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# To The Editor & You

## Where were you Saturday night?

prevalent at last year's dance prior to their elections). I wish to thank those supporters who attended. I hope that they enjoyed both the dance and the demonstrations by the Eagle Lake Police Department. Additional gratitude is extended to the donors of the auction items as well as the buyers. Remember, without our support, programs such as Crime Stoppers can not function.

## We need everyone's help!

Dear Editor: We have been working very hard to make this First Annual Attwater's Prairie Chicken Festival a success. Now, we need your help. We were fortunate to attract some generous corporate sponsors who will be represented here during the Festival. Let's do all we can as Eagle Lake citizens to make this FIRST annual festival just that... the first of MANY!

## Hospital is a wonderful asset

Dear Editor: What a wonderful asset we have in Eagle Lake Community Hospital! Jim Buckner, Sherri Gould and the staff did a terrific job on Tuesday, March 14, as they escorted the second graders from Eagle Lake Primary School around the building. The second graders were able to see many jobs that are part of the general field of medicine. As a result, our students can begin to dream about their futures in the work world. Today's children are tomorrow's workforce. Thanks ELCH. Our children appreciate you.

Eagle Lake Citizen Name Withheld By Request

Sincerely, Helen F. Craig, Committee Member, Attwater's Prairie Chicken Festival

Sincerely, Claudia Mann, Counselor Eagle Lake Primary School

# An Important Message for CPL Customers

Recently you may have read or heard about a plan proposing "competition and choice in the generation of electricity" with the implication that everyone's electric bill would go down if that happens. If you think that sounds too good to be true, you're right.

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on our business, but the strong commitment to our customers and communities remains. Contrary to the self-serving efforts of a few special interest groups, the state's electric utilities have proposed legislation to increase competition in a way that will benefit all consumers. The proposal would open the wholesale generation market to all who want to participate, thus allowing every consumer to benefit from the least costly sources of power. Unlike the unregulated power producers' scheme, no consumers or group of consumers would face higher rates so a few could pay less.

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The Hospital has significant debt, which is somewhat difficult to deal with in exact terms because of transactions between the Hospital and its fund raising arm and because of the changing accounts receivable/accruals payable picture. There appears to be a debt to one lender of about \$500,000, a debted to purchase of a facility in Sealy, Texas, of about \$200,000, and there is probably a negative difference between accounts receivable and accounts payable of at least \$100,000. The Hospital continues to operate during the period leading up to a vote on the tax district and until such time as revenue can be realized from the tax district. I have asked when the proposed district would realize its first revenue from taxpayers, and I was told this would be Jan. 1996. I asked if this would be revenue from May 6, 1994, until Dec. 31, 1995, and I was told that the Hospital Board did not know. I then asked if they were expecting to collect a retroactive tax, that is, tax for the entire year of 1995, and I was told that they did not know. I seems to me



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# COLORADO COUNTY COURTHOUSE REPORT

**DEEDS**  
Deed: John E. Meisner, et al. to Joella M. Vaclak, et al. in five tracts of land in the Cyrus Wickson Survey, et al; filed 1-26-95.  
Gift Deed: D.C. Fehrenkamp, et al. to David Charles Fehrenkamp, et al., ind. int. in 106.914 acres in the Peter Piper Survey, A-447; 1-26-95.  
Deed: Clara Mae Disher to Milton Joe Hoffman, et al., 101 acres in the W.W. Thompson League; 1-27-95.  
Deed: Hill Bank & Trust Company to Charles Glueck, et al., 18.50 acres in the M.L. Bolton Survey, A-101; 1-27-95.  
Deed: Mary Bohac to Jo Ann Barstosh, et al., Lots 5 and 6, Block 80, Haver Addition to the City of Weimar; 1-27-95.  
Gift Deed: Mary Elizabeth Baker et vir to Elizabeth Alice Baker Prescott, ind. int. in two (2) tracts of land in the H.F. & B. Railroad Survey, A-345, et al.; 1-27-95.  
Deed: Estate of Albertha I. Rasmussen to Melvin A. Rasmussen, ind. int. to all oil, gas and other minerals, in 529 acres of the Robert Mills Survey, et al.; 1-27-95.  
Deed: Estate of Albertha I. Rasmussen to Robert Rasmussen, ind. int. in 529 acres out of the Robert Mills Survey, et al.; 1-27-95.  
Deed: Estate of Albertha I. Rasmussen to Ernest Fields, et al., ind. int. in 529 acres out of the Robert Mills Survey, et al.; 1-27-95.  
Deed: Willie Eugenia Brown to Ernest Fields, et al., ind. int. in 529 acres out of the Robert Mills Survey, et al.; 1-27-95.  
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Deed: KCT Railway Corp. to David Delgado and Victoria Sepeda Delgado, KCT Railway Corp., 1.26 acres in Colorado County; 1-30-95.  
Deed: Alta Marie Barten to Danny Lee Wooten and Melinda L. Wooten, 2.7 acres, out of the E.J. Barten in the J. Cummins League; 1-30-95.  
Deed: Lester Schoellmann to Scott McCuskey, et al., Lots No. 202 and 203 of Lake Sheridan Estates, out of the Ludwig Lindstrand Survey, A-384; 1-30-95.  
Deed: Johnny Hobbs Jr., et al. to Frank W. Rodgers, et al., Lots 1, 2, 3 and 5, 1/2 of Lots 8 and 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 in Block 47, in the Town of Sheridan; 1-30-95.  
Deed: Janet Rodgers Neustadt to Robert R. Graham, et al., 44.985 acres out of the James O. Farrell League, A-36; 1-30-95.  
Deed: Evelyn Shumbara to Charlie Marx, et al., 10.1548 acres out of the R.M. Johnson Survey, A-364; 1-31-95.  
Deed: Jessie James Brown to Ruth Turner, Lot six (6) in Block four (4) of B.W. McCarty, in the City of Eagle Lake; 1-31-95.  
Deed: Ruth Turner to Joyce Hancock, Lot Six (6), in Block Four (4) of B.E. McCarty in the City of Eagle Lake; 1-31-95.  
Deed: Timothy John Strunk to Myrtle Schindler, tract of land in the H. Austin 5 League, A-4, City of Weimar, Block No. 100; 2-1-95.  
Deed: Allen C. Bollier, et al. to James W. Wallace, et al., ind. int. in 151.44 acres of the F.A. Zimmerscheidt League, A-629; 2-1-95.  
Deed: Zenith C. Vern, et al. to Randy

Rives, et al., 0.5431 acre, in the W.B. Deewees Survey, A-18, Hodde Subdivision part of Lot No. 27; 2-1-95.  
Deed: Estate of James Dennis Gertson Jr., to Thurston A. Webb, et al., 0.2422 acres, a part of Lots Nos. 1 and 2 of the Griffin Addition to the City of Eagle Lake; 2-1-95.  
Deed: Anton J. Freis Jr., et al. to David Smith, et al., 21.198 acres, out of the Henry Austin Five Leagues Grant, A-4; 2-2-95.  
Deed: R.M. Fitzgerald Jr., to Beth F. Skidmore and Elizabeth L. Fitzgerald, three (3) tracts of land in Colorado County, a part of the R. Alley Survey, et al.; 2-2-95.  
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Gift Deed: George B. Coyle to Michael A. Coyle, et al., 127.85 acres in the B.S.&F. (N. Astx) Survey No. 796, A0820; 2-2-95.  
Deed: Delores Fehrenkamp Purcell to R. Scott Sturges, et al., 53.336 acres out of the Howard McElroy League Survey, A-32; 2-2-95.  
Deed: Judith Bailey Refo to Arthur Mahalic & Sons Inc., 152.76 acres in the James Nelson Survey, A-35; 2-3-95.  
Gift Deed: Charles J. Marik, et al. to Joyce E. Marik, et al., two (2) tracts of land out of the John Dunlavy Survey, A-165; 2-6-95.  
Gift Deed: C.J. Marik, et al. to Charles W. Wallace, et al., ind. int. in 151.44 acres out of the John Dunlavy Survey, A-165; 2-6-95.  
Gift Deed: Clara Buenger, et vir to

## Former Gov. White backs 'No Pass'

Former Gov. Mark White last week told lawmakers that the no pass, no play rule is doing what it was designed for - keeping kids in the classroom. White, a Democrat who was governor when the Legislature passed House Bill 72, the comprehensive school reform measure, told House Public Education Committee members that they should ask for facts. "The dropout theory was - Oh, if you do this, more kids will drop out," White said. "Well, we've been doing it for 10 years, and fewer kids are dropping out than before we had the rule."

Rep. Ron Wilson, D-Houston, has filed a measure that would allow students to remain in extracurricular activities if they maintain an overall grade average of 70% even if failing one or more classes. Wilson's is one of several bills pending in the committee. Some law enforcement officers now blame the no pass, no play rule for increased membership in rule gangs. Lawmakers are considering proposals to shorten the suspension or repeal the rule.

The Senate Education Committee earlier endorsed a measure that would cut the no pass, no play penalty to three weeks the first time a student fails a class. "That amendment hasn't got the votes to pass in the Senate," Bullock said. The proposal by Sen. David Sibley, R-Waco, would forbid the state, counties, cities, and schools from discriminating against or giving preferential treatment to a person because of race, gender, sexual orientation, color,

## State Capitol Highlights

By Lyndell Williams and Ed Sterling Texas Press Association

evolve "into a debate or a deliberation on matters of public policy, including the expenditure of public money." His bill would require a briefing session to be subject to the same open government requirements - including posting notice - as other meetings if it met certain conditions. Among lawmakers opposing the measure was Sen. John Montford, D-Lubbock. "I don't need government to reach over my shoulder when I'm at the Dairy Queen with a staff member and a few other members of the Senate Finance Committee to tell me what I can talk about," Montford said.

**Affirmative Action Bill**  
A proposal to make racial and gender preferences unconstitutional won't clear the Senate, Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock has predicted. "That amendment hasn't got the votes to pass in the Senate; it hasn't got the votes to pass in the House," Bullock said. The proposal by Sen. David Sibley, R-Waco, would forbid the state, counties, cities, and schools from discriminating against or giving preferential treatment to a person because of race, gender, sexual orientation, color,

**Other Highlights**  
"Calling nighttime hours a good way to relieve crowded Texas court dockets, Lt. Gov. Bullock believes that the state should pick up the estimated \$28.8 million annual cost of extending court hours. Under a bill by Sen. Montford, the hours of the district courts would be increased from 40 to 72 a week in the eight largest counties. "Texans overwhelmingly want a chance to vote on legalizing casinos, according to a poll released last week. The survey of 800 registered voters by the Combined Law Enforcement Associations of Texas, found that 88% of those surveyed want a chance to vote on legalizing casinos, and 9% said they didn't. The rest were undecided.

**Cisneros Probe Widens**  
HUD Secretary Henry Cisneros misled the FBI about payments to his former mistress, Attorney General Janet Reno said last week when she asked for an independent counsel to investigate the charges. The former San Antonio mayor vowed to fight the charges and remain head of the Housing and Urban Development Department. Cisneros told reports he had not "engaged in criminal wrongdoing" nor violated to public trust. He said he saw no reason to resign. Later, a White House spokesman said Cisneros offered to resign, but the President "said that would not be necessary."

**Civil Suits**  
Robert Hinton Sr. vs Darrell David Kansteiner and Katherine Ann Kansteiner, clear title; filed 3-6-95. First Deposit National Bank vs Ruth Ponick, suit on account; 3-30-95.

**DIVORCES FILED**  
Carroll Wayne Ayers and Deanthia Kay Brown Ayers; filed March 10, 1995.

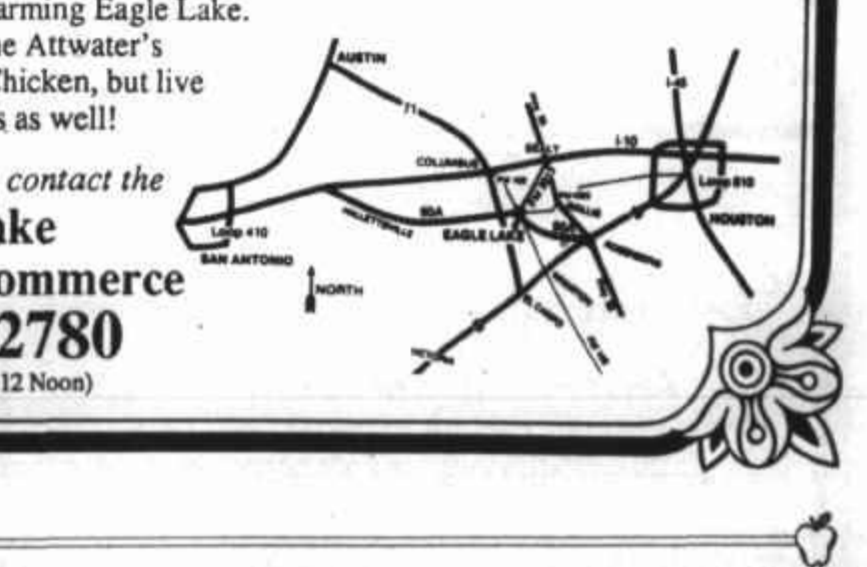
**MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATIONS**  
Gregory Kyle Blair, 23, and Melissa Blair 20, both from Eagle Lake. Keith Ray Martindale, 19, and Christy Lynn Spencer, 21, both from Weimar.

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