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Sheriff

center facility in Hempstead. The case was cleared by the arrest.

Colorado County Sheriff's Department also reported the following calls for the past week.

On Monday, Nov. 21, at 1:04 a.m., Deputy Jim Parrell and Ron Knighten responded to a call concerning a subject in Weimar. Parrell then handled cattle out on Shaws Bend at 4:04 a.m.

At 4:16 a.m. Knighten responded to a suspicious vehicle reported at Greck Shell #2. Parrell responded to a burglary reported at Sheridan School at 6:51 a.m.

Lt. R. H. "Curly" Wied handled cattle out on I-10 at 1:28 p.m. then Sgt. Gary Stavinoha handled cattle out on FM 109 at 2:33 p.m.

At 3:52 p.m. Sgt. Richard Frederick responded to a family disturbance on 950.

Sgt. Stavinoha handled cattle out on FM 109 at 5:40 p.m., then responded to an alarm in Alleyton at 7:10 p.m. Deputies Richard LaCourse and Ben Vlach handled cattle out on I-10 at 1:10 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 22, at 7:36 a.m., Deputy LaCourse was enroute to TDCI to drop off a prisoner.

Sgt. Frederick transported two prisoners to Limestone County at 9:21 a.m. At 1:04 p.m., Sgt. Stavinoha was enroute to San Antonio to pick up a prisoner.

Lt. Wied was enroute to the Sheriff's Dept. with two subjects arrested for theft of livestock at 2:53 p.m. He then met with a complainant in Frelsburg at 5:46 p.m.

Sgt. Stavinoha responded to a call concerning smoke on Hwy. 71 South at 5:47 p.m.

Deputy Vlach responded to a barn fire on FM 3013 at 11:40 a.m. At 11:54 p.m. Deputy LaCourse responded to cattle out on I-10.

On Wednesday, Nov. 23, at 12:06 p.m. Deputy LaCourse responded to a call concerning an irate customer at Cattleman's.

At 1:15 a.m. Deputy Vlach responded to a call concerning a juvenile in Rock Island, then responded to the possible burglary of a barn at 2:14.

Deputy Troy Neisner responded to a call concerning vandalism in Sheridan Park at 8:28 a.m. He then was enroute to Hempstead to transport two juveniles at 2:41 p.m.

Deputy Vlach responded to a possible burglary at Lake Sheridan at 8 p.m. At 10:34 p.m. Deputy LaCourse responded to a report of a possible drunk driver on I-10.

Thursday, Nov. 24, at 12:48 a.m., Deputies Vlach and LaCourse responded to a possible drunk driver on I-10, then responded to a call concerning a robbery on I-10 at 2:28 a.m.

At 5:47 a.m. they responded to a call concerning an accident on I-10.

Deputy Neisner responded to an alarm on I-10 at 6:14 p.m.

At 5:44 p.m. Deputy Knighten handled a welfare check, then responded to a call concerning criminal mischief on I-10 at 6:39 p.m. He also handled a possible drunk driver on Hwy. 71 north at 7:35 p.m.

Deputy Knighten then responded to a call reporting a stolen gun in Rock Island at 8:12 p.m.

On Friday, Nov. 25, at 9:29 a.m., Deputy Neisner met with a complainant at the Weimar Police Dept. He then met with a complainant on County Rd. 2-107 at 9:59 a.m. At 11:55 a.m. Neisner responded to a call concerning a suspicious subject in Glidden.

Deputy Knighten responded to a call concerning a burglary at 6:09 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 26, at 2:29 p.m.,

Contests

an appointment for visiting the school, call Clara Hornik at 409-732-2773.

Coloring Contest

The district will furnish sketches for the coloring contest. Entries for the Kindergarten and First grades will be "Working Together". The entry for the Second and Third grades is titled "What The Earth Gives Us". The cover sheet information is printed on the back of each sketch and must be completed for each entry.

Only students age 12 and under as of Sept. 1, 1994, are eligible to enter.

Students have a choice of title for the poster this year. "Partners in Stewardship" or "Living Waters" are the titles, therefore the students may choose either title, placed anywhere on the front of the poster. There are state contest rules so these words must be on the front of the poster.

Only white poster board, 14 inches by 22 inches (one-half of a standard poster board) will be accepted. According to state regulations, no object may be glued or pasted on the face of the poster.

Helpful hints for the poster are: use a brief, catchy message that can be read in 10 seconds; keep the poster simple; do not overcrowd; and use lettering large enough to make them easily grasped for a distance.

Some of the items the judges will look for are eligibility under the rules, correctly spelled words, the conservation message, visual effectiveness and development of the poster theme.

Essay Contest Rules

Every essay must be titled "Soil and Water Conservation" and this title must appear at the top of the essay. The content of the essay, prose or poetry must address both soil and water conservation. Again this year, the content may be either prose or poetry, however district winning poetry will be eligible for district competition only. Essays written in prose must not exceed 300 words, poetry entries must be at least 20 lines long.

Content must be original, not copied from any reference book or other source. Work containing copied material will not be recognized for participation.

Some of the items the environmental educational committee and judges request are: write neatly and accurately using complete sentences, correct spelling, have a strong opening subject and use your own style. Be yourself and write what you want to say in your own words.

Members of the environmental educational committee, Clara Hornik, the district executive secretary and Connie Fair, with the Natural Resources Conservation Service will meet with the faculty (and students upon request) prior to the beginning of work on the entries, to discuss the regulations.

The deadline for submitting the completed entries is 4:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 20, 1995. Entries may be brought to the Natural Resource Conservation Service Office, (formerly SCS) in the County Ag. Building, 316 Spring St., Columbus.

The district winners of the Coloring, Poster and Essay contests will be honored, recognized and presented with awards at the Conservation Banquet March 23, 1995, at Veterans Memorial Hall in Weimar.

This District, financial institutions and others will co-sponsor the banquet and awards. Parents and teachers of the award winners will also be recognized at the banquet.

Anyone having questions may contact Clara Hornik at 409-732-2773 or at the office at 316 Spring Street.

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Crime Stopper 'Crime of the Week'

The Eagle Lake Crime Stoppers is offering up to \$1,000 cash reward for any information leading to the arrest and indictment of any person or persons involved in the theft of a briefcase containing cash and checks and a wallet containing credit cards from Eagle Lake Farm & Home Supply on Wednesday, Nov. 23.

If you have any information regarding this case of any case, please call Crime Stoppers at 234-5555 or the Police Department at 234-2727.

You will remain anonymous.

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Vehicle accidents take two lives

CCA board meets Thursday

The Combined Community Action Inc. board of directors will meet Thursday, Dec. 8, at 7 p.m. in the CCA Center, LaGrange. The public is invited.

Depression seminar set for professionals

Dr. Richard Miller, psychotherapist, counselor and minister of First Presbyterian Church in Eagle Lake, presented a seminar "Recognition and Treatment of Depression" for professionals in healthcare Dec. 6 at Eagle Lake Community Hospital from 12:30 to 2 p.m. He will repeat this presentation Dec. 8 from 12:30 to 2 p.m. at Sealy Medical Clinic. For information contact Dr. Miller at 234-2962.

Call City Hall about expanding calling area

Eagle Lake area citizens are requested to call the City Hall at 234-2640 to express your position on expanding the free local calling area for the 234 telephone exchange to include such areas as Sealy, Wallis and Columbus which are currently long distance.

Free blood pressure checks set

Eagle Lake Medical Clinic is offering free blood pressure checks for the month of December at 700 S. McCarty. Everyone is also invited to come by for refreshments each Friday of December from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Lifestyle 2000 topic

Arthur L. Andrews will speak to students on Lifestyle 2000 Motivational on Thursday, Dec. 8, at Eagle Lake Middle School. The first session will be 9:45-10:30 a.m. for grades six, seven and eight; the second, 10:30-11:15 a.m. is for fourth and fifth grades. All parents and concerned citizens are invited.

Garwood to light up

Mr. and Mrs. Santa will light up downtown Garwood Friday, Dec. 9, at 6:30 p.m. sponsored by the Garwood Community Association. A chicken spaghetti supper will be offered at 7 p.m. for \$3 adults and \$3 children. Everyone is invited to come enjoy the festivities and visit Santa.

New businesses welcomed

The Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce will have ribbon cutting ceremonies Dec. 9 to welcome two new members. The new business, Unlimited Animal Artistry, a taxidermy managed by Andrew Magninat, has opened at 113 E. Main St. and the ribbon cutting will be held at 10 a.m. Ribbon cutting is at 10:30 for Judy's Treasures, a resale and consignment shop at 310 E. Main St., owned by Judy Stewart.

Join Happy Hikers at Bear Creek

The Houston Happy Hikers will have a walking event Dec. 10 at Bear Creek Park from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. with a Christmas covered dish meal at 11:30. Everyone is welcome to the meal and should bring a meat and a side dish to share. For more information call 713-664-3679.

Fund raising fish dinner set

Mount Carmel Baptist Church will be serving fish dinners on Saturday, Dec. 10, beginning at 11 a.m. The fund raising dinner is sponsored by the church's music department.

Reception welcomes superintendent

The public is invited to a reception introducing the new superintendent of the Rice School District, Dr. Richard Gott, on Sunday, Dec. 11, at 2 p.m. in the Rice High School Commons. There will be a brief program beginning at 2:30 p.m. It is sponsored by the Rice school board.

Surplus food given Monday

The Combined Community Action Inc. will distribute USDA surplus food on Monday, Dec. 12, in Eagle Lake at Providence Baptist Church, 1207 E. State St. 11:30 a.m. to noon. They will give out food at 10:10-10:30 a.m. at Weimar City Hall and 1:30-2 p.m. at the CCA Center in Columbus. For qualification information call 1-800-688-9025.

Rice bands plan concert

The bands of the Rice School District will present their annual Christmas concert next Monday evening. Musicians from sixth grade through high school will participate. Contact the office of any Rice campus for time and location.

PE demonstration planned for PTO

The physical education classes of Eagle Lake Middle School will present demonstrations of basketball, gymnastics, rhythmic ribbons, aerobic dance, twirling and jump rope for the PTO meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 13, at 7 p.m. Everyone, especially the parents, are invited to attend.

Rice 4-H has party

The Rice 4-H Club will hold their Dec. meeting and Christmas party on Tuesday, Dec. 13, at 7 p.m. in the home of August Mrkwa.

Reagan High looking for grads

The 1965 graduating class of John H. Reagan High School in Houston is planning their 30 year reunion. Members of the class should contact Larry Moerbe at 713-466-4879 or Jeanie Reed at 713-497-0315.

ELPS has PTO meeting

The Eagle Lake Primary School PTO will have a business meeting and Christmas program Wednesday, Dec. 14, at 7 p.m. Parents and the community are invited to attend.

Raider Boosters to meet

The Rice Raider Athletic Booster Club will have a meeting Wednesday, Dec. 14, at 7 p.m. in the Rice High School PAC. All are encouraged to attend.

Study Club to hear Power

The Eagle Lake Study Club will meet Wednesday, Dec. 14, at 2 p.m. in the Wintermann Library for its regular meeting and program. The "powerful dust" of Vicki and Clark Powers, well known in the community, will perform.

Cancer support group meets

The Breast Cancer Support Group for recovering or current patients and family members now meets the first and third Tuesdays of each month at Gulf Coast Medical Center, Classroom A in Wharton at 7 p.m. For information call 409-532-6151. The next meeting is Dec. 19.

Defensive driving class set

A defensive driving class will be offered Jan. 4 and 5 from 6:30-9:30 p.m. at the Wintermann Library in Eagle Lake. To preregister for the course, call the library at 234-5411 or instructor Gilbert Kiel at 234-2042.

For the second time within a week, Eagle Lake Police Cpl. Eric Hart assisted Dept. of Public Safety troopers by responding to a vehicle accident west of the city on Hwy. 90A.

Wednesday, Nov. 30, a two-vehicle major accident was reported approximately 1/2 mile west of Eagle Lake on 90A. Hart, along with Police Chief A.E. "Buck" Hall, handled the scene until DPS Trooper Richard Slubar arrived.

According to Slubar, Katherine Powers Clipson, age 81, of Eagle Lake, driving a 1988 Oldsmobile 98, was traveling west on 90A to her home. As she began to turn the car into the driveway of her home, it was struck by a 1985 black Ford Ranger pickup driven by Fernando Garcia,

age 18.

Haydee Garcia, 17, sister of the driver, and Tony Garcia, 17, a cousin, passengers in the pickup, were transported by Lifelight to Hermann Hospital in Houston. The Garcias are all from Eagle Lake.

Tony Garcia remains in intensive care and Haydee's condition is said to be "guarded," according to the family's lawyer. Clipson died at the scene.

Fernando Garcia was transported to Eagle Lake Community Hospital by Colorado County Volunteer Ambulance Corps Unit #803.

Also at the scene were members of the Eagle Lake Volunteer Fire Department (ELVFD).

According to Trooper Slubar, the pickup was traveling at a speed of 55 to 60 miles per hour and was unable to stop when Clipson turned to cross the lane of on-coming traffic.

Slubar stated that none of those involved in this wreck were wearing seatbelts.

The previous Friday, Nov. 25, at approximately 3:45 p.m., one person was killed and two injured in a head-on collision on Hwy. 90-A on the Colorado River bridge.

According to Trooper Patrick Zaitpek, a 1982 Chevrolet Blazer, driven by George Thomas Storm Jr., 36, of Spring, was traveling east on 90-A when it struck the bridge guard-rail.

Impact with the guardrail apparently caused the vehicle to veer into the westbound lane where it collided head-on with a 1989 Chevrolet Suburban driven by Charles M. Baggett, 49, of Freeport.

A camper, which was being pulled by the Suburban, was torn open on impact, covering the bridge with debris and causing it to be closed to traffic for over two hours.

Baggett and his passenger, Doris L. Baggett, 79, were taken to Columbus Community Hospital.

It took more than an hour for ELVFD and ambulance corps members to free Storm from the wreckage, even using the Jaws of Life. He was Lifelighted to Hermann where he died at 6:14 p.m.

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Christmas parade lights up city streets, faces

By Carol Cardenas

The 1994 Christmas lighted parade was a huge success, as the streets of Eagle Lake were filled with people, young and old, eagerly lined up to see the lighted floats go by. Some "eager beavers" had their spots staked out by 5 p.m., an hour before starting time!

The floats themselves came from as far as Fayetteville to be judged in the parade, which got off without a hitch.

The award for the most outstanding entry went to Thomas Clinic for their float with a Simpsons theme.

Winning first place in the service division was the Colorado County Fair float. Second place went to Alpha Delta Phi, third place went to Xi Psi and honorable mention was given to the Eagle Lake Volunteer Fire Department.



The Thomas Clinic staff posed in the award for "Most Outstanding" along with first in the commercial division. With doctors and staffers not only dressing the part of "The Simpsons", but sporting bulging eyeballs so you could not mistake the theme of the float.

Headlight Photo by Jeannine Fearing

Tax office installs computer system

The Colorado County Tax Office will be closed Dec. 12 through 14 while they install new computer equipment and training.

Tax Assessor-Collector Mary Jane Poenitzsch explained it would close temporarily, "as we take steps to improve the way we do business. Our employees are to undergo training on the new Registration and Title System or RTS."

The new equipment will be installed while the office is closed. The \$40 million dollar automated system is a project of the Texas Dept. of Transportation (TxDOT). Its development began in 1987 to replace a manual system that was becoming obsolete due to the state's growing vehicle population.

As statutory agents of TxDOT, the local office processes registrations and title transactions in addition to collecting the appropriate fees. The new RTS will be used to continue that work. The system is to enhance efficiency and customer service according to TxDOT.

Registrations will be updated in the system with 48 hours instead of the previous six to eight weeks. This will benefit law enforcement agencies and the general public. County residents should get their vehicle titles within two weeks under the new system.

RTS is also expected to reduce the amount of time customers must wait in line because tax office employees will no longer rely on paper forms to process each transaction. Data will be entered on a series of computer screens.

The new method is expected to provide a more accurate way of collecting and reporting registration and title fees to TxDOT and is being implemented across Texas with all 254 counties scheduled to be on the network by Dec. 1995.

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For information contact the office at 409-732-2710.

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Players set auditions

The Prairie Edge Players will hold auditions on Thursday, Dec. 15, for their new production Bull in a China Shop. Anyone interested in auditioning is invited to read for a part.

Seven women and five men of various ages are needed. Most parts are only moderate in length and several are quite short.

Readings will be held at 7 p.m. in the home of Helen Craig, 115 Laughlin Rd., Eagle Lake. Scripts may be seen in advance by calling 234-2807.

Rehearsals for the new play will begin in Jan. Tentative production date is mid-March. Dr. Raymond Thomas will direct and Craig will produce the three-act mystery-comedy by C.B. Gilford.

Edith Hopkins celebrates 100th

Longtime Garwood resident Edith Hopkins celebrated her 100th birthday with a party on Nov. 11. She was born Nov. 3, 1894.

The family gathered at the home of David and Carole Pavlovick to help her celebrate.

She was married to the late Cole P. Hopkins and had one son, Jack, who lives in Columbus.

Among the family and friends who gathered for the event from out of state were Ray, Jeff, Jackie, Taylor and Turner Tribby from New Oxford, Pa., and Jackie Leer from Bladenboro, N.C.

Coming in from around Texas were Nan, Dennis, Heather and Heidi Hewitt from League City; Alice Seargent from Brackettville; Judy Blackburn from Stephenville; and Cathy and Al Cano from San Antonio.

Also at the gathering from Garwood were Agnes Martin and Marion Bennett, as well as Thomas, Sharon and Ashley Pavlick; from Eagle Lake, Patty, Jean, Draper, Brice and Kathy Stephens, and Rev. Larry Bailey; Ellen Bantle of La Grange; Mary and Byron Zavecky, Alex and Marcus Nichols from Houston; and from College Station, Susan and Larry Cooper with Maria Black.

Hopkins was honored with cards, presents and congratulations from all over.