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Commissioners

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calls come in during the officer's absence, a regular deputy has to handle the call.

Estelring wants the mental health officer to be paid out of his own budget. He then wants funds from RRMHA to be used for car maintenance, gas, tires and compensation time if needed.

Precinct 4 Commissioner Leon "Sonny" Spaniel will present the letter at the next RRMHA board meeting. He serves as the representative for the county.

In other business, the Court:

- Learned that the brick walkway on the north side of the courthouse has been completed and funds raised from the project totaled \$7,704.
- Tabled awarding bids for repaving and restoring the district courtroom, using funds generated from the brick sidewalk project.
- Announced brick forms are still available in Strunk's office. If enough

interest is shown, an extension will be added to the present walkways. Bricks are \$55 each.

- Appointed Brian Carter and Debs Martin as the presiding and alternate judges for Voting Precinct No. 18; and
- Received notice of the receipt of \$2,296 grant from Governor Ann Richards' office for juvenile services.

Rice Mill ready for crops

According to Gene Payne, president of Lakeside Rice Mill, work is progressing at Eagle Lake's first rice mill.

Farmers may contact Lakeside Rice Mill or check with the local rice mill office for information about their plans.

Lakeside has skilled and semi-skilled employment openings as well, Payne noted.

"Very often the quiet fellow has said all he knows." — Kin Hubbard

Check slightly higher than last year, but...

Tax collections still below 1993 rate

"In keeping with the upward trend that began 13 months ago, employment in Texas grew at a rate of 3% or more during August," State Comptroller John Sharp said last week.

The job growth in both Austin and Dallas was again above 5% and confident consumers in all major metro areas of Texas were continuing their increased spending, he commented.

Sharp's office delivered a total of \$134.4 million in Oct. sales tax rebates to 998 Texas cities and 111 counties. The payments represent a 9.7% increase over rebates of \$122.5 million a year ago.

The City of Eagle Lake received a check in the amount of \$8,718.13, 1.78% above the \$8,565.63 received this month last year.

Texas cities received \$120.9 million, up 10.3% from the \$109.6 million they received last Oct. Counties received a total of \$13.4 million, a 4.6% increase over their Oct. 1993 rebates of \$12.8 million.

This month's sales tax payments include taxes collected on Aug. sales and reported in Sept. by businesses filing monthly tax returns.

Houston received a monthly payment of \$16.7 million, the largest city sales tax rebate for Oct., up 7.6% from the \$15.5 million in Oct. 1993. "Construction which is once again a bright spot in the Houston employment picture, gaining 7,300 jobs since last year for a 6.9% increase," Sharp said.

The \$10.4 million payment to Dallas was the second largest, up 7.9% from the \$9.6 million for the same period last year.

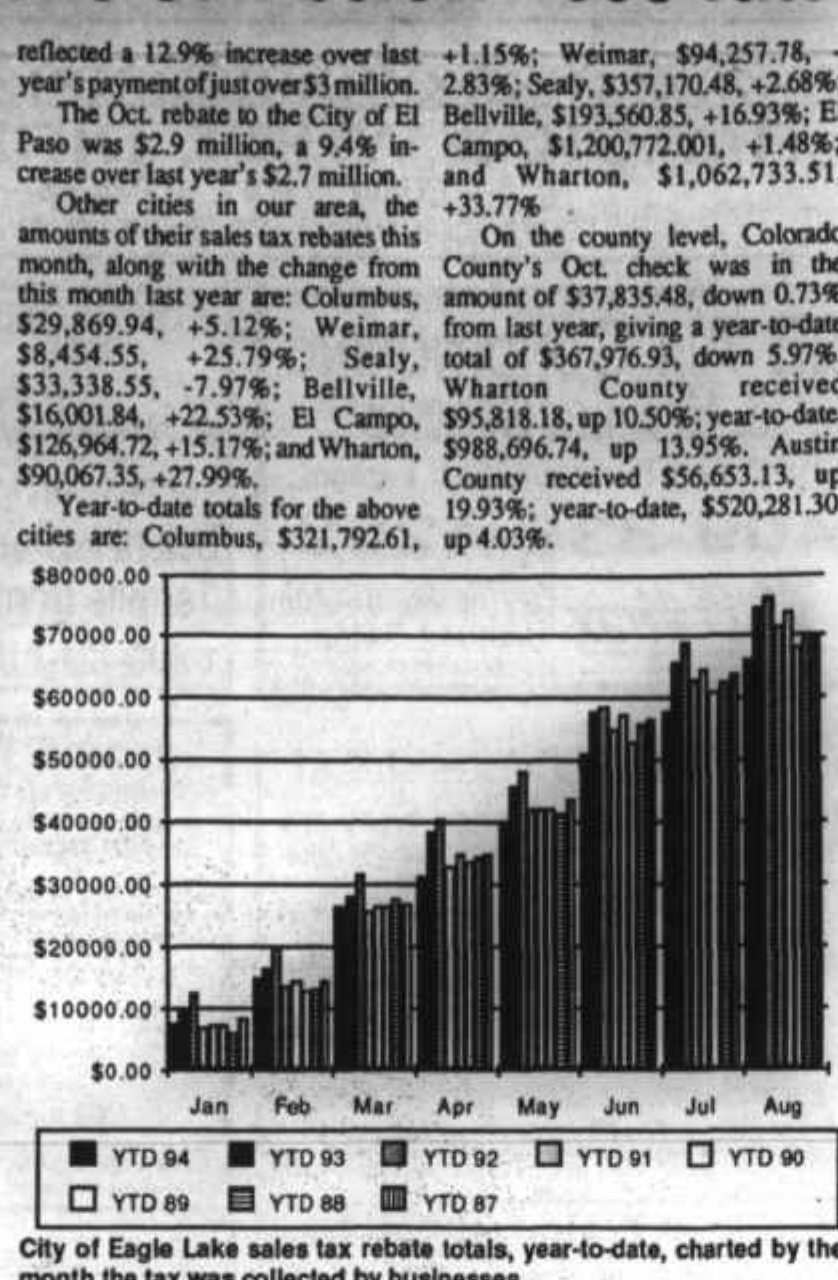
Dallas has added 74,200 jobs since Aug. 1993, accounting for more than one-third of all new employment created in the state over the last year, according to Sharp.

San Antonio received the third largest rebate of \$7.1 million a 4.8% increase over last year's payment of \$6.8 million.

Austin's payment of \$5.4 million ranked fourth highest, a 12.8% increase over the Oct. 1993 payment of \$4.8 million.

Due to an end-of-summer boom in tourism and a half percent higher local sales tax rate, the monthly payment for the City of Arlington was larger than that of adjacent Ft. Worth. Arlington's rebate of \$3.7 million was 19.2% above the \$3.1 million a year ago.

Ft. Worth's rebate of \$3.4 million



Eagle Lake Community Hospital Radiology Department

will

X-ray Halloween Candy

from 7 to 9 p.m. Halloween night Monday, Oct. 31

We invite all of Eagle Lake's Trick-or-treaters to come by to have their candy checked.

Newsbriefs

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Class of 1989 plans reunion

The class of 1989 is planning its five year reunion to be held Nov. 12. Help is needed to track down former classmates. If you'd like to help call Steven Meinecke at 234-3104 or Felicia Hearn Donnor at 234-5253 during the day and 732-5713 after 3 p.m. Everyone's help is needed to get the information out.

Pilots set bake sale

The Eagle Lake Pilot Club will hold a Halloween bake sale Saturday, Oct. 29, from 8 a.m. to noon in front of Wilcox Foods IGA. Everyone is invited to purchase their ghost and goblin goodies early.

Beauty pageant set

Crown Royal Productions will hold a beauty pageant for boys up to age six and girls all ages, on Sunday, Nov. 6, at the El Campo Civic Center. Registration will start at 12:30 p.m. Call 758-3040 or 732-6923 for information.

Help Fall Food Drive today

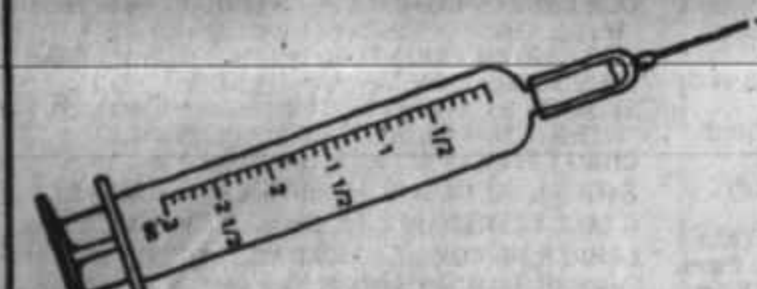
The Fall Food Drive is today, Oct. 20, sponsored by the Eagle Lake Ministerial Alliance to stock the community food bank. Donations may be dropped off at the square between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Volunteers will be on hand to take the nonperishable food items at the drive-by drop off.

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Dr. Frank Mann, Chairman

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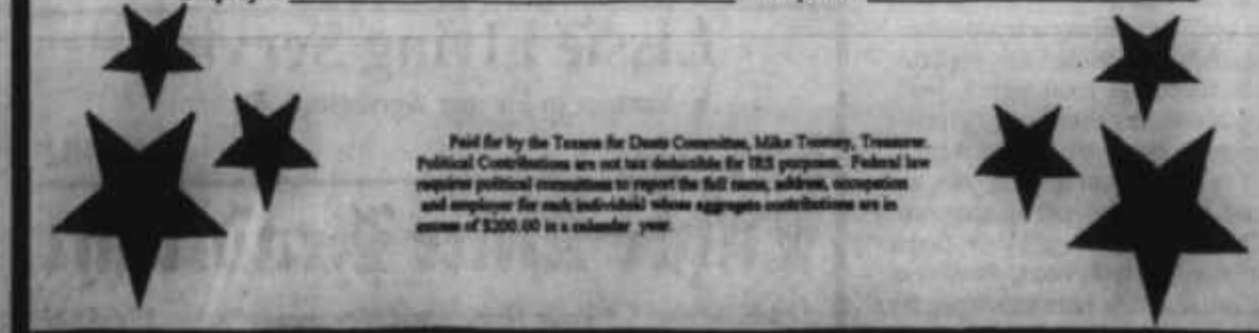
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Halloween curfew okayed by Council

Eagle Lake City Council, once again, approved an 8 p.m. curfew for Halloween night, Monday, Oct. 31. The curfew applies to street activities.

If you have any questions, contact City Hall at 234-2640.

Daylight Savings Time Ends Sunday Morning!

Daylight Savings Time officially ends at 2 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 30.

Set your clocks **BACK** an hour before you go to bed Saturday night.

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ELMS parent center opens

The Parent Center at Eagle Lake Middle School will hold its first parent session Thursday, Oct. 27, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Parents are invited to come by and get acquainted. The next session will be Nov. 3 from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

CCA board meets tonight

The Combined Community Action Inc. board of directors will meet Thursday, Oct. 27, at 7 p.m. in the CCA Center, 275 Ellinger Rd., La Grange. The public is welcome to attend the monthly meeting.

Singles sponsor dance

The Fort Bend Singles will sponsor a dance Friday, Oct. 28, at 8 p.m. in the Needville KC Hall. The public is welcome. For information call 409-793-4573.

Vote early this Saturday

Registered voters in Colorado County may vote early in person at the county clerk's office this Saturday, Oct. 28, from 9 a.m. to 12 and 1 to 4 p.m. Early voting will continue through Monday, Nov. 4, during regular business hours, announced County Clerk Darlene Hayek. The general election is Tuesday, Nov. 5.

Sheridan having Halloween Carnival

The Sheridan PTS will have a Halloween Carnival Saturday, Oct. 29, in the school cafeteria. A queen contest and costume contest will begin at 5 p.m. Carnival activities begin at 6:30 with rides, food and fun for everyone.

Halloween Walkathon is Saturday

A Halloween Walkathon is planned Saturday, Oct. 29, to benefit the Fall United Way Campaign Drive. The three mile walk begins at 9 a.m. in front of City Hall and ends at the Recreation Center. Pick up a pledge sheet at First National Bank of Eagle Lake to help raise funds.

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ELMS yearbooks available

Eagle Lake Middle School has 20 extra 1993-94 yearbooks available for sale. The books are \$5 each and may be obtained by contacting Sandy Young at 234-3501.

Congressional rep in Columbus

A representative from Congressman Greg Laughlin's office will be at the Colorado County Courthouse from 9:30 to 11 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 1. He can assist citizens with government related questions. No appointment is needed.

Lupus support to meet

The Lupus Support Group will meet at noon Thursday, Nov. 3 at Sportsman's Restaurant. Everyone is welcome to attend.

PJs set dress rehearsals

The Prairie Edge Juniors (PJs) will hold dress rehearsals two Sundays, Nov. 6 and 13, at 3 p.m. in the museum auditorium. They are preparing for their fall production *The Show Must Go On*. Contact Deborah Reed for information.

Quilt show set in Houston

The International Quilt Festival will be held Nov. 3-6 at the George R. Brown Convention Center in Houston. The annual judged show costs \$7 for adults and \$4 for senior citizens. Historic, celebrity and award winning quilts will be displayed as well as booths with quilts and needlecrafts for sale.

Seniors dance next Friday

The senior citizens dance will be sponsored by the Eagle Lake Knights of Columbus at the KC Hall Friday, Nov. 4, from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. Singles and couples are welcome for \$4 a person. The public is invited.

Sweeny has Victorian Day

Victorian Day is planned Saturday, Nov. 5, at the park on Main St. in Sweeny. The parade begins at 2 p.m. Everyone is encouraged to dress Victorian and join the fun. For information, call 409-548-5036 or 548-2717.

Brenham museum sets exhibits

The Brenham Heritage Museum will have a military exhibit for the month of Nov. with a preview Nov. 2 from 7-9 p.m. A live enactment by the 10th Texas Volunteers is set for Nov. 3 at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. The month includes WW I artifacts Nov. 2-7; Civil War items Nov. 9-16; WW I exhibit Nov. 16-21; and Republic of Texas exhibit Nov. 21-23.

Vets honored at dinner

The Veterans Day Dinner and entertainment in honor of area veterans will be sponsored by the Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce on Thursday, Nov. 10, in the Community Center. Serving will be from 5 to 7 p.m. with dine in or to-go plates for \$6. Entertainment will begin at 5:45 p.m. Everyone is invited.

Blinn workshop rescheduled

The Blinn College workshop "Government Contracting" planned for Oct. 20 at has been rescheduled to Thursday, Nov. 10, from 9 a.m. to noon. It will be held at Prairie View A&M University. For information call 409-830-4137.

\$1,000 REWARD

A \$1,000 reward is being offered for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for the destruction of a Steiger 470 farm tractor owned by Gertson Farm Partnership.

The tractor was taken by person(s) unknown and driven into an unoccupied house on FM 102 in Ramsey on, or about, Dec. 4, 1993. The resulting fire destroyed the tractor and house.

If you have any information regarding this case, please call Eagle Lake Crime Stoppers at 234-5555. YOU WILL REMAIN ANONYMOUS!

Public hearing set on county flood policy

Special to The Headlight
By Rhonda Lattimore
Banner Press Staff

Residents of future Colorado County subdivisions may soon have additional County protection in regard to flooding since the County Commissioners' Court is considering adopting new policy outlining strict rules for the creation of subdivisions.

County Judge H.O. "Butch" Strunk said the Court first needs to define what it considers a subdivision and then outline exact specifications for one's creation.

A public hearing is slated for Monday, Nov. 14, at 9 a.m. to consider adopting additions to the County's present policy.

A primary addition to the County's subdivision specifications would be to notify all potential landowners of the location of the 100 Year Floodplain in regard to the land so possible buyers would not find themselves with floodable property after the purchase.

Also, the County's present policy has no language that requires a subdivision to be planned and filed in the county clerk's office and the Court felt all future subdivisions should be filed.

Strunk stressed that any policy changes would only affect future subdivisions and all present locations would be "grandfathered" under the present policy.

At the public hearing, adoption of all or part of the following additions to the County's present policy will be considered:

1. All subdivisions proposals must have the following note placed on the plat: "Before any development (including fill, channel modifications, etc.) proceeds on land in this subdivision, a development permit application must be filed at ()."
2. All subdivision proposals shall have the boundaries of the 100 Year Floodplain and floodway clearly shown on the plat.
3. For all lots located within the 100 Year Floodplain, minimum slab or floor elevations shall be shown for each building site.
4. When any part of a subdivisions lies within the 100 Year Floodplain, a permanent bench mark tied to a designated National Geodetic Elevation Marker shall be established within the subdivision at an accessible location. The bench mark and tie shall be located and referenced with all pertinent information on the plat along with a Registered Surveyors Seal.
5. When any part of a subdivision lies within the 100 Year Floodplain, the following note must be placed on the plat: "The developer, builder, seller or agent shall inform in writing, each prospective buyer of subdivision lots or property located within flood hazard areas that such property is in an identified flood hazard area and that all development must conform to () Floodplain Management Regulations. The written notice shall be filed for record in Deed of Records and a copy of the notice must accompany the application for development permit."
6. All structures placed on lots affected by unmapped tributaries, low areas where ponding of surface runoff occurs, or sheet flow flooding shall have the lowest floor elevated at least a minimum of 18 inches above the adjacent grade.

The Court hopes to receive input at its public hearing from real estate representatives, potential developers and citizens.

Commissioners approved a breakdown of the Road and Bridge tax fund according to mileage amounts for (See Commissioners, Page 14)

Connie Lange, local American Red Cross representative, is in the midst of a very busy week. The national organization has decided to set up a distribution center in Colorado County to handle needs from the 26 or so counties which experienced flooding last week.

This is the first time the Red Cross has set up an area-wide center such as this, according to Lange.

The center, located at the old Smith Industries building on Interstate 10 at FM 949, is in the process of being cleaned and outfitted to handle clothing and non-perishable items the flood victims will need.

The City of Eagle Lake has sent its large street sweeper and operator Larry Supak to clean out the building. Telephone service will be connected soon and Lange says they will be able to accept donations from the Eagle Lake area by Friday.

To make donations, if you have questions or would like to volunteer, contact Lange at 409-234-7302.



Chamber welcomes new owners

Laker Printing was recently purchased from Jeff Frnk by Jonna and Wayne Bowen. They also bought Excellence Trophies from Kate and Charles Spallinger and combine them into Laker Printing & Trophies. The ribbon cutting ceremonies took place on Thursday, Oct. 20, at 10 a.m. Pictured in front of the business from left to right are Sam Thomson, Linda Lipperdt, Sharon Webb, Mary Kay and Robby Cook, Jonna, Clayton and Wayne Bowen, Debbie Schmitt, Robert Wilcox and Linda Balas.

Study Club raises \$13,000+ for library

Following a week of extremely wet and unseasonably warm weather, the Eagle Lake Study Club's annual auction last Saturday night was a bright spot. The event raised \$13,310.50 (as of Oct. 25) for the Eagle Lake Public Library.

Their bakery booth sold \$663 worth of goodies while the silent auction brought in \$762.50. The fast-paced main auction concluded with a total of \$9,660; \$2,285 was donated in addition to the auction purchases.

Assisting with this year's auction were Joe Herbert McCreary, auctioneer; cashiers, Charlene Rodgers, Janet Schorlemmer and Anna Gertson; sponsors, Candy McCreary, Louis Schorlemmer, Larry Rodgers and Robby Cook; helpers, Chris McCreary, Amy Fearing, Kurt Rodgers. (See Auction, Page 8)



Join the war against drugs...

Wear a red ribbon this week

The Week of Oct. 22-30 is Red Ribbon Week. Everyone in the community is asked to wear a red ribbon or tie one on your car or office door to show everyone that you help support the war on drugs.

Members of Alpha Delta Phi have put red ribbons on trees around the Eagle Lake City Square and the McCoy's Building Supply in Weimar is passing out red ribbons to everyone who goes by their store.

Spotters Louisa Schorlemmer, right front, and Candy McCreary, center, watch the crowd closely for bid signals while Joe Herbert McCreary, auctioneer (at left), coaxes another \$10 out of bidders at last Saturday's annual Study Club Auction.

Headlight Photo by Joanne Fearing