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# Insurance rate reductions to be decided soon

Seven weeks after lawmakers told consumers to expect substantial savings in insurance rates because of civil justice reform, insurers pleaded with Insurance Commissioner Elton Bomer to use restraint in deciding how much to lower rates.

The 1995 Legislature approved mandatory rate rollbacks to make certain consumers and businesses realize the savings resulting from civil justice reform. Lawmakers, however, left it up to Bomer to determine the actual amounts.

The Department of Insurance is to recommend reduction amounts before the end of July, and Bomer said he will decide on them before Oct. 1. The reductions would go into effect Jan. 1.



**State Capitol Highlights**  
 By Lyndell Williams  
 and Ed Sterling  
 Texas Press Association

ing 15% for auto and 5% for homeowners.

But Susan Conway, an attorney representing State Farm Insurance Companies, told Bomer his difficult task is to "identify, anticipate and quantify the future effects of legislative measures that have not gone into effect and may not have an effect for many years."

Rick Gentry, regional vice president of the Insurance Information Institute, an industry group, said anticipating the savings is difficult because there is no past experience upon which to base projections.

Bomer said he is considering ap-

plying auto, homeowners' and renters' rate deductions to premium prices instead of the regulated benchmark rate, which insures use as a guideline in setting individual rates.

Public Insurance Counsel Rod Borden, who represents insurance consumers, said applying the reductions to the premiums would allow policyholders to "actually see and understand the rate reductions as much as they possibly can."

Horse-race Simulcasts Eyed  
 A proposal to allow gambling on horse races televised to county fairs and other small tracks was tentatively approved last week by the Texas Racing Commission.

The commission's horse section unanimously approved the proposal for public comment and is expected to take a final vote at its next meeting on Sept. 12.

Race enthusiasts and track owners said the proposal would generate interest in the state's struggling pari-mutuel industry, which has experienced financial problems since its approval by voters in 1987.

"The commission wants to take whatever steps are necessary to get the product out to the people so that the industry can survive," said Racing Commission Executive Secretary David Freeman.

Legislation legalizing off-track betting, aimed at reviving the industry, failed in the Legislature earlier this year.

Weston Ware, a spokesman for the Baptist Christian Life Commission condemned the proposal, saying that it will dramatically expand gambling in Texas.

"What they are trying to do is open up pari-mutuel gambling all across the state," Ware said. "This is just one

more attempt to rescue a failing industry."

**OK to Confiscate Papers**  
 Texas school districts may confiscate papers leashed by students without violating the constitution, Attorney General Dan Morales ruled last week.

State law prohibits students from having papers in class and at school-related events and says peace officers may confiscate the devices.

In his legal opinion, Morales said that the fact that the paper is leashed rather than owned - by a student doesn't stop schools from enforcing the law.

Morales pointed out that the law was passed because papers in the classroom setting are generally disruptive and facilitate trafficking in illegal drugs.

Morales said requiring the forfeiture of leashed papers is allowed when "notice and opportunity for a hearing are given to affected parties."

**Crime Victims Grant**  
 The U.S. Office for Victims of Crime has awarded a \$12.4 million grant to the state of Texas for its victim compensation program.

The grant includes almost \$7.5 million to supplement state funds used to pay for medical costs, lost wages, counseling and funeral expenses.

The grant also includes about \$4.9 million to support local victims' service agencies, such as domestic violence shelters and rape treatment programs.

# Let's Look Back... 24 & 48 YEARS AGO

**Nov. 12, 1970**  
 Ed Waggoner, athletic director and head coach for Rice Consolidated High School, tendered his resignation to the Rice Board of Education in session Monday night and asked for re-assignment as a classroom teacher for the remainder of the school year...

The Rice High School Future Farmers of America have named Jacquelyn Bauer as their FFA Sweetheart. Janice Popp was named as the freshman FFA Sweetheart...

Death claimed the third victim of the tragic automobile train accident which occurred at Beak Avenue on Saturday morning, Oct. 31. Fourteen year old Guadalupe Soto, one of the three children injured in the accident that killed two women in the crash died Saturday morning Nov. 7, at Ben Taub Hospital in Houston...

Relatives and friends gathered at the Chapel of Mill Bauer Funeral Home in Eagle Lake at 1:30 p.m. Saturday morning, Oct. 31. Fourteen year old Guadalupe Soto, one of the three children injured in the accident that killed two women in the crash died Saturday morning Nov. 7, at Ben Taub Hospital in Houston...

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Nelson and daughter, Linda Jo, Simon McCleod, and Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Randolph spent the weekend in Galveston with Mr. and Mrs. Willie Randow and daughter, Billie Jeannine...

Mr. and Mrs. C.R. Curry and Mr. and Mrs. A.H. Dippel were in Palestine Sunday for a trip along the Dogwood Trail... Interesting news to friends here and in Garwood is the announcement of the engagement of LaVerne Zatopke to Lt. Charles J. Kallina, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Kallina of Garwood, which was revealed by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Zatopke Jr., (See 24 & 48, Page 4)

**Friday, April 18, 1947**  
 The entire community was started and shocked over the tragic news from Texas City on Wednesday morning, and most of the citizens following closely the reports coming from that area all during the day and night... J.M. Hodnett has this week purchased the sand and gravel business from L.L. Starkey...

Mr. Julian Cox and baby, Gary of Atlanta, Ga., are here for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W.C. Elkins... Frank Stephens Co., Harry Land and Excel Smith of Eagle Lake have been added to the list of those donating to the two-way radio system for the sheriff's department.

In a quiet ceremony performed by Rev. O.E. Linstrum at the Methodist parsonage at 9 o'clock Saturday evening, Miss Henriette Balusek, daughter of Mrs. Fannie Balusek, became the bride of Jesse Gray Lockwood, son of Mrs. J.R. Lockwood of Austin...

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**Legal Matters...**

**More heat than light: smoke detector scams**

By Texas Attorney General Dan Morales

Recently, an elderly Killeen woman's home was invaded. A salesperson called, came over, started talking fast, and then proceeded from room to room, installing more than a dozen smoke and heat detectors. He ignored the woman's questions and then presented her with a bill for more than \$2,000. Even though she protested, he refused to leave until she had written him a check.

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# COLORADO COUNTY COURTHOUSE REPORT

**DEEDS**

Deed: Evangelical Free Church of America International to Blair Resources Company, all minerals, royalties and all other interests in 239,070 acres out of the SA&MGR Survey No. 15, A-542; filed 6-19-95.

Deed: Estate of Mildred Lundquist Austin to Blair Resources Company, all minerals royalties and all other interests in 12 tracts of land out of the SA&MGR RR Survey, A-774, et al; 6-19-95.

Deed: Evangelical Free Church of America to Blair Resources Company, all minerals royalties and all other interests in 11 tracts of land out of the SA&MGR RR Survey, A-774, et al; 6-19-95.

Deed: Anita Castillo Contral to Janie Martinez, Lot No. 7, in Block No. 4 of the Lakeside Addition to the City of Eagle Lake; 6-20-95.

Deed: Gregory Allen Stewart to Judy

Co. Survey, A-774, et al; 6-19-95.

Deed: Evangelical Free Church of America to Blair Resources Company, all minerals royalties and all other interests in 160,000 acres of land out of the SA&MGR Survey No. 16, A-774, et al; 6-19-95.

Deed: Evangelical Free Church of America to Blair Resources Company, all minerals royalties and all other interests in 31,928.84 acres of land out of the SA&MGR RR Survey No. 15, A-542, et al; 6-19-95.

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Deed: Gregory Allen Stewart to Judy

Stewart, Lot 6B, 7 and 8A, Dobbins Addition in Eagle Lake; 6-20-95.

Deed: John H. Peters Jr., et ux to Billy W. Brown, et ux, 0.4251 acre, situated in the City of Columbus, Lot 3, Block 58; 6-20-95.

Deed: Billy W. Brown, et ux to Corneilus Klink, et ux, 0.4251 acre, situated in the City of Columbus, Lot 3, Block 58; 6-20-95.

Deed: Junior F. Seindie, et ux to Anthony Richard Kuciemba, et ux, 6-20-95.

Deed: Anita Castillo Contral to Janie Martinez, Lot No. 7, in Block No. 4 of the Lakeside Addition to the City of Eagle Lake; 6-20-95.

Deed: Gregory Allen Stewart to Judy

Hunt League, A-29, et al; 6-20-95.

Deed: James A. Bell and Paula Bell to John R. Edwards and Suzanne C. Edwards, 2.062 acres located in the Franz Renz Survey, A-493; 6-20-95.

Gift Deed: Jesus R. Torres, et ux to Vivian Torres Rios, et ux, two tracts located in the City of Columbus. Part of Original Lot No. 5, in Block 2 of the Smith and Jones Addition, et al; 6-20-95.

Deed: Herman C. Janacek, et ux to Francis Joe Janacek, land in the M. Andrews Survey, A-48, et al; 6-21-95.

Deed: W.P. Phillips, et ux to Pamela R. Herrington, 11,095 acres, out of the James Tumlinson League, A-46; 6-21-95.

Deed: Estate of Ellis Glueck Sr., to Richard Glueck, et al, 5.788 acre tract located in the Columbus Tap Railroad Company Survey No. 665, A-156; 6-22-95.

Deed: Alpha Inveco Corporation to Leo H. Leopold Jr., et ux, 0.316 acre, a part of Subdivisional Lot No. 8 and all of Subdivisional Lot No. 9 and a part of Subdivisional Lot No. 10, in Block No. 53 of the City of Columbus; 6-22-95.

Deed: Carolyn Youens Hastings to Stuart Whitfield Hastid, 0.390 acres, being Lot No. 31 in Block No. 3 of the Youens Addition to the City of Columbus; 6-22-95.

Deed: Adam Moeckel Jr., to Barbara Ann Moeckel, 2,000 acres situated in the P. Splane Survey, A-41; 6-22-95.

Deed: Johnny Hobbs Jr., et ux to Sheridan Parks and Recreation Center Inc., Lots 10, south 1/2 of Lot 11, south 1/2 of Lot 12, and Lot 14 in Block 41 of the Town of Sheridan; 6-22-95.

Deed: Jones G. Finkle, et ux to Edward H. Krause Jr., et ux, 44,760 acres, a part of the Heinrich Krey Survey, A-370; 6-23-95.

Deed: Helen Murray to Sherman Kearbey, et ux, tract 1, Lots 1, 2 part of 3, 8, 9 and 10, in Block 54, situated in the Town of Alleyton; and tract 2: Lots 7, 8, 9 and 10 in Block 57 in the Town of Alleyton; 6-23-95.

Deed: Vertie M. Brune to The Vertie Brune Trust, 5.25 acres, located in Colorado County, Texas; 6-23-95.

Deed: William Burford Hahn Sr., to David H. Hahn, 12.1 acres out of the E. Tumlinson League, A-44; 6-23-95.

Deed: Ethel Mae Mosley to Timothy W. Payne, Lot No. 4, Block No. 63 of Weimar; 6-23-95.

Deed: Margarette Waits, et al to John H. Alderete, et ux, Block No. 13 through 24, inclusive in Block H of the Penfield & Peterson Addition of the Town of Rock Island; 6-23-95.

Deed: Amanda Pastujovsky to Gerald D. Franck Jr., et ux, 0.12777 acre tract situated in the City of Eagle Lake, Block

# 'Christmas in July' in Wharton

America's top-rated artists and craftsmen will be on hand at Landmark Productions' annual Springfest Arts & Crafts Show and Dinner in the Wharton Community Civic Center on July 22 and 23. The event will include hundreds of unique items.

Featured in the show will be clothing, woodcrafts, jewelry, specialty food items, ceramics, toys, needlepoint, leathercrafts and hundreds more items.

Admission is free. Show hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. The Civic Center is located at 1924 N. Fulton. For more information, call 409-569-8650.



Picture above are Dan and Jody Smith of San Antonio who will be offering their line of handmade toys and decorative items at the arts and crafts show this weekend in the Wharton Civic Center.

# Garwood VFD news, memorials

The Garwood Volunteer Fire Department answered eight fire and 37 ambulance calls.

They also received the following memorials from Jan. to June 1995:

In memory of Guy Conner: Mrs. W.R. Frnk, Mr. & Mrs. N.J. Schneider, Mr. & Mrs. Joe Seifert, Gisela Trojan, Eleanor Richardson, Mr. & Mrs. George Koenig, Shirley E. Smith, Mr. & Mrs. Frank Popp Jr., Mr. & Mrs. Anthony Kallina, Elsie Krenk, Edith Huvar.

In memory of Arlee Bell: Rice High School Faculty & Staff. In memory of Edna Girndt: Mr. & Mrs. John Wagner, Elsie Krenk.

In memory of John Foley: Ben and Rosemary Stoudt, Mr. & Mrs. Mitchell Smith, Mr. & Mrs. Seth Stallman, Stallman Dryer.

In memory of Hugo Brehm: Mrs. Mary Schoellmann, Mr. & Mrs. Ed Wied, Mr. & Mrs. Kenny Baumgarten, Mr. & Mrs. Rudy Drik Jr., Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Wied & J.D., Mr. & Mrs. Ben Pavlu, Mr. & Mrs. Marvin Toyber, Mr. & Mrs. Mark Wied, Mr. & Mrs. Robin Blair, Mr. & Mrs. Dan Choate, Mr. & Mrs. Gene Choate, Mr. & Mrs. Frank Popp, Edith Huvar, Mr. & Mrs. Paul Baumgarten, Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Fling, Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Wied & J.D., Sue Maraggia, Leona Abell, Mr. & Mrs. Henry Labay, Mr. & Mrs. Mitchell Smith, Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Nance, Mr. & Mrs. Bill Zboril, Mr. & Mrs. Dale Hunt, Nada-Garwood FCE Club, Mrs. Raymond Staff & Family, Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Labay, Mr. & Mrs. Albert Bittner & Jeff Dugie, Mr. Joe Mendell, Elsie Krenk, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Schuirring, Mr. & Mrs. Larry Smidovec.

In memory of Robert Rasmussen: Mr. & Mrs. Albert Bittner &

Jeff Dugie. In memory of Rudolph Wasieck: Frieda Kubesch, Margaret Bunge, Mr. & Mrs. Walter Braden Jr. In memory of Ludwig Schoellmann: Mr. & Mrs. Marvin Tyler, Mr. & Mrs. Mark Wied, Mr. & Mrs. Jim Bunge, Mr. & Mrs. Paul Baumgarten, Mr. & Mrs. Ed Wied, Mr. & Mrs. Kenny Baumgarten, Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Fling, Mr. W.A. Hefner, Mr. & Mrs. Albert Bittner & Jeff Dugie.

In memory of Martha Cernoch: Mr. & Mrs. Paul Baumgarten, Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Wied & J.D.

In memory of Jerry Smidovec Sr.: Mary Schoellmann, Mr. & Mrs. Joe Seifert, Mrs. W.A. Hefner, Mr. & Mrs. Mitchell Smith, Mrs. Raymond Staff & Family, Mr. & Mrs. Paul Baumgarten, Janecr Cranek, Mr. & Mrs. Frank Popp Jr., Mr. & Mrs. Albert Bittner & Jeff Dugie, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Schuirring, Mr. & Mrs. Larry Smidovec.

In memory of Lorraine Smith: Mr. & Mrs. Frank Popp Jr. In memory of Albert Eggemeyer: Mr. & Mrs. Larry Smidovec. In memory of Gil Stienke: Mr. & Mrs. Walter Braden Jr. In memory of Leo Tilt: Mr. & Mrs. Larry Smidovec.

In memory of Bruce Fling: Minnie Lee Conner, Mr. Joe Mendell. In memory of Charles Sanford: Mr. & Mrs. Larry Smidovec. In memory of Mr. & Mrs. Louis Cranek Sr.: Mr. & Mrs. Larry Smidovec. In memory of Mr. & Mrs. Walter E. Watson: Mr. & Mrs. Larry Smidovec.

In memory of Mr. & Mrs. John Cicherski: Mr. & Mrs. Larry Smidovec. In memory of Walter Richard Watson Jr.: Mr. & Mrs. Larry Smidovec.

# About Town...

\*Amanda Priesmeyer, daughter of Marsha and Ron Priesmeyer of Garwood and a 1994 graduate of Rice High School, qualified for membership in Alpha Lambda Delta, a national freshman honor organization, during her first semester at the University of Texas.

In order to qualify, a student must be a full time student and earn at least a 3.50 grade point average. Mandy has also been named to the University Honors List for both the fall and spring semesters in recognition of outstanding achievement. She is a member of the College of Natural Sciences, pursuing a major in mathematics.

\*Amy and Cathy Fearing arrived home Sunday evening after spending six weeks with their Dad in the Phoenix, Ariz., area.

Their comment about the weather we all thought was so hot was, "It's not that hot out here." Of course, they had become acclimated to the desert heat while visiting.

Both girls were eager to see their friends and classmates here after being away for what they called a long time.

\*As was told a week or so ago, Eagle Lake Police Officer Eric Hart has left us to take a position with the Port Lavaca Police Department. He said he'll be "on his own" after about six weeks of field training.

We're sorry to see you go "West", but wish you the best of everything.

\*Filling Eric's slot on the department's roster will be former Auxiliary Officer Carl Risk. He and his wife, Leslie, moved to Eagle Lake recently and are thrilled that he was chosen for the full time position.

Now all we have to do is find Leslie a job so she doesn't go stir crazy being a full time mom!

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Asthma is an obstruction and inflammation of the airway passages from the mouth to the lungs. This chronic health problem affects approximately 12 million Americans. Researchers are constantly evaluating new medicines which may help the millions of children and adults who suffer from asthma.

Recently an advisory committee of the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) recommended approval of a new type of asthma medicine. The new drug, called *zileuton*, has both anti-inflammatory and bronchodilator activity. A unique property of *zileuton* is that it inhibits the action of enzymes referred to as *leukotrienes*. These enzymes are thought to cause inflammation of the air passages. Asthmatics tend to have high levels of leukotrienes present in nasal secretions and in fluid lining the lungs. Blocking the effect of leukotrienes is thought to improve forced expiratory flow rates, and in some patients there may be a reduced need for other asthma medicines (beta agonists and corticosteroids).

*Zileuton* can cause headache, abdominal pain, dizziness, and insomnia. Even though the potential for liver problems is low, the manufacturer recommends liver function tests be conducted at the beginning of therapy, at three months, and then periodically.

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