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This Old House honored with picture

A picture of the original owner was presented to Judy Cooper, the current owner of This Old House, 502 N. McCarty, by Dorothy Elkins Cox. The house is the second oldest house still standing in Eagle Lake. Cox is a descendant of the Thatcher and Montgomery families.

Cooper has a craft and gift shop in the home that was originally built by Mildred "Miss Milly" Thatcher in the 1880s.

Miss Milly was born in 1853 on the Thatcher plantation about six miles south of Eagle Lake. As she grew up, she was taught by tutors before attending Ursuline Academy in Galveston.

She was a member of Christ Episcopal Church and, upon her death, the house she owned on State Street was given to the church for a parsonage. The old home place on McCarty St. was sold.

Miss Milly was a member of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas. Daughters of the Confederacy and the Eastern Star.

In her memory, a stained glass window is in Christ Episcopal Church.

The last Saturday in June the de-



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scendants of the Thatcher and Montgomery families meet at Christ Church for an all day reunion and visit to the restored family cemetery.

Colorado-Fayette Medical Center buys Schulenburg clinic

The board of trustees of the Colorado-Fayette Medical Center (CFMC) announced acquisition of the Medical Associates Clinic in Schulenburg on May 23.

This represents the hospital's commitment to create a coordinated network of health care services throughout Colorado, Lavaca and Fayette counties. It reflects the trustees' intent to provide the health care without the subsidy of a tax district, according to Randy Bacus, administrator of the CFMC.

The hospital's immediate plans are for the Medical Associates Clinic to be certified by Medicare as a hospital-based rural health clinic. The certification will allow the clinic to be operated as a hospital department.

The acquisition marks the conclusion of 18 months of negotiations between hospital board, clinic and team of attorneys, accountants and bankers.

Bacus said, "CFMC is preparing for the changes that health care reform

and managed care are sure to bring by creating its own local health care network. The hospital will now own and operate rural health clinics in Schulenburg, Flatonia and Parkview Manor Nursing Home in Weimar."

The agreement was signed in late May and the legal transfer of assets should take place within six weeks according to their spokesman. When the transition is completed, the name will be changed to Schulenburg Community Clinic.



'Familiar faces... faraway places' Family faces Laura Matthey shows her collectibles from faraway places to children at the Winterrman Library Wednesday afternoon. Pictured are summer employees Tray Kuchera and Robyn Rucka with Guillermo Lopez, Francisco Najera and Nancy Holguin.

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Town meeting tonight!

Don't forget, there is a town meeting a location for the construction of a state or scheduled for 7 p.m. Thursday night at the privately owned correctional facility. Eagle Lake Middle School cafeteria. No matter what your opinion is on the subject, your attendance is very important! Be there!

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Henske addresses Rice trustees on school discipline

By Lynda Appelt Contributing Writer Action by the Rice Consolidated Independent School District board of trustees resulted in an address by Penny Henske concerning discipline in the district being heard in executive session on Monday night.

That left the large audience which was present unable to hear Henske's remarks.

Henske began her address by stating to the board her concerns about discipline in the district, particularly at the Eagle Lake Middle School, a problem she has become very aware of as a substitute teacher.

She expressed concern for the teacher trying to teach and the students who are trying to learn.

Incidents of abusive language by students, students telling teachers they don't have to listen or do what they're told, physical abuse and other defiant acts were cited by Henske.

A reference was made to how these incidents are being resolved by administrators which, according to Henske, is "sending a message to students that nothing will be done."

Board president Melody Grigar, under the advice of Superintendent Dr. Carolyn McGaughey, declared the meeting closed under complaint against personnel. The address continued in executive session with the

board, Eagle Lake Middle School Principal Tony Jackson, instructional facilitator Dr. Cynthia Saha and Henske present.

Upon reconvening in open session, Henske was referred to local board policy concerning procedures for filing a formal complaint.

District results of the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS) for the tests administered in spring 1993, as mandated by the state, to students in grades three through eight and grade 10 were reviewed by McGaughey.

According to McGaughey, overall district scores are up with math showing a weakness. This resulted in all campuses having been given acceptable accreditation ratings for 1994.

Individual campus TAAS results with strategies for improvement in the weak areas were outlined by individual campus administrators.

"We are encouraged by the results of our test districtwide, especially the significant growth in the area of reading. We've got to zero in on math, but

we're getting there," said McGaughey.

The board accepted resignations from Rice High School teacher-coach Gary Epps, Sheridan second grade teacher Cheryl Leopold and Eagle Lake Primary School bilingual teacher Yolanda Perez.

Employment was approved for Dana Fudge to teach at Sheridan and Jennifer and James Hansen at Eagle Lake Middle School and Rice High School, respectively.

The board approved McGaughey's participation, if she is selected, in a Superintendent's Leadership Academy on a 4-2 vote. Board members Madison Smith and Laurel Milenz cast the dissenting votes. Sam Center was not present.

McGaughey requested attendance at the academy as an opportunity she would like to take advantage of.

Participation would require McGaughey to be out of her office 23 days in addition to all other days when the necessity to be gone arises.

"I realize it is an opportunity for you, but 23 days out of the superintendent's office makes it objectionable for me," said Smith.

Academy participants are expected to attend five three-day sessions at Lamar University campus in Beaumont, a five-day session at IBM's Advanced Training Center in Palisades, N.Y., and a three-day conference of superintendents along with their board members in June 1995.

Grigar pointed out that the knowledge brought back would be beneficial to the district.

The superintendent will be responsible for all room, meal and travel costs for academy activities in Texas. The academy will provide costs for the training and New York trip.

Jack Vawter will serve as chairman for the Employee Salary and Benefits Committee. The Budget Committee will be chaired by Grigar and Fritz Leopold will serve as Facilities Committee chairman. Center was appointed to chair the Curriculum and Instruction Committee.

Jim Wiese will continue to act as liaison between the board and attorneys involved in the litigation suit concerning the Eagle Lake Primary School structure.

In other business, the board: •Presented traditional plaques to outgoing board members Kate Labay and Reggie Briscoe;

•Presented a plaque to outgoing board president Wiese which, according to Grigar, begins a new tradition;

•Presented certificates to Rice High School Principal Dr. Barbara Williams and counselor Joe Wendel for outstanding efforts in securing scholarships totaling in excess of \$175,000 for RHS seniors;

•Amended the 1994-95 calendar by moving the Jan. 13 in-service and student holiday to Oct. 11;

•Approved a contract for transportation with St. Mary's School in Nada for \$250 per month;

•Approved Region III Cooperative Rescheduled; the July board meeting from July 11 to July 18; and

•Set a budget workshop for Thursday, July 7.

Hallettsville parish to celebrate June 12

The parish of St. Mary's Catholic Church in Hallettsville will celebrate June 12 with their annual picnic.

One of the oldest rural parishes in Texas, St. Mary's is located 1.5 miles west of U.S. 90A on FM 340.

The picnic day activities begin at 9:15 a.m. with a mass. A meal featuring the special St. Mary's stew and sausage with trimmings will be served from 10:30 a.m. The meal will cost \$4

for adults and \$2.50 for children. An antique auction will begin at 1:30 p.m. with quilts, arts and crafts and livestock among the auction items. A country store will offer crafts, canned goods, fresh produce and homemade goods.

Live entertainment is scheduled throughout the afternoon and evening under the shade trees at the picnic grounds from noon to 10 p.m. The

Shiner Hobo Band, Hermann Sons Clogging Dancers and Moravia Czech Singers are on the agenda as well as New Edition and Southern Express.

Games, cake walk, fish pond and train rides will be offered along with cold drinks, snowcones and other foods. Everyone in the area is invited.

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Police report

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Investigation. June 2, Sgt. Clem Johnson was dispatched to Maple St. to investigate a report of a theft which occurred the previous night.

Sgt. Johnson was dispatched to Glen Meadows June 3 at 4 a.m. in response to a report of a prowler. The suspect was located.

Officer Brian Davis is investigating an incident of criminal mischief

which occurred June 3 at 9:59 p.m. at Dan's Minute Shop. There is a suspect in the case.

June 4 at 12:58 a.m., Sgt. Johnson responded to a report of a possible intoxicated driver. No suspect was located.

June 5 at 7:23 p.m., Officer Davis was dispatched to a disturbance on E. Street. A subject was arrested for family violence assault.

stranded motorist on Dee Allen Rd. at 11:08 p.m.

Sunday, June 5, at 12:02 a.m., Deputy Stavinocha assisted a stranded motorist at the Blue Goose in Altair.

Deputy Peters assisted the Weimar Police at Roadside Market at 12:45 a.m. and then at Weimar Hall.

Deputy Neisner received a report of a class C family violence and criminal mischief incident in Oakland at 1:10 a.m.

At 1:24 a.m., Deputy Parcell responded to an alarm on Weishahn Rd. in New Ulm.

At 7:03 a.m., Deputy Stavinocha received a report of a reckless driver on IH-10, five miles east of Columbus. At 8:03, he gave a courtesy transport.

At 9:06 a.m., Deputy Neisner received a call in reference to a broken window in a car in Alleyton.

At 10:24 a.m., Deputy Neisner transported a prisoner to Columbus Community Hospital and at 10:56 took the prisoner back to jail.

All Columbus FFA members planning to exhibit turkeys at the Columbus FFA Show, Houston or San Antonio show in 1994-95, must order their turkeys with Mr. Wiese or Mr. Lux by June 28. Poultry orders will be taken June 21 or 28 at the Ag. Building. Poultry are \$3.25 each. For complete information call 409-732-5746.

This month's city and county sales tax rebates include taxes collected on April sales and reported to the Comptroller in May by businesses filing monthly tax returns.

(See Sales Tax, Page 12)

Sheriffs report

Sgt. Lattimore investigated a criminal mischief case on Reese Lane at 6:13 p.m.

He responded to a report of a threat on Hwy. 90 near McCoy's at 7:14 p.m.

At 9:30 p.m., he assisted a stranded motorist on Zimmerman Road.

Thursday, June 2, Lt. Wied responded to an alarm in Matthews, FM 102 and US 90 west, at 7:24 a.m.

At 6:37 a.m., Deputy Jim Parcell assisted an 18 wheeler on the Hwy. 71 bypass.

Sgt. Frederick transferred a prisoner from Harris County at 11:48 a.m.

At 12:10 p.m., Sgt. Lattimore investigated an incident of terroristic threat and trespassing on Ave. C and 7th St. in Sheridan. He received a call in reference to shooting across the roadway in Sheridan at 12:18.

At 6:37 p.m., Sgt. Lattimore responded to an alarm at the Nada Grocery. Sheriff Esterling served a criminal subpoena.

At 9:04 p.m., Sgt. Lattimore delivered a death message on Hwy. 71. At 9:13 he responded to a report of reckless driver in Rock Island; and at 10:22 Sgt. Lattimore and Deputy Troy Neisner made a security check at Schneider's.

Deputy Neisner responded to a report of loud noise on 5th and Brazos in Glidden at 11:18 p.m.

Friday, June 3, Deputy Parcell and Sgt. Frederick assisted the DPS with numerous accidents on IH-10 at about 9:20 a.m.

At 2:10 p.m., Deputy Parcell responded to a report of a person slumped over the steering wheel on Hwy. 90 in Glidden.

Sgt. Frederick investigated a burglary of a habitation in Alleyton on Hadden St. The case remains open.

At 9:52 p.m., Deputy Gary Stavinocha arrested a subject for outstanding DPS warrants at Columbus Oaks Apts. in the parking lot.

Deputy Peters assisted the DPS at IH-10 with an accident at 2:56 a.m.

At 3:20 a.m., he arrested a subject for driving while intoxicated and failure to yield right of way at a stop sign in Columbus.

Deputy Stavinocha investigated a report of a harassing phone call in Sheridan at 7 a.m. At 8:57 a.m., he received a call reporting property damage to a fence at Calhoun Road and FM 102 south.

At 8:15 a.m., Deputy Wilburn checked on a suspicious vehicle on Hwy. 90A.

Deputy LaCourse checked on a suspicious vehicle on Hatterman's Lane at 8:59 a.m. and at 11:05 he transported a mental patient.

Deputy Stavinocha received a report of a dog bite in Eagle Lake at 9 a.m.

At 11:05 a.m., Deputy Wilburn received a report of a reckless driver on IH-10 at the 698 mile marker. He assisted a motorist near the IH-10 rest area at 11:44 a.m.

At 12:08 p.m., Deputy Wilburn investigated a mental health incident on Henry St. in Sheridan. The case was turned over to Riceland.

At 7:28 p.m., Deputy Stavinocha spoke with a complainant from Calhoun Road at FM 102. At 8:55 p.m. he did a security check in Oakland.

At 9 p.m., Deputy Stavinocha investigated a dog bite case in the Eagle Lake area.

Deputy Peters responded to a report of assault, family violence, terroristic threat and criminal mischief class B at the Columbus Oaks Apts. at 9:53 p.m.

At 10:30 p.m., Deputy Peters received a report of missing cattle and at 10:42 p.m. he gave a courtesy transport.

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Sales tax collections take a nose-dive

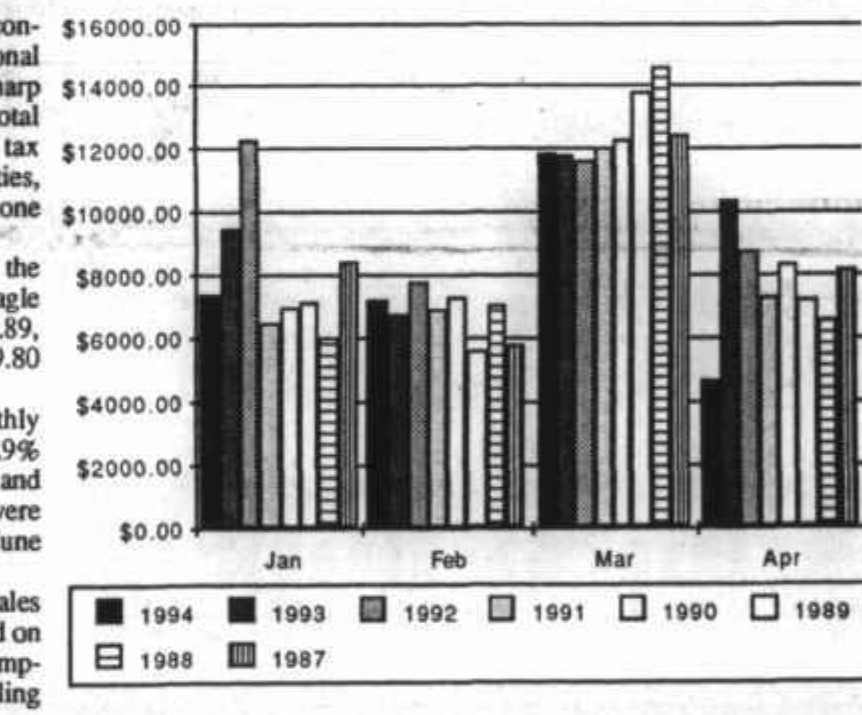
"The upswing in the Texas economy continues to outpace national trends," State Comptroller John Sharp said last week, as he delivered a total of \$115.4 million in June sales tax rebates to 899 cities and 111 counties, a 5.5% increase over payments of one year ago.

Contradicting that quote was the check received by the City of Eagle Lake in the amount of \$4,653.89, down 54.85% from the \$10,309.80 received last June.

Texas cities received monthly sales tax rebates of \$10 million, 5.9% above the \$98.1 million last June and county rebates of \$11.4 million were 1.8% above the \$11.2 million of June 1993.

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Native plant field trip Saturday

The Columbus Chapter of the Native Plant Society will have a field trip Saturday, June 18. Members are to be at the E.J. Bailey house for the tour promptly at 9 a.m. dressed in long trousers and sturdy shoes for walking in the woods. Will Fleming, native plant expert, will conduct the tour, which will conclude at noon, at Wildflower Hill. Guests are welcome. Call 409-732-5058 for information.

Bible School starts June 20

The week of June 20-24 is the community Vacation Bible School for all children ages four through sixth grade. They are invited to attend the fun filled week of storytelling and other activities to learn more about Jesus. "Beneath the Storytelling Tree: Parables Jesus Told" is the theme. VBS will be 9 a.m. to 12 at the United Methodist Church. Registration is \$2. Contact Anna Gertson at 234-2200 or Laurel Milenz at 234-2339.

Little League coaches to play Thursday

The Eagle Lake Little League coaches game is scheduled for Thursday, June 23, at 7 p.m. It will be played at the Little League field. Contact Wayne Bowen at Johnny's Sport Shop for more information.

Turkey order deadline nears

All Columbus FFA members planning to exhibit turkeys at the Columbus FFA Show, Houston or San Antonio show in 1994-95, must order their turkeys with Mr. Wiese or Mr. Lux by June 28. Poultry orders will be taken June 21 or 28 at the Ag. Building. Poultry are \$3.25 each. For complete information call 409-732-5746.

Jail ground breaking is Wednesday

The official ground breaking ceremony for the new Colorado County jail will be held Wednesday, June 22, at 10 a.m. The new jail is to be built at U.S. 90 west of Columbus. The public is invited to attend the ceremony to be held at that site.

CCA board to meet

The Combined Community Action Inc. board of trustees will meet Thursday, June 23, at 7 p.m. for their monthly meeting. The public is invited to attend the meeting at the CCA Center, 275 Ellinger Road in La Grange.

Class of 1964 has reunion

The Eagle Lake High School class of 1964 will celebrate their 30 year reunion Saturday, June 25, at Sportsman's Catering Center beginning at 6 p.m. with an hors d'oeuvres buffet. The cost is \$12 and reservations should be made to Ronnie Miller, 1303 Edgebrook Dr., El Campo, TX 77437 or to Steve Balas at Eagle Lake Drugstore.

Lissie Methodists plan ice cream and singing

The Lissie United Methodist Church and Pastor Rev. Sandra Kimbrow invite everyone in the community to join them for an ice cream social Sunday, June 26, at 5:30 p.m. Following the social they will host a community hymn singing service at 6:30 p.m. Mark Anderson will lead the singing and there will also be special music.

Food to be given June 27

The Combined Community Action Inc. will distribute surplus food Monday, June 27, in Eagle Lake at Providence Baptist Church, 11:30 a.m. to 12. Food will be given out at Weimar City Hall from 10 to 10:30 a.m. and at Columbus CCA center from 1:30 to 2 p.m.

Program set at Rising Star

The Greater Rising Star Baptist Church presents The Children of God on Parade Saturday, July 2, at 7:30 p.m. Rev. O. Scott is the pastor and Michelle Parker will be mistress of the hour for the program. Everyone is invited to attend this event sponsored by the church youth department.

Register for outdoor class seminar

Deadline to register for the teacher seminar on outdoor classroom learning is extended to June 28. The seminar will be July 13-14 sponsored by the Colorado Soil and Water Conservation District. Educators should send reservations with the \$55 fee to Colorado SWCD, 316 Spring St., Columbus TX 78934. For additional information call Clara Horn: 409-732-2773.

First Baptist has evening VBS

First Baptist Church of Eagle Lake will have Vacation Bible School June 27-July 1 in the evenings from 5:30 to 8 p.m. The theme is Trails of Treasures. VBS will be for ages four through sixth grade. Students will study the Bible, sing, have art and recreational activities.

TAAS exit retest set in July

The exit level TAAS tests will be given at Rice High School. Students in grades 10-12 who have not passed all portions of the test are already preregistered to take it. Writing test is Tuesday, July 12; reading is July 13 and Math is July 14. All tests begin at 8:30 a.m. in Rooms S and T at Rice.

Street closings for Sheridan park set for public hearing

Special to The Headlight By Rhonda Lattimore, Banner Press Staff

He returned to the Colorado County Jail in Oct. 1991, after being sentenced to 16 years in the Institutional Division of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. He stayed in Colorado County until March 1992, when he was transferred to the state facility.

The original suit, written in long-hand by Thomas, claims he was incarcerated with the general population in

the jail by Esterling even though he was an ex-guard.

County Judge H.O. "Butch" Strunk said Thomas was not abused or mistreated by any of the other inmates or Esterling. Colorado County Public Defender J. Julian Moore has taken the case.

In other business, the Court: •Announced the groundbreaking ceremonies for the new county jail

facility are slated for Wednesday, June 22, at 10 a.m. at the construction site;

•Learned of the posting of a certificate of insurance and performance bond for Chappell Hill Construction Co. of Brenham, general contractor for the new county jail;

•Approved advertisement for a full-time employee for Precinct 3 and (See Commissioners, Page 11)

Sheriff's officers assist at house fire, otherwise have routine week

The Colorado County Sheriff's Department reported the following calls during the past week.

Monday, June 6, Deputy Gary Stavinocha assisted the Columbus police with a courtesy transport to the sheriff's office from the Texaco Station at 1:13 a.m. At the same time, Deputy Troy Neisner assisted them with a transport from the Whataburger to the sheriff's office.