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### Sheriff

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on 1-10 at 11:59 p.m.

On Friday, Feb. 3, at 12:48 a.m. Deputies Kneale and Parcell responded to a call concerning a disturbance in Garwood.

At 9:55 a.m. Sgt. Frederick served paper on Reese Lane.

At 10:01 a.m. Lt. Wied arrested a subject for outstanding warrants.

Sgt. Frederick served civil papers at 10:04 a.m.

At 10:10 Deputy Neisner transported two prisoners to Limestone County.

Lt. Wied responded to a call concerning a burglary in Alleyton at 10:41 a.m.

Sgt. Frederick served civil papers at 11:05 and at 11:10 a.m.

Deputy Carol Scott served civil papers at 2:15 p.m. and at 4:38 p.m.

Sgt. Stavinoha responded to a call concerning a horse out on Hwy. 90 at 6:15 p.m. At 6:31 p.m. he gave courtesy transport.

Deputy Ron Knighten responded to a call concerning a possible UFO in Rock Island at 8:09 p.m.

Sgt. Stavinoha responded to a call concerning a suspicious vehicle at the

airport at 8:19 p.m.

Deputy Knighten responded to a call to meet with a complainant at the Sheriff's Dept. at 10:29 p.m.

Deputies Peikert and Knighten responded to a call concerning a fight at Frank's Friendly Service at 11:45 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 4, at 7:14 p.m. Deputy Peikert responded to a call concerning criminal mischief on Brushy Road. At 7:28 p.m., he responded to a call concerning mail box damage on County Road 201.

Deputy Knighten responded to a call concerning threats at 10:32 p.m.

On Sunday, Feb. 5, at 1:41 a.m. Deputy Peikert responded to a call concerning a suspicious vehicle in Glidden.

Deputy Neisner followed trail riders from Rock Island to Eagle Lake at 8:54 a.m.

Deputy Peikert responded to a call concerning an animal in the roadway on 1-10 at 5:49 p.m. He later met with a complainant at the Sheriff's Dept. at 6:16 p.m.

At 8:25 p.m. Deputy Knighten met with a complainant at the Sheriff's Dept.

Deputy Peikert responded to a call concerning a suspicious vehicle on FM 1291 at 8:31 p.m.

Deputy Knighten met with a complainant at the Sheriff's Dept. at 9:05 p.m.

He later made a follow up at a Sheridan residence at 9:10 p.m.

Deputies Knighten and Peikert responded to a call concerning a subject in roadway on 1-10 at 10:04 p.m.

Deputy Parcell served a warrant at the Sheriff's Dept. at 11:37 p.m.



**Spirit Baton award winner**

Kimberly Rodriguez won the Spirit Baton Award from Sherri's Starlight Twirlers recently. She received a new baton for her enthusiasm, talented twirling skills and bright smile. She is coached by Sherri Sommerlatte. Congratulations, Kimberly!

### Police

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toxication, processed and transported to the county jail for confinement.

Also on Feb. 7, Bennie Brown was arrested on warrants from Houston Police Department, processed and transported to the county jail for confinement to await pickup by Houston.

After receiving a complaint of disorderly person at Stevenson's Cafe on Feb. 7, Norris Simons was arrested for disorderly conduct and public intoxication, processed and transported to the county jail for confinement. Officers Ochoa and Baklik were the arresting officers in the two above cases.

### Episcopal Church launches visionary plan

Eagle Lake's Christ Episcopal Church is conducting a series of soul-searching meetings to identify thrust for the next six years.

"We want to determine church direction in order to recognize where we are now and where we want to be by the time the new century rolls

around," says Senior Warden and Vestry member Fair Wells.

Assisting Wells with this evaluation are Rector Russell Minter and other elected members of the Vestry, Rollin Baker, Nancy Grasshoff, John Lakich (from Columbus), Dr. Russell Thomas and Sue Weller.

These sessions are also open to other interested parishioners whose input adds dimension to the discussions.

"We are fortunate to have Houston Engineering Manager and Senior Warden Dick Laughter and Vicar Peter Conaty, both of St. John's Episcopal Church in Sealy, to bring us outside views for our consideration," reports Minter.

Major topics under discussion include pre-2000 growth, Sunday School enhancement and local outreach programs.

"The new century is almost upon us and we want local Episcopalians spiritually ready to participate," notes Lakich.

### Pittman wins spelling bee

Thomas Pittman, an eighth grade student from Sheridan Elementary, is the 1994-95 winner of the annual spelling bee contest. The 14 year old lives in Sheridan with his parents, Brent and Delaine Pittman, a sister, Teresa, and a brother, Travis.

Last year, as a seventh grader, Thomas won both the school and County Spelling Bees to advance to Houston. Thomas has been an active participant for two years, winning at the school level both years. He will again compete at the county level as an eighth grader.

Congratulations, Thomas!

### Outdoors

tures as opossums, muskrats, raccoons, and sometimes of a mink or gray fox.

Watch the friendly - and sometimes unfriendly - jousts between white-tailed deer foraging together in a forest glade.

Drive slowly along a country road after dark watching for owls, cottontails, skunks, opossums, and other night creatures.

Observe and also hear the fascinating courtship booming rituals of Attwater's prairie chicken. Consult a reference book to determine how bird's antics differ from those of its relatives, the dance of sharp-tailed grouse and the drumming of ruffed grouse.

Enjoy watching graceful, insect-eating, Mississippi kites wheeling overhead in Eagle Lake on warm summer afternoons.

Spook a pair of colorful black-bellied whistling ducks from their domain in the rice field.

Flush a crested caracara as it lurches by picking apart a road kill.

Watch interplay between cardinals as these attractive birds defend their nesting territories from intruders.

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ask the visiting experts. That's why they will be here... to encourage and enhance our understanding of Eagle Lake's unusual array of wildlife resources.

### Hereford sale set for Saturday

The Gulf Coast Hereford Association 44th Annual Spring Sale will be held Saturday, Feb. 11, at 1 p.m. in the Indoor Auction Arena of the Washington County Fairgrounds in Brenham. Lunch will be available.

Selling will be 28 Horned Hereford Bulls, 16 Horned Hereford Heifers, and 7 F1 Cross. Fertility tested, herd sires, herd sire prospects and range bulls.

Consignors will be Anderson's Herefords, Rock Island; Robert E. Bishop, Hearne; Boyd A. Cecil, Platon; J Bar F Ranch, Normangee; Herman G. Kaase, Taylor; L.A. Kainer, New Ulm; Tom A. McQuillin, Industry; Millcreek Farms, Bleiberville; Schatte Herefords, Giddings; Monroe Schatte & Sons, Giddings; and Triple S Ranch, Weimar.

The auctioneer will be Randolph Holford. For more information, call Pat Anderson at 713-861-0810 or 409-234-3962.



**Meal-size turnips**

Have you wondered what Jerry Fajkus has been doing since he retired? Just take a look at this photo and you'll figure it out... he's been raising turnips. Annette, Jerry's wife, called to brag about his 10 pound vegetables which were raised on Dixon Farm, their son-in-law's land. The tubers he brought by, shown above, ranged in size from seven to 10 pounds. One would be enough to feed a good sized family!

Headlight Photo by Carol Cardenas



**Best of Show**

Ben Ortiz Jr., son of Benjamin and Margaret Ortiz Sr. of Garwood, has been selected to represent his school at the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo.

Ben's map color drawing titled "Cowboy Country" will be on display at the Hayloft Gallery located in the west wing of the Astrohall on Sunday, March 5, at noon.

If you plan to attend the show, plan to arrive early at the Astro-dome complex. In the local competition held Saturday, Jan. 14, Ben's drawing was selected Best of Show.

Garwood School Photo

### Everyone urged to dress western today

The Colorado County Go Texan committee is inviting everyone to dress western on Thursday, Feb. 16.

Schools, businesses and individuals are encouraged to dress in western attire Thursday in honor of Colorado County morning at the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo.

At the 11 a.m. performance Saturday, Feb. 18, Colorado County will be saluted in the Astrodome at a rodeo performance featuring country western recording artist Clint Black.

For more information call Lynda Appelt at 234-5878.

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## Combined effort nets cash, crack cocaine

A search warrant (narcotics raid) for 222 Beard Street in New Town was executed last Friday, Feb. 10, at approximately 5:15 p.m. by a tri-agency task force, culminating a 10-month investigation involving all three agencies.

The task force consisted of agents from the 25th Judicial Task Force, Colorado County Sheriff's Department and Eagle Lake Police Department.

Arrested and charged with possession of a controlled substance were Donald Upson Jr., a 40 year old male residing at the Beard Street address, and Kendra Reggins, a 24 year old female from Garwood.

Seized in the raid were approximately 10 grams of crack cocaine and \$3,100 in cash as well as several weapons.

Upson and Reggins appeared by Justice of the Peace, Precinct 3, Francis Truchard and bond was set at \$20,000 each.

Both subjects made bond before Monday afternoon.

## Auditor discovers charges made by former employee

Colorado County Commissioners Monday morning instructed County Auditor Raymie Kana to seek legal advice after they learned that former EMS director Mickey Wester had allegedly charged nearly \$400 in personal items to the county.

The item surfaced when Kana informed the court of the charges when Commissioners were approving the accounts payable.

According to Kana, Wester had charged some \$258 to Gall's and another \$130 on the County's Texaco account.

Kana suggested that the Court agree to withhold Wester's final paycheck, totaling \$534, to make sure there were no other outstanding charges against the County.

Commissioner Richard Seifert suggested that Kana contact County Attorney J. Julian Moore in regards to the legality of withholding Wester's final check.

"I think we need to see where we stand legally and pursue this matter. If County property was taken, we need to set an example to make sure something like this doesn't happen again," said Seifert.

In other business, the Court: Adopted resolutions of appreciation for former county judge H.O. "Buck" Swank and former extension agent Rick Jahm; Approved raising the load zone to 20 tons on County Road 115 west of the County Road 113 intersection to County Road 116; and County Road 116 north of the County Road 115 intersection to Farm-to-Market Road 333 in Precinct 1; (See Commissioners, Page 8)

## NEWSBRIEFS

**Telephone survey in progress**  
The Texas A&M University Recreation, Park and Tourism Science Class, under the direction of Dr. Carson Watt, is conducting a telephone survey. They plan to survey around 400 households for this senior class project which began Feb. 15. The results will be used as a part of the County Park and Recreation Master Plan. Your cooperation is important.

**Defensive driving course set**  
A Saturday defensive driving course has been set for Feb. 18 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Mansfield Building, 930 Travis Street in Columbus. There will also be a class on Feb. 28 from 8 to 3 p.m. at the Wintermann Library in Eagle Lake. For more information call 409-543-7849, 234-5411 or 1-800-285-8297.

**Time to turn in Duck Stamps**  
With the close of goose hunting season, this Saturday, Feb. 19, all clubs and guides are reminded to turn in all extra Federal Duck Stamps by Friday, Feb. 24. Two or more stamp sets may be returned for full face value. Single stamps can not be returned, per postal regulations.

**City Offices closed for holiday**  
Eagle Lake City Hall will be closed Monday, Feb. 20, in observance of President's Day. There will be no garbage pickup. Monday's route will be picked up on Tuesday; Tuesday's will be picked up Wednesday. Crews will then resume normal garbage pickup dates.

**Play auditions being held in Wharton**  
Community Theatre of Wharton (the Footlights) will hold read-fronscript auditions for "You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown" at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 19, and at 6:30 p.m. Monday, Feb. 20, in the Footlighter Meeting Room located at 124 S. Houston Street (Upstairs). Six young adults for three or four male roles and two or three females roles are needed. For more information call 409-292-2970.

**Ministerial Alliance Blood Drive**  
The semi-annual blood drive of the Eagle Lake Ministerial Alliance will be conducted at City Hall on Thursday, Feb. 23, from noon to 6 p.m. The Gulf Coast Medical Blood Center Bloodmobile will be parked outside City Hall. The need for blood in area hospitals is critical, especially for Type O, both positive and negative. Please make this vital offering.

**Crimestoppers St. Patrick's Day dance**  
Eagle Lake Crimestoppers annual St. Patrick's Day Benefit Dance and Auction is set for March 18 from 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. The dance will take place at the Eagle Lake KC Hall. The public is invited to attend.

**County Fair Junior Livestock Exhibits**  
Members of the Colorado County Fair Livestock Committee met recently to begin making plans for the 1995 County Fair to be held Sept. 14-17. Order dates for turkeys and broilers, owner requirements for fryer rabbits and tag in dates for market steer, market lambs, commercial heifers, market hogs and market goats were set by the committee. For more information, call the County Extension Office in Columbus.

## County grand jury issues 22 indictments

Twenty-two indictments were issued by the Feb. 1995 term of the Colorado County Grand Jury last Thursday, Feb. 9. Of the 22, five were issued sealed; two remained sealed as of Monday, Feb. 13.

Two of the three arrested in connection with the theft of Delano Frnk's FFA hog, Timothy Paul Jones and Cameron Wade Muzzy, were indicted for theft of livestock.

Also indicted were Clayton Miller for burglary of a building on or about Dec. 23, 1994; Jonathan Buddy Pendarvis, burglary of a building, 12-23-94; Tyrone Miller, burglary of a habitation, 1-13-95; Sherman Wilson, deadly conduct (discharging a firearm at and in the direction of two persons), 1-30-95; Anthony Grafe, theft (a Case backhoe from Barner Equipment), 2-24-94; Gary Austin, burglary of a habitation, 12-15-94; Kevin Earl Evans, burglary of a building (Columbus High School), 12-11-94; Cheri House, attempted murder of Kay McGarity), 12-22-94; Christopher Michael Dobbins, deadly conduct and aggravated assault, 12-26-94; Jason Theodore Lange, theft (jewelry and camera), 12-26-94; Gabriel Angel Garcia, indecency with a child, 11-27-94; Eugene Lamar Guyon Jr., injury to an elderly individual, 11-15-94; Gabino Huerto, indecency with a child, 1-18-95; Timothy Gerald Leopold, possession of a controlled substance (less than 1 gram of cocaine), 10-15-94; Jose Socorro Gomez, obstruction of a public servant (injury of Officer Eric Hart), 12-21-94; Juventino Alvarez, driving while intoxicated (felony), 9-24-94; Alfred Sebastian Vargas, driving while intoxicated (felony), 9-11-94; and Sally Ann Goodwin, theft (of Aid to Families with Dependent Children and Food Stamps), July to Dec. 1992

Displayed above are the cash and drugs confiscated in New Town last week. (See additional picture, Page 8.) Photo Courtesy of Sheriff's Dept.

## Police to receive new patrol cars

By Lynda Appelt, Contributing Writer

The City of Eagle Lake will soon have three new patrol cars following approval by the Eagle Lake City Council at a special meeting last week.

Action was postponed at a previous meeting due to the City's cash flow and some legal question on the bid specifications.

City Manager Ron Holland reported that the City's tax collection

has increased from 30% collection reported in Jan. to 78.78%.

According to Holland, the City's cash flow is still in a crisis situation, but "the patrol cars are in a worse crisis with one and sometimes two in the shop all the time."

"We need the cars... it's just a matter now as to where we get them," said Holland.

The cars were budgeted for this fiscal year.

The called meeting became necessary when it was learned that Feb. 15 would be the last chance to order the production model quoted in the bids received at the Jan. meeting.

"If we're going to buy police cars, we have to act now," said Holland.

Mayor Robby Cook told Council he had studied the bid specification question and determined that Council could split the purchase of the three vehicles.

Council approved a 1994 Caprice as bid by Lake Motors of Eagle Lake for \$15,368.39 and two 1994 Ford Crown Victorias bid by Von-Wil Ford of Wharton at \$15,420.95 each.

The three vehicles will be leased for three years with any payment of approximately \$16,000 made each year. At the end of a three-year leasing period, the cars will be purchased for \$1.

Council again spent a considerable amount of time discussing solid waste collection with representatives from the two companies, B.F.I. and Waste Management Inc., who are vying for the bid.

## Eagle Lake Police report variety of calls over week

On Feb. 10 at 10:50 p.m. Officer Davis stopped a vehicle in reference to a hit and run which had occurred on South McCarty and Austin Street at about 11 p.m.

Jesus Picasso Morales of Weimar was arrested for driving while intoxicated and transported to the county jail for confinement.

Quintana Cabeno of Columbus, a passenger in the vehicle, was arrested for public intoxication and also transported to the county jail for confinement.

On Feb. 11 Officer Clem Johnson was dispatched to a Street in reference to a fight in progress. A report was taken and charges are to be filed.

Officer Eric Bilbo was dispatched to East Waverly on Feb. 11 in reference to a report of criminal mischief. The case is under investigation.

A theft was reported to Officer Bilbo on Feb. 11 by a subject who flagged Officer Bilbo. This case is also under investigation.

Officer Stephen Smith was dispatched to North Lake Street in reference to a theft. After the suspect was located, the stolen paper returned. The complainant requested non-prosecution.

Officer Davis was dispatched to a fight in progress at El Zorpe Bar on Feb. 11.

Marty Mascias was arrested for

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## COLUMBUS LIVESTOCK AUCTION REPORT

Columbus Livestock Auction Inc. Sale Every Thursday at 11:30 a.m.

We will be on the air at KULM, Columbus, every Wednesday from 6:30 to 6:45 a.m., and every Thursday, live at ring side from 2:05 to 2:20 p.m.

The market was very active to strong on good quality calves and the plainer calves were steady. We had a lot of buyers on hand and a few new buyers on hand, which make for a good market.

The packer cows, bull were \$2 to \$6 hundred dollars higher. We had approximately 150 head.

If we can help you with marketing your livestock, please call George Hagan or Art Moeller at 409-732-2622 or 1-800-944-2622.

If you need a truck or trailer or man to work your cattle, we're as near as your telephone. Out of town call collect. Your calls are welcome.

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"We are at your service 24 hours a day, seven days a week," says George, Art, Ken, Roy, Max and Charley. "We appreciate your business."

**Market Report for Feb. 2, 1995**

Cattle on hand: 1216; sheep and goats; 6; horses; 5;

Packer Cows: higher dressing utility and cutter cows, 40-55¢ per lb.; lower dressing utility and cutter cows, 40-45¢; light weight canner cows, 32-40¢;

Packer Bulls: heavyweight bulls, 53-59¢ per lb.; utility and cutter bulls, 45-53¢; light weight canner bulls, 42-45¢.

Stocker/Feeder Calves/Yearlings

Steers #1: 100-200 lbs. \$1.00-1.45; 200-300 lbs. \$1.05-1.20; 300-400 lbs. \$1.09-1.11; 400-

500 lbs. \$1.15-1.02; 500-600 lbs. \$0.90-; 600-700 lbs. 72-80¢;

Steers #2: 100-200 lbs. \$0.84-1.00; 200-300 lbs. \$0.88-1.04; 300-400 lbs. \$0.92-1.08; 400-500 lbs. \$0.97-1.13; 500-600 lbs. \$0.92-1.08; 600-700 lbs. 72-83¢;

Heifers #1: 100-200 lbs. \$0.84-1.00; 200-300 lbs. \$1.03-1.18; 300-400 lbs. \$0.88-1.02; 400-500 lbs. \$0.93-1.09; 500-600 lbs. 72-83¢; 600-700 lbs. 70-79¢;

Heifers #2: 100-200 lbs. 75-95¢; 200-300 lbs. 67-93¢; 300-400 lbs. 68-88¢; 400-500 lbs. 65-83¢; 500-600 lbs. 63-72¢; 600-700 lbs. 60-65¢;

Stocker Cows: good stocker cows & heifers, 50-57¢/lb.; medium stocker cows & heifers, 45-50¢/lb.; good cow & calf pairs, \$800-850 pr.; medium cow & calf pairs, \$700-800 pr.; common cow & calf pairs, \$600-700 pr.

**Columbus Livestock Auction will be having a special sale on Thursday, Feb. 9, at 1 p.m.**

They are expecting 300 head and a few breeding age bulls. Early consignments are: 100 Crossbred (middle age) cows, some with calves at side, balance are heavy bred; 38 Brangus Heifers (bred to black bulls); 30 Crossbred (middle aged) cow/calf pairs; 12 Brangus cow/calf pairs.

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## Singles dance Feb. 24

Fort Bend Singles are sponsoring a dance on Friday, Feb. 24, at 8 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Needville. Music will be provided by the City-Peña Boys. There will be door prizes and the public is welcome. For more information, call 232-4782 or 409-793-4573.

## World Day of Prayer

World Day of Prayer is set for Friday, March 3, at 9:30 a.m. at the First Presbyterian Church of Eagle Lake. The theme is "The Earth is the House for All People". The public is invited to participate.

## Chili cook-off March 5

East Bernard Fair Fund has scheduled their chili cook-off on Saturday, March 5, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Riverside Hall Pavilion. There is no charge to enter the hall, but donations will be accepted. All proceeds will benefit local FFA and 4-H members at the Wharton County Youth Fair.

## Brazoria 4-H looking for fair projects

Members of the Brazoria 4-H are looking for the following animals to purchase and raise for their county fair projects: heifers, steers, lambs, rabbits, swine, chicken and turkeys. If you raise any of these animals for sale, please contact George Morgan at 409-798-8464 or Cathy Dube at 798-8575.

## Prairie Edge needs memorabilia

The Prairie Edge Museum is in need of historical memorabilia from the Altair and from Sheridan for display cases in the museum. Materials from the hotel in Sheridan or old advertising such as calendars would be appropriate for the exhibits. Anyone having material to donate, please contact Curators William Hamilton Sr. or Rollin Baker.

## Were you a Girl Scout?

South-Texas Girl Scout Council is looking for Girl Scout alumnae! No matter where you were a Girl Scout, no matter when, they want to hear from you. Events are being planned to gather all former Girl Scouts for a reunion. Please call 409-297-3556 or 800-932-5556 to sign up. No obligations or fees are involved.

## Coloring, poster entries on display

A selection from the coloring and posters from the contest sponsored by the directors of the Colorado County Soil and Water Conservation District will be on display at financial institutions and libraries in Columbus, Eagle Lake and Weimar beginning the first week of Feb. The entries will remain on display for several weeks.