 11, 12 and 13, Sempere Addition, City of Eagle Lake; 4-6-94.

Deed: Alberta Nowell, etvtr to Mighty Mite Inc., 5 acres in Provident Land Tract; 4-6-94.

Deed: Richard L. Holcom, et ux to Mighty Mite Inc., 5 acres in Provident Land Tract; 4-6-94.

Gift Deed: Alois J. Henneke, et ux to Alois E. Henneke, et al, 192.63 acres of the Peter Piper League, Abstract No. 447; 4-6-94.

Deed: Robert G. McCandless to McCandless Family Trust, 180 acres Colorado County; 4-6-94.

Deed: Robert G. McCandless to McCandless Family Trust, 2 tracts in Colorado County; 4-6-94.

Deed: McCandless Family Trust to Blue Chip Realty, Ltd., 2 tracts in Colorado County; 4-6-94.

Deed: McCandless Family Trust to Blue Chip Realty, Ltd., 171.445 acres in the Thomas Boatright Survey, et al; 4-6-94.

Deed: Joe Hernandez Jr., et al to Eddie M. Williams, Lot No. 9, Glen Meadows Subdivision City of Eagle Lake, part of Patrick Reits Survey, Abstract No. 475; 4-6-94.

Deed: Virgie Lange Williamson to Thomas H. and Barbara S. Balze, 120.826 acres, part of Benjamin Beason Survey, Abstract No. 5 and Myles Kean Survey, Abstract No. 371; 4-6-94.

Deed: John O. Terrell Jr., et ux to James William Kennedy Jr., 111.932 acres in the Charles Brast Survey, Abstract No. 133 and J. Ramon Survey, Abstract No. 832; 4-6-94.

Deed: Walter Frederick Schoellmann, et al to Rev. Edward R. Schoellmann, 4.71 acres in the J.S. Evans League, Abstract No. 22; 4-6-94.

Deed: Alice Sans to Jo Ann Vasut, 37.243 acres of the James E. Holt Survey, Abstract No. 340; 4-7-94.

Deed: Karl E. Hill, et ux to Alton A. Novasod, et ux, 1.1434 acres of the W.B. Deves Survey, Abstract No. 18; 4-7-94.

Deed: Isaac Arnold Jr., Sheriff Trust Company and Meredith J. Long, trustees of the John Cavanaugh O'Leary Jr. 1953-A Trust to John Cavanaugh O'Leary Jr., tracts in the A. Beason Survey, et al; 4-7-94.

Deed: P.D. Gertson Jr., Trustee, et al to Robert James Gertson, und. int. in 160 acres of the G.H. & H.R.R. Co. Survey No. 28; 4-8-94.

Deed: Ralph L. Huey to George McGehee, int. in Royalty, Etc.; 4-8-94.

Deed: Marguerite B. Nicholas to George McGehee, int. in Royalty, Etc.; 4-8-94.

Gift Deed: Rosie Evankovitch to Dorothy Mae Evankovitch Novasod, et al, int. in 5 tracts of the Peter Piper League; 4-11-94.

OIL, GAS & MINERAL LEASES
Thomas R. Zoellner to Enron Oil & Gas Company, 219.62 acres, part of Johnson and Stafford Survey, Section 6, Abstract No. 719; 4-6-94.

Porter P. Parris, Ind. Exec. of the estate of Marjorie Parris Stuart, to Enron Oil & Gas Company, 200.0 acres, S.A. & M.G. R.R. Co. Survey, No. 7, Abstract No. A-529; 4-6-94.

William Henry Brenton, et al to Enron Oil & Gas Company, 238.01 acres, part of Johnson and Stafford Survey (S.A. & M.G. R.R. Co. Survey, No. 7) Abstract No. 719; 4-6-94.

A.L. Miller Jr. et ux to Esenjay Petroleum Corp., 80.0 acres of the Richard Dowdy Survey, Abstract No. 163; 4-11-94.

Edward Lee Miller et ux to Esenjay Petroleum Corp., 80.0 acres of the Richard Dowdy Survey, Abstract No. 163; 4-11-94.

COUNTY COURT CASES FILED
Gary Randall Barnes, Bellaire, driving while intoxicated (DWI); 5-27-94.
Glynn Wesley Hopkins, Houston, DWI; 5-27-94.
Jack Beasley, Houston, criminal trespass; 5-27-94.
Diane Elizabeth Marcucci, Austin, possession of marijuana under 2 oz.; 5-27-94.
Julian Rodriguez, Eagle Lake, DWI; 5-27-94.
Martin Arnold Ledezma, Eagle Lake, fleeing; 5-27-94.
Timothée Thibodeaux, Flatonia, resisting arrest; 5-27-94.
Samuel Curtis, Houston, Possession of marijuana under 2 oz.; 5-27-94.
David Ray Thompson, Schulenburg, unlawfully carrying a weapon; 5-27-94.
Donnie Franklin Sufocak, Cat Spring, DWI; 5-27-94.
Brenda Rodriguez, Houston, DWI; 5-27-94.



Fajkus retires from middle school

With the close of the 1993-94 school year, Annette Fajkus, pictured above, also closed her career with the Eagle Lake Middle School.

Fajkus began working in 1979 and completed 15 years as a Chapter 1 reading and math aide and tutor this spring.

The staff at ELMS honored her May 26 on her retirement with a reception and gift.

Principal Tony Jackson, on behalf of the staff, presented her with a silk flower arrangement enhanced with artfully folded currency of varying denominations.

They also gave her a mixed floral bouquet.

Fajkus told her fellow workers, "You are a great group of hard working, caring individuals. It has been a pleasure to be associated with you and

with the retired and transferred employees with whom I worked, as well."

She encouraged her students to "hang in there, take pride in yourselves and your work."

Fajkus said she had not made specific plans for her retirement. Her husband, Jerry, retired last year. They may travel or just take life easy for awhile, she stated.

Sheridan News

By Janet Dupré

The Sheridan Memorial Library received a check from the Shell Oil Company Foundation for \$500 to be used for purchasing large print books.

Billy Lynn Radloff, Staff External Affairs Representative from Houston, and John Sefcik from Shell Western E & P in Sheridan presented Librarian, Lillian Gohlke, with the check.

The Friends of the Library have 19 members now. Last week the Charter members of the group were listed. The two new members are Martha Polach and Jen Peterson.

Your help is so greatly appreciated, so please support the library and library functions by joining this support group. Membership is only \$5 per person and a new Polaroid camera has been purchased for use in library activities.

"Familiar Faces... Faraway Places" is the theme for the summer reading program, scheduled to begin on Wednesday, June 15, at 2 p.m. Beverly Houser will serve as program director, assisted by Jen Peterson. Be sure to give them a call if you have any questions.

Charles DeShazo of Huntsville visited with Bill and Lillian Gohlke this past week. And Tricia Broussard, currently living in Louisiana, visited with Warren and Janet Dupré week-end before last. Did someone special come to see you, let me know?

Enjoying the Memorial Day weekend in Cost with Jean and Zeldia Walker were Lois and Eddie Ray Taylor, Irene and Willard Hagendorf, Earlene and Albert Botard, Bill and Lillian Gohlke, Tony and Tammy Wied and sons Ladd and Bruce, Traylor Walker, and Jimmy and Carolyn Brisco and Isam and Nerissa.

The Sheridan Go-Getters Extension Homemakers report that Marion Bozarth from ESCO Distributors Inc. will be the guest speaker at their next meeting, on Tuesday, June 14. Bozarth, from Houston, is a specialist in lawn and garden supply. Jeanne McClain says he is a really good speaker and informative on his topic of discussion.

The public is invited to this function that will begin at 12:30 at the Sheridan Community Center. After the speaker, there will be a regular monthly meeting.

Red Cross classes will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday, June 14 and 15. There will be instruction in C.P.R. and basic first aid, including bandaging and splinting. It is very important

Eagle Lake Community Hospital Patients

The Eagle Lake Community Hospital reports the following admissions and discharges as of May 29.

ADMISSIONS
Eagle Lake: Letha Henneke.

DISMISSALS
Eagle Lake: Janelle Miller, Edna Fouts, Doris Thomas, Graciela Navarro & Baby Boy, Lorrie Sanchez, Locario Cordova, El Campo; Stephanie Lee & Baby Girl; Weimar; Patricia Christen; Nada; Raymond Labay; Columbus: Irene Woodward.



that everyone be prepared in any kind of emergency situation and this would be an excellent way to prepare yourself. This two day class will be held at the Sheridan Community Center. Contact Helene Mieth for more information.

It's not too late to turn in your registration for meal tickets for the Sheridan Community Reunion sponsored by the Sheridan Lions Club. Staff Food Service Inc. from El Campo will be catering the Saturday meals and a head count needs to be turned in no later than June 24.

The menu for Saturday lunch is chicken fried steak and gravy, cole slaw, green beans, rice, bread and tea. Saturday supper is roast and gravy, potatoes, corn, salad, and tea. Each meal is only \$5 per person.

Sunday breakfast will be sausage and bacon, scrambled eggs, biscuits (with jelly and honey) coffee, and orange juice for only \$4 per person.

After the noon meal there will be a memorial service, a short program with introductions and some special entertainment. Don't miss out, it's going to be fun.

Tuesday, May 31, the Sheridan Lions Club held their installation of officers.

Incoming officers for the year will be: President Fred Graham, Secretary Reggie Brisco, Treasurer David Fuller, First Vice-President Wayne Dupré, 2nd Vice-President James

Charles Garrett extends a personal invitation to all his friends and acquaintances in the area to come celebrate the... Grand Opening of

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Charles joined the staff at Columbus Ford-Mercury in May. He was formerly the area manager for Central Power & Light in Eagle Lake, Columbus, Garwood, Nada, Glidden and Alleyton.

'Thank you for the coverage'

Dear Editor:
Thank you for the coverage of the 1994 graduation of Rice High School. As principal of Rice, I have discovered that the parents of the students enjoy the positive news of the school. There is much to be said about the positive activities of the students as the student body is an outstanding group of people.

I would like to add that the coverage that you have given us for the entire year has been appreciated. We are looking forward to an exciting year for 1994-95.

The staff has worked hard to bring new courses and additional training for the students so they can leave the school ready for a world that is steeped in technology and knowledge.

I invite you to watch us next year as we grow and learn.

Thank you again for joining us in celebrating the successes we enjoy!

Sincerely,
Barbara F. Williams, Ed.D.
Principal, Rice High School

Writer wants drought humor

Dear Editor:
From 1950 to 1957 Texans in all walks of life experienced the worst drought in the state's history, a phenomenon whose effects surpassed those of even the Great Depression and Dustbowl. For the past seven years, while completing my masters and doctoral degrees, I have studied those years and have increasingly come to appreciate the unique ability of Texans to cope with such environmental disasters.

Our best coping mechanism is laughter. Growing up in Junction, Texas, on the edge of the Hill Country, I've heard the stories that circulate the local cafes, feed stores, race tracks and rodeo arenas. Where ever Texans

gather, someone has a joke. The laughter those jokes bring helps us deal with life in a state where extremes of climate are the norm.

Now I'm collecting drought humor to preserve this special aspect of Texas character and culture. I'm asking your readers to help by sharing their own drought jokes and real life anecdotes. All contributors and localities will be acknowledged.

Please send your stories to Dr. Rana K. Williamson, 5708 Remington Cr. #2704, Fort Worth, TX 76132. Thank you and keep praying for rain.

Rana K. Williamson

Bible Verse of the Week

"The word of the Lord is right; And all His works are done in truth" Psalm 33:4

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

Eagle coach is Ed Waggoner... William Lloyd Spallinger was named the Southwest Life Ins. district man of the month for sales... Mrs. Johnnie Havens reports several new books at the library... Eagle Lake mayor purchased the first turtle for the Lion's Club Carnival big turtle race set Oct. 1...

Joe Reed and Charles Boggess are showing the new '70 Cadillac, Olds and Chevrolets at Lake Motors' showroom... Universal Motors is to have their 1970 Ford and Mercury in this week, announced S.S. Sinclair...

Mr. & Mrs. Billy Hefner honored her parents, Mr. & Mrs. W.A. Stallman, with a 50th anniversary party Sept. 9th... Mrs. G.M. Cason hosted the Garden Club tea to open the

club year... Miss Sandra Kloss, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. A. Kloss, was married to Mack Emmett Botard, son of Mr. & Mrs. Lee Botard, on Sept. 6 in Sheridan, Texas... Mr. & Mrs. Elmer Larsen, former Sandra Green of Columbus, was honored with a bridal shower at the Rock Island home of Mrs. Pete Eaton... Miss Wanda Lynn Smith and Samuel E. Center exchanged vows Aug. 23. She is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Smith of Eagle Lake... Mr. & Mrs. Henry (Frances) Huvar of Garwood passed away Sept. 9 after an extended illness... The Garwood Gars topped Sheridan in their first football game of the year... Miss Candy Farris, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. William L. Farris, told the Rotary Club about her summer of study in Spain... Mr. & Mrs. L.B. Botard observed their 55th anniversary Sunday, Aug. 17th...

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