

Eagle Lake Primary School, Third Grade Continued

Ms. Baisa Dear Santa, I would like for you to bring me a game boy, roller blades, Rocket Jerseys, a ring, drums, a dog and a necklace with my name, Criss Cross Crash, B-Zone please. Your friend, Miguel Arreola

Home Sweet Home

As the season of celebration approaches, we'd like to extend our warmest wishes to all our good neighbors. We're proud to be part of this fine community.

TRULY PROPERTIES

Sandy & Dan Berdy and Ralph & Estrella Truly 129 N. McCarty 234-3776



Holiday Wish

Dear Santa, I want a Sega, clothes, a computer, baby dolls, a Barbie, video game, C.D. player, radio, and a Free Willy 2 tape. I love you very much Santa. From, Nicole Aguilera

May the warm glow of Christmas light up your life.

John B. Myres, D.D.S. Vilma Fernandez, D.D.S. And Staff

Season's Greetings!

Here's hoping your holiday meets all your greatest expectations. We're so very glad to have you as customers.

SCHINDLER LPG, INC. Jim, Cindy Elmer & Steve

CELEBRATE THE SEASON WITH CHEER!

Ben Davis Funeral Home 951 Preston - Columbus 409-732-2875

Laker Printing & Trophies 123 N. McCarty 234-3360

Mrs. Ardis & Mrs. Buxkemper

Dear Santa, I want a Sega C.D. and a CD player. I want a baby doll for my sister. I want a bike for my brother and I want a game boy. I want a Pocahontas doll for my sister and a dirt bike for me. I want 2 Power Wheels for my baby brother and I want a Power Ranger game for me.

Mrs. Kucherka

Dear Santa, I want a Barbie. I want a Barbie Pocahontas and clothes for Pocahontas. I want a pair of skates. I want a Sega and a radio.

Mrs. Moody

Dear Santa, I want a Barbie. I want a Barbie Pocahontas and clothes for Pocahontas. I want a pair of skates. I want a Sega and a radio.

Peace & Joy

A very special thank you for your valued patronage.

F&W Food Store, Inc.

758-3344 Garwood

Mae's Snack Bar

413 First Street Eagle Lake

We're Gearing Up For Another Great Season!

Hope your Christmas runs smoothly in every way. We're always glad to be of service.

J&L AUTOMOTIVE

FM 3013 - Eagle Lake - 234-5352 Behind D&V Town & Country Store

With Heartfelt Thanks

We appreciate your friendship and support. Merry Christmas to one and all!

Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce

408 E. Main • 234-2780

Eagle Lake Implement Co.

Hope the season brings a bumper crop of dreams come true!

Dear Santa, All I just want is a Go cart or a Four Wheeler. And some money like 60 dollars. And a Doon Sanders jersey. And some clothes like a Dallas Cowboy on it. And a Sega video game. And I want to go to Dallas to see the Cowboys. And see the Houston Rockets play.

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We Wish You and Yours A Happy and Prosperous 1996! From All of Us at The Headlight

Eagle Lake Headlight

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Police investigate three-car accident

This past Saturday, Dec. 23, Sgt. Jack Knox was dispatched to the report of an accident in the 700 block of West Post Office Street at 3:34 p.m. Three vehicles, a 1982 Chevrolet pickup, driven by Ronnie Gonzales of Eagle Lake; a 1995 Ford Taurus, driven by Debbie Norris Hodges of Eagle Lake; and a 1978 Mercury 4-door, driven by Frankie Curlee of Freer; were involved.

Units from the Eagle Lake Volunteer Fire Department responded to the scene to assist with removing subjects from the vehicles.

Both Eagle Lake units of the Colorado County Volunteer Emergency Medical Services responded and transported victims to Rice District Community Hospital to be treated for unknown injuries.

The Eagle Lake Police Department reported these additional calls for the week ending Dec. 24. On Dec. 19 at 9:15 p.m., Officer Carl Risk received a call of a theft and with the complainant on Shirley Street, where a report was taken. On Dec. 22, the suspect returned the missing item and the complainant refused to prosecute. No other action was taken.

On Dec. 20 at 12:50 a.m., Officer Brian Ochoa made a traffic stop in the 100 block of West A Street. As a result of that stop, Odell Thomas of El Campo, the driver, was arrested for driving while intoxicated, processed and transported to Colorado County Detention Center (CCDC) for confinement.

On Dec. 21 at 12:43 p.m., Lt. Johnson met with a complainant in reference to harassing phone calls, obtained pertinent information and filed a report accordingly. The case is under investigation.

On Dec. 21 at 9:55 p.m., Sgt. Knox and Officer Keith Norman were dispatched to a disturbance in Dewey Street on Dec. 21 at 6:54 p.m., but the subjects were gone before officers arrived. No other action was taken.

On Dec. 21 at 9:55 p.m., Sgt. Knox and Officer Norman made contact with two subjects in reference to loitering on Seaholm Street, resulting in two arrests.

Desmond Davidson of Egypt and Kevin Washington of Wharton were both arrested and charged with possession of marijuana, processed at the CCDC for confinement.

On Dec. 23 at 12:40 a.m., Officers Risk and Duc Do took a subject into custody for public intoxication. John Fuentes was arrested, processed and transported to CCDC.

Officer David Wood observed an apparently intoxicated subject in the parking lot of a bar in the 600 block of East A Street. After an interview, Moises Medina was arrested, processed at the police department, then transported to CCDC for confinement.

On Dec. 24 at 2:19 a.m., Officer Ochoa observed a vehicle failing to drive in a single lane in the 100 block of W. Post Office Street.

After making contact, the driver, identified as Juan Cardona Gutierrez of Cat Spring, was arrested for failing to drive in a single lane and failure to maintain financial responsibility. He was processed at the police department and transported to CCDC.

On Dec. 24 at 5 p.m., Officer Risk was dispatched to the 500 block of E. State Street in reference to a vehicle-pedestrian accident. Reportedly, a juvenile ran from behind a car into the roadway and was struck by a 1984 Ford 4-door driven by Brandy Zbrank of Stafford, traveling west on E. State.

The juvenile struck the rear passenger door area of the Zbrank vehicle. The juvenile was transported to the hospital by ambulance for treatment. The extent of injuries was unknown at the time of this report.

Officer Ochoa was contacted at the police department on Dec. 25 at 11:15 p.m. in reference to a disturbance. A report was taken and the case is under investigation.

The Eagle Lake Police Department has recovered a plywood Christmas yard cut-out. If you are missing a yard cut-out, please contact the Eagle Lake Police Department at 234-2727 to identify it.

Also a yard cut-out of a reindeer has been stolen from an Eagle Lake citizen's yard. If it has found a home in your yard by mistake, please contact the ELPD.



The Farris 1912 was the place to be before Christmas, as film crews and celebrities made their appearances. Shown above with Trinita Thomas (a well-known cook at The Farris) are, from left, Greg Hall, ESPN professional golfer Brian Henniger; Thomas; Hall of Famer Larry Conka and Rich Larson, also with ESPN.

Film crews, celebs visit local establishment

The week before Christmas was especially busy for those working at The Farris 1912 Hotel. The Farris' well known cook, Trinita Thomas, prepared her famous "Country Gourmet" cuisine for an ESPN filming crew; professional golfer Brian Henniger and Miami Dolphin Hall of Fame member and all-pro running back, Larry Conka.

Looking back at the past year...

A review of 1995

JANUARY - Jessie and Emily Torres were the proud parents of the first baby born in 1995 at Eagle Lake Community Hospital.

Chad Fucik brought in top honors in the heifer division. His grand champion heifer was purchased by the First National Bank of Eagle Lake and Farm & Ranch Aerial Service.

Todd Mathews' grand champion hog was purchased by Reuben A. Ludwig of Beasley.

Misty Smidovec's lamb was chosen the best this year. The grand champion lamb was purchased by Eddie and Virginia Balsek of Garwood.

Russell Jank of Hallettsville was killed Jan. 14 when the pickup he was driving was struck by a Southern Pacific train.

Stacey Spaniel, 19, daughter of Joe Mike and Diane Spaniel was named the 1995 Trail Ride Queen.

The Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce presented Lynda Appelt with an appreciation plaque for all the hard work she put into lighted Christmas parade.

Chief A.E. "Buck" Hall resigned at the Tuesday night, Jan. 24 City Council meeting.

Eagle Lake lost a prominent citizen, Mrs. Mamie Henry, at the age of 100 years.

A week-long celebration was held at Wilcox Foods IGA marking the ownership of Mr. & Mrs. Gerald Retzlaff. The Retzlaffs recently purchased the operation from Mr. & Mrs. Bob Wilcox.

David Llanos of Eagle Lake was honored for his four-year tenure as Colorado County Judge at a banquet on Feb. 12. His wife, Alice, was also a guest of honor.

Steve Hassin with the Eagle Lake Police Department was appointed "Sgt. in Charge" as of Tuesday, Feb. 14, by the City Council, due to the resignation of Chief A.E. "Buck" Hall effective March 1.

Kings and Queens were chosen at Heritage House by the staff for the Valentine Party. Chosen from the Alzheimer's Unit were Edward Brisse and Lavada McCoy; from the Geriatric Unit, Rosie Clemmens and Arnold Hibbler.

A search warrant for Beard Street in New Town was executed Feb. 10 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 Dept. and Eagle Lake Police Dept. Seized in the raid were approximately 10 grams of crack and \$3,100 in cash as well as several weapons.

Continued next week...

NEWSBRIEFS

Living Hope holding New Year's Eve service

Living Hope Church, invites the public to a New Year's Eve Service on Sunday, Dec. 31, from 9 p.m. to midnight, to pray and praise in the New Year.

City Hall closed for holidays

City Hall, along with almost all businesses in town, will be closed Monday, Jan. 1, in observance of New Year's Day. Monday's garbage will be picked up on Tuesday; and Tuesday's will be picked up Wednesday.

New Year's Eve service

The Vine of the Lord Church, 1300 East State, Eagle Lake, will hold a special New Year's Eve service from 7 p.m. to midnight. The public is invited to attend. Refreshments will be served. We invite you to bring in the new year with us by praising the Lord.

Native Plant society to meet Jan. 4

The Columbus Chapter of the Native Plant Society of Texas will hold a meeting on Thursday, Jan. 4, at 7 p.m. at the Colorado County Agriculture Extension office, 316 Spring Street. Helga Parks will present a slide show and program. Guest are welcome to attend. For more information, call 409-732-5058.

WCJC spring registration to begin

Wharton County Junior College will begin regular registration for 1996 Spring classes on Jan. 8, by appointment, in Wharton. Appointments may be made by calling the Registrar's office, 409-532-6303. WCJC's Spring 1996 classes are from Jan. 16 through May 17.

Congressional assistant at courthouse

Congressman Greg Laughlin will have a Congressional assistant at the Colorado County Courthouse from 9:30 to 11 a.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 2, to help residents with problems they may be having. For further information, call 512-756-1231.

4-H preparing for rifle project

Colorado County 4-H program is preparing for the start of the 4-H rifle project, open to all boys and girls between the ages of 3rd grade and age 19. The project will start Jan. 8, at 7 p.m. with a meeting at the Columbus Elementary School cafeteria. For more information, call the extension office, 409-732-2082.

EMT class starts Jan. 9

A new EMT (Emergency Medical Technician) class will start Jan. 9, 1996. For more information call Marc Jordan, Colorado County EMS Director, at 409-732-9635 during the day.

Girl Scout cookie sale

The Girl Scouts troop of Eagle Lake will begin their cookie sale on Jan. 6. Please contact Margaret Henry, Suzanne Sykowski or Olivia Maxie for more information.

College information offered toll-free

A toll-free College Information Hotline will be available to Texas residents on Saturday and Sunday, Jan. 13 and 14, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Anyone in the state of Texas may call 1-800-829-4599 and receive free information about college selection, admission, testing and financial aid. The hotline is staffed by professionals. Spanish speaking counselors will be available.

Defensive driving course scheduled

A defensive driving course has been scheduled by retired DPS Sgt. Gilbert Kiel at the Agriculture Building at 316 Spring Street in Columbus on Jan. 27 and 28 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. To pre-register for the course call 409-732-2734. If unable to pre-register, just arrive a few minutes early.

1996 HAPPY NEW YEAR! Be careful as you bring in the New Year. Please, don't drink and drive.