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Howard honored as achiever

Lionnie L. Howard, son of Mrs. Mervin and the late Lonnie Howard Sr., was recently honored as one of Houston's Young African-American Achievers at a black-tie gala held at the Sheraton Astrodome Hotel.

Howard was selected for his professional and civic accomplishments. Among these is his appointment as the first Black administrator at San Jacinto College (North) where he also serves as Chairman of the Welding Technology Department.

Also to his credit, Howard has dedicated much of his time to community service.

He has worked with the Houston

Food Bank, Boy Scouts of America, Big Brothers and Sisters Foundation of Houston, Children's Protective Services and the Houston Achievement Place serving as a therapeutic foster-care parent for disabled children.

When asked how he felt about receiving this award, Howard stated, "I'm delighted to receive such a prestigious commendation, however, I realize I can never be successful until my community is successful. And we must do all that we can do to reach back and help others."

"We should never forget the fact that, after all, someone helped us."



Lionnie L. Howard

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 airing side from 2:05 to 2:20 p.m.

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Results

Not near as many voters were concerned with the City of Eagle Lake election or the two seats on the Rice School Board.

The City reported 211 ballots cast Saturday and 7 early or absentee ballots.

J.W. Shavers garnered 158 votes and incumbent René Cooper-Scott pulled in 178.

Mary Faichtinger, from the Rice Administration Office, reported 1,016 ballots in the school board election, even though this choice was in the same buildings as the hospital district decision.

Shortly before 2 p.m. voting day, the list of hospital district voters was finishing up page 20 (each with 25 signatures), while right on the other side of the entry, school board voters' were signing page 16.

	Eagle Lake	Garwood	Sheridan	Absentee	Total
Position #5					
Robin Thomas	580	186	126	1	893
Position #4					
Jack Vawter	539	187	142	1	869
Ballots cast	649	213	163	1	1026

Foot Facts

By Dr. Eric R. Tepper, Podiatrist

ON THE TRAIL OF FUNGUS NAIL

You first may notice an odd tint to your toenails, perhaps with yellow, white, or brown streaks. In time, the nails might seem to thicken and lift from the toe. Nails may even begin to grow in strange formations, such as sideways or back toward the toe. These symptoms are characteristics of a condition called fungus nail, in which a fungus similar to that of so-called athlete's foot grows up under the nail. If left unchecked, fungus nail can seriously damage the underlying nail plate and matrix. Because the condition tends to advance slowly, however, it can progress for some time before being caught. Treatment may involve use of topical and oral medications, and, in severe cases, surgery.

If a fungus nail or other nail problem does manage to get past your regular regimen of good foot care, don't try to treat it yourself. "Bathtub surgery" is often responsible for even more damage and prolonged discomfort. Instead, visit your podiatrist for quick, efficient, appropriate treatment. We treat all kinds of feet for all kinds of problems, with an emphasis on in-office surgical correction of chronic foot and ankle problems. Located at the Eagle Lake Community Hospital, I am available the first and third Tuesdays of the month. Call 234-5571.

P.S. Fungus nail can also be a sign of serious illness, such as diabetes.

Board

The Board regarding requirements for achieving honor graduate status, specifically with reference to AP and PAP coursework requirements.

At the April 24 meeting, in response to a question raised by Holden, the Board agreed that the original intent of the policy was as follows:

Four AP/PAP courses must be taken in a student's junior and senior years, two such courses in each of those years, in order for a student to be granted honor graduate status.

Holden addressed the board on behalf of this year's junior class, who according to Holden, entered Rice High School under a different policy change and was not made aware of the policy change.

"This class has been caught up in the administrative flip-flop of soon-to-be-four different principals" said Holden.

According to Holden, a student who has taken eight AP/PAP classes during the freshmen and sophomore years and maintained a 3.0 or better required grade point average can't be an honor graduate while a fellow classmate can take only four such courses during the junior and senior years with a 3.0 or better and be an honor graduate.

"Something seems to be grossly out of whack," said Holden.

Since the policy has been questioned on previous occasions, Gott and acting high school principal Fred Grammann, who made the most recent interpretation of the policy, recommended language clarification.

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Blind and Visually Impaired and Timothy Gregory for counseling services;

- Announced the closing of the central office of vacation June 26-30; and
- Discussed the employee picnic to be held May 26.

Commissioners

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Riceland Regional Mental Health Authority;

- Approved a request to use the fountain area of the Courthouse square for a wedding on June 3;
- Approved an interlocal agreement with Wharton County for the purchase of a 1989 maintenance for Precinct 1 at a cost of \$35,000;
- Accepted the resignation of Joe Fling as public defender; appointed Calvin Garvie as interim public defender and appointed Fling as assistant county attorney;
- Accepted the letter of resignation of the Rev. Larry Burney as Section 8 housing administrator; and
- Tabled bids for radio console equipment and radio equipment for the Colorado County Detention Center and bids for construction of bridges at four sites in Pct. 4 until May 22.

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City sales tax rebate up again

"Despite another month of record employment, local sales tax payments to Texas cities and counties 'cooled' somewhat last month," State Comptroller John Sharp said last week as he delivered rebates to 1,076 Texas cities and 111 counties.

The City of Eagle Lake received a check for \$18,153.68, 53.35% higher than the \$11,837.35 last May. According to Sharp, Texas businesses (See Sales, Page 8)

Watch for 'Salute to Rice Seniors' Included in next week's Headlight.

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National Emergency Medical Services Week

Mayor Robby Cook recently signed a proclamation officially making May 14-20 Emergency Medical Services Week in Eagle Lake.

With Cook are the active members of Unit 803, Colorado County Volunteer Emergency Ambulance Corps, housed in Eagle Lake: standing, John Mahallito, Joe Lae Perez, Jim Clipson, Dorothy Flores, Jim Buckner and Eva Locklear; seated are Carolyn Baird, Cook and Sylvia Contreras. (See related story, Page 3)

Suspect arrested in Cupboard robbery

A suspect has been arrested in the aggravated robbery at the Cupboard which occurred on May 5.

The suspect was arrested in Eagle Lake without incident Monday evening, May 15, by Sgt. Clem Johnson and Officers Eric Hart and Carl Risk. Charges are pending.

The Eagle Lake Police Department reported the following additional cases for the week ending Monday, May 15.

On May 9, at 11:50 p.m., Officer Jeremy Moore was dispatched to a residence on Union Street in reference to an assault. William Scott was arrested for assault, processed at the police department and later transported to the county jail for confinement.

On May 9, at 8:40 p.m., Officer Moore was dispatched to a two-vehicle accident at Main and Boothe Streets. Gerald Clipson, driving a 1983 S-10 pickup was traveling east on Main Street, while Jerry Bart Jackson, driving a 1991 Ford pickup, was west bound on Main. Clipson's vehicle struck the left front of the Jackson vehicle. Clipson was cited for failure to yield right of way.

On May 10 at 1:15 p.m., Officer Moore was contacted at the police department in reference to a burglary of a motor vehicle and the case is under investigation.

Officer Brian Ochoa, while on patrol on May 12, met with a complainant who reported tires slashed and the case is under investigation.

Officer Hart met with a complainant at the police department on May 12 and advised Hart of a burglary of a habitation. The case is under investigation.

On May 12 at 11:50 a.m., Officer Hart met with a complainant at the police department. He reported his vehicle had been stolen. A report was taken and the vehicle was entered into the computer as stolen. On May 16, the complainant came to the police department and reported that his vehicle had been returned to him and he didn't want to press any charges.

Officer Hart is investigating a report of criminal mischief that occurred on W. Main and reported to him on May 12.

A report of criminal mischief was filed with Officer Anthony Silva on May 12 at 8:15 p.m. The case is under investigation.

Albert Barrios was arrested on May 12 for resisting arrest and obstruction by Officer Silva, assisted by Officer Steve Hassin. He was processed at the police department and transported to the county jail for confinement.

Sgt. Johnson took a report of a runaway on May 13. The child returned home later.

Sgt. Johnson is investigating a report of burglary at a residence on Campo Rosa Road reported May 13 at 1:03 a.m.

Also on May 13 at 7:28 a.m., a report of a burglary of a motor vehicle was filed with Sgt. Johnson and the case is under investigation.

On May 13 at 5:04 p.m., while making a traffic stop, Officer Brian Baklik arrested Monique Michelle McDaniels for driving while license suspended. She was processed at the police department then transported to the county jail for confinement.

On the same traffic stop, Eric Troy Prince was arrested on outstanding DPS warrants, processed and transported to the county jail for confinement.

On May 13 at 6:05 p.m., Officer Jack Knox was dispatched to the 300 Block of Stevenson Street in reference to criminal mischief. A report was taken, evidence collected and the case is under investigation.

On May 14 at 12 a.m., Officers Ochoa and Baklik were dispatched to Stevenson's Bar in reference to a disturbance. Oscar Thomas Jr. and Willie Frasier Jr. were arrested for public intoxication. (See Police, Page 6)

New police chief sworn in...

Duarte agrees to fill vacancy on Council

Mike Duarte was appointed by the Eagle Lake City Council to fill his own council seat at last week's regular monthly meeting.

The terms of Duarte, René Cooper-Scott and Joe Frasier, expired. At sign-up time, Frasier and Duarte decided not to seek re-election.

Scott and J.W. Shavers ran unopposed and were elected, leaving one vacant seat. Council holds authority to appoint someone to fill that seat for one year and Duarte agreed to the appointment.

Mayor Robby Cook told Duarte, "There are lots of changes and exciting things going on with our City right now. You have worked hard on most (See Council, Page 8)



Eagle Lake's new police chief, Keith Webb, took his oath of office during last week's Council meeting from Mayor Robby Cook, left, as Webb's wife, Wanda, looks on.

NEWSBRIEFS

Legionnaires to place flags

Members of American Legion Post 108 will decorate graves of deceased veterans with flags in observance of Memorial Day, May 29. Legionnaires will place flags on graves on Saturday, May 27, at 9 a.m. Flags will remain until May 31. If a grave is missed, please call 234-2478 or 234-2065.

Rock Island homecoming

The Annual Homecoming and Memorial Day Service of the Myrtle Cemetery Association will be held at the former Rock Island School gym on Sunday, May 28. A beef and sausage dinner with trimmings, dessert and tea or coffee will be served at noon. Adult plates are \$6; children \$3.50. The memorial services and program start at 1 p.m.

ELPS open meeting tonight

Parents of Eagle Lake Primary School students and interested persons are invited and encouraged to participate in an open meeting Thursday, May 18, at 5 p.m. The meeting is to inform everyone of the requirements for participation and their right to be involved in Title I, Part A, formerly Chapter 1.

Reception planned for new principal

A brief reception to introduce Dr. Curtis Miles, new principal at Rice High School, will be held immediately prior to the Academic Banquet on Thursday, May 18, at R.H.S. Parents, students and others planning to attend the banquet are invited to arrive at 6:30 p.m. to meet and visit with Dr. Miles.

Parish of the Nativity annual picnic June 11

The Parish of the Nativity Annual Picnic will be held on June 11 at the KC Hall in Eagle Lake. The hall is located on Hwy. 90 and FM 3013. A chicken fried steak dinner will be served starting at 11 a.m. There will be an auction, drawing and games. For more information call 409-234-2842.

One-Act play is Sunday

The Rice High School One-Act Play, *The Doctor in Spite of Himself*, which won the district UIL competition, will be performed locally at the Prairie Edge Museum on Sunday, May 21. Tickets will be \$5 per person. Contact Kelly Thomson at 234-5179 or Kate Weller at 234-5234 for more information.

Gospel program at Greater Mt. Olive

There will be a gospel program Saturday, May 20, at 6:30 p.m. at the Greater Mt. Olive Baptist Church. "Women in Hats", Men in Black and White sponsored by Eagle Lake Community Cemetery Organization. Rev. Coby Shorter Jr., will bring the memorial message. Donations will be appreciated to help keep the cemetery clean.

Defensive Driving courses set

A Saturday defensive driving course has been stated by Gene Croemans in Columbus on May 20 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Mansfield Building, 930 Travis Street. A course will also be held in Eagle Lake at the Wintermann Library on Saturday, May 27, from 8-3 p.m. To register, call 543-7849 or 1-800-285-8297 for the Eagle Lake class call 234-5411. Walk-ins are welcome.

Make a donation - make a difference

May 23 will be "Run for Cystic Fibrosis Cap Day" at Eagle Lake Primary School. P.E. classes in grades 1-3 will be wearing caps and participating in class relays and long distance runs. If you would like to make a donation to help in C.F. research, call the ELPS office at 234-5585 or Lynda Appelt at the school or at home, 234-5878.

New principal on board at high school

Miles began his assignment on the high school campus Monday.

He has been principal of Bullard High School since 1992. Previously, he was principal of Sadler High School and West Texas State School in Poyte.

Miles has been an educator since 1979 when he began his teaching career in La Marque.

A certified mid-management administrator and superintendent of the state of Texas, Miles attended East Texas State University in Commerce, University of Houston-Clear Lake and Sam Houston State University. He earned his master's degree from Houston's Clear Lake campus.

"I plan to do my very best to provide the students with the best learning environment possible," said Miles. "I hope to give them a disciplined and well-managed school with as many educational opportunities as the staff and I can provide," said Miles.

Miles' wife of 24 years, Laura, is a kindergarten teacher. They are the parents of two children, a son, Christopher, who is in his third year at the Air Force Academy, and a daughter, Amber, who just finished her second year at Tyler Junior College.

Board sworn in... Rice Hospital District holds first meeting

The first meeting of the Rice Hospital District Board, held May 15, began with a review of the May 6 election, the results of which had been canvassed by the Colorado County Commissioners' Court on May 8.

It was noted that hospital administration had received some inquiries regarding the election process. The Commissioners' Court, by law, ordered the election; and it was conducted by the County Clerk's office. Therefore, all inquiries concerning the election are being referred to the offices of Colorado County Judge Vince Slominski and/or County Clerk Darlene Hayek.

The Board members took their oaths of office from Bill Cline, an attorney and notary public with the law firm of Davis and Davis of Austin. Cline was accompanied by Tony Bradley, a partner of the same firm, who provided the Board with an education in how to conduct a meeting (See Board, Page 8)



This group of happy folks gathered Saturday morning, May 13, to officially open the "new" Lake Motors (holding their son John), Chamber Secretary Wanda Gott, and Jerry Retsch, in the back row are David and Janie Buock (customers from Wharton), Richard Gott (Rice CISD superintendent), Marion Burke, Chamber President Doug Schermann, Becky Anderson and City Manager Ron Holland. Peeking over the top of Virginia Reed's head is Noble Anderson. (See related story and more pictures, Page 8)

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