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DPS predicts higher holiday death count

The Texas Department of Public Safety is estimating more Christmas and New Year's traffic accidents this year due to high traffic volume, long trips and the probability on increased speeds because of higher speed limits. "With this increase in the speed limit, motorists are going to have to drive even more carefully this holiday season," said Lt. Col. Dudley Thomas of the Department of Public Safety. Based on federal law changes that went into effect Dec. 8, Texas' speed limits rose to 70 mph for daytime driving and 65 mph for nighttime. The DPS estimates as many as 35 people might die on Texas roads during the Christmas holidays, compared with 32 who were killed during the same period last year. (Note: According to a broadcast by DPS-Pierce, the Christmas count was much lower than predicted, as of late Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 27.) For the New Year's holiday, the death-count estimate is 40, compared with 33 fatalities in 1994. During the holiday periods, all available DPS troopers will be on the roadways looking for traffic viola-

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

But Texans are expected to pay in advance willingly when the state begins a new program that allows them to pay their children's future college tuition and fees at today's prices. Created by the state Legislature this year, the Texas Prepaid Higher Education Program begins on Jan. 2, the first day contracts will be issued to parents who want to prepay tuition and fees for their children under 18. Payments will go into Texas Tomorrow Fund, which will be managed by investors yet to be hired by a governing board whose members are state Comptroller John Sharp and six members to be appointed by Gov. George W. Bush, Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock and House Speaker Pete Laney, D-Hale Center. Sharp said the program was designed for middle-class Texans "who don't have enough money to qualify for needs-based scholarships and other kinds of scholarships."

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Kika Won't Seek Re-election
 U.S. Rep. Eblegio "Kika" de la Garza announced last week that his 16th term in Congress would be his last. The Mission Democrat, who has represented South Texas since 1965, said he would spend the remainder of his term focusing on policy, not politics.

Kay Granger Wants Geren's Seat
 Three-term Ft. Worth Mayor Kay Granger has filed for the 12th U.S. Congressional District seat of Democrat Pete Green, who has announced he would not seek re-election. In making the announcement, Granger, a moderate Republican, automatically resigned as mayor in accordance with Ft. Worth's charter.

4th Texan Contracts Hantavirus
 The fourth Texan to contract the rodent-borne hantavirus is a 23-year-old Beaumont man. Symptoms of the disease, which is fatal in 50% of cases, include fever, shortness of breath and muscular aches. The man, hospitalized for 12 days, was put on oxygen and required dialysis after his kidneys failed. He is recovering. (See Highlights, Page 4)

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1995 Chevy Corsica White Factory Warranty! \$10,595 ⁰⁰	1989 Oldsmobile 98 Regency 78,000 Miles \$4,850 ⁰⁰	1992 Chevy S-10 Blazer 5-Speed \$10,995 ⁰⁰
1994 Pontiac Sunbird SE Single Rear Wheel Car Rental \$8,995 ⁰⁰	1989 Chevy Celebrity Excellent Condition \$4,495 ⁰⁰	1990 Chevy Pickup 1/2-Ton Extended Cab; 200 V-8, Beautiful Blue & Color \$9,995 ⁰⁰
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COLORADO COUNTY COURTHOUSE REPORT

DEEDS
 Deed: Joel Ray Tigert, et ux to James I. Marek, et ux, two tracts out of the Casper Simon Survey, A-502; filed 9-29-95.
 Deed: W.L. Morris Jr. and Shirley Morris to Anthony Eugene Heimann and Sharon V. Heimann, 171.445 acre tract out of the Martin Dicht Survey, A-165, et al; 9-29-95.
 Deed: Blackjack Investments Inc. to The State of Texas, 0.65/acre, situated in the Daniel Gilleland League, A-26; 9-29-95.
 Gift Deed: Rita M. Fernandez to Ray Sanchez, four tracts of land in the First Addition to the Joe H. McCreary Subdivision, et al; 10-2-95.
 Deed: Walker Loyd Hopkins Jr. and Jacqueline F. Hopkins to Walker Loyd Hopkins Jr. and Jacqueline F. Hopkins, a tract of land containing 21.93 acres, a part of the W.W. Thompson Lease, A-43; 10-2-95.
 Deed: Blackjack Investments Inc. to Colleen Willrodt, two tracts in the Smith & Jones Addition to the City of Columbus, et al; 10-2-95.
 Deed: Milton Joe Hoffman et ux to Clara May Hoffman Disher, und. int. in 101 acres situated in the W.W. Thompson Lease; 10-2-95.
 Deed: Clifford H. Wenke to Merle H. Fish, et ux, 11.6 acres out of the T. Morris Survey, A-405; 10-2-95.
 Deed: Clarence F. Schmidt to Gilbert R. Belota, et ux, 15.00 acres, a part of the Peter Piper Survey, A-447; 10-3-95.
 Deed: Robert A. Youens, et ux to Donnie Duch and Charles Street, a part of Lot No. 2, Block No. 48, City of Weimar; 10-3-95.
 Deed: Myrt A. King to James Orion McIntyre III, et ux, a part of Original Lot 1, Block 51, City of Columbus; 10-3-95.
 Deed: Mary Serradell to Herbert J. Serradell Jr., et al, land out of the A. Kelso League in Colorado County; 10-4-95.
 Deed: Stanley Thomas Yearwood, et ux, to Silvino Lopez, et ux, 6.067 acres, a part of the James Cummins Survey, A-13; 10-4-95.
 Gift Deed: Helen F. Knigge to Derald Knigge, et ux, a part of original Lots 3 and 4, Block 45, City of Columbus; 10-4-95.
 Deed: Eunice Smith to Curtis W. Gibson, 386 acres, located in the Smith and Jones Addition (part of Original Lot No. 6, Block F), City of Columbus; 10-4-95.
 Deed: Jan Greenwald Elliott and J. Richard Elliott to Larry C. McWherter, a tract containing 92.744 acres out of the H.M. McElroy League Survey, A-52; 10-4-95.
 Deed: Estate of James L. Adkins to James R. Adkins, et ux, Lot No. 24, Ridge-Lake Addition, Section 1, City of Eagle Lake; 10-5-95.
 Deed: Colleen Willrodt to Rosann F. Willrodt and Gerald G. Clayton III, part of original Lots 1 and 2, Block A, Smith and Jones Addition, City of Columbus; 10-5-95.
 Deed: James R. Mikalenka to Robert R. Laciuc, et ux, 22.90 acres, of the R. Dowdy League, A-163; 10-5-95.
 Deed: Mary Jean Wilkinson, Trustee to The State of Texas, 4.045 acres situated in the Daniel Gilleland League, A-26; 10-5-95.
 Deed: Violet M. Herrington to Josiah Robert Wheat III, et ux, Lots 11 & 12, Block No. 32, Town of Sheridan; 10-5-95.
 Gift Deed: Cecelia Perry to Nancy Wooten, 51.9 acres, out of the B. Beason Survey, A-5; 10-5-95.
 Deed: R.L. Gates to Richard L. Gates, et ux, 48 acres, a part of the J. Tomlinson League, A-46; 10-5-95.
 Gift Deed: Jerry D. Hooper, et ux to Albert L. Robinson, et ux, Lots 1 through 8, Block 27, Town of Rock Island; 10-5-95.
 Deed: Max Barnett and Maybelle Barnett to Columbus Physical Therapy Rehabilitation Services Inc., Lot 9, Legion Addition, City of Columbus, out of Elizabeth Tomlinson League, A-44; 10-5-95.

To THE EDITOR & YOU
'Feel free to contact any of us'

Just a reminder to the community we serve. Many of you may not be aware of the mission statement by your City Council, so I thought I'd share it with you, because the mayor and my fellow council members feel very strongly about this.

If you have any concerns/complaints about anything, please feel free to contact any or all of us.

Such as... the concern of one of our citizens, Mike Cooper, regarding the cable channels issue. We welcome those types of concerns.

The mission of the council and staff of the City of Eagle Lake is:

- 1) To provide the highest level of service to our citizens at the greatest value in a manner that warrants the highest degree of public confidence in our integrity and efficiency.
- 2) To enter all meetings with the objective to serve the best interest of the citizens of Eagle Lake.
- 3) To always conduct ourselves in a manner that deserves the respect of the citizens of Eagle Lake.
- 4) To always bear in mind that we are elected city officials, and the citizens of Eagle Lake deserve our honesty and loyalty.

This mission statement hangs in City Hall.

Respectfully,
 Rene Cooper-Scott
 Councilwoman

Political candidate... Berger to run for re-election

Lawrence Berger of Garwood, Constable of Precinct 1, has announced his bid for re-election to his present position in the Democratic Primary on March 12.

A native of Colorado County and resident of Garwood for 37 years, Berger is active in community organizations and well-known throughout the County.

Berger served as a special deputy with the Colorado County Sheriff's Department for over 23 years. He states that he has proven to be a dedicated public servant and asks that he be given the opportunity to continue serving the citizens of Precinct 1 in this capacity.

Christ Church to host concert

Christ Episcopal Church cordially invites its many friends in the community to a free concert at 7 p.m. next Thursday, Jan. 4, at the church, located on the corner of Stockbridge Street and N. Lake.

Musician Jason Abel, communicant of St. John's Church of Sealy, and a music major at the University of South in Swannee, Tenn., will offer a concert of selections on the church's newly-installed music system.

With the installation of a Roland digital electronic sound system driven by a computer, with overhead speakers covering the complete range of the audio spectrum, it will be possible to reproduce both organ and piano music manually or programmatically.

The system was designed by parishioner John Mathews and put into place last week by Michael Hruzek. Abel will play classical music for the organ and piano.

Christ Church welcomes the entire community to join with parishioners on Jan. 4 to enjoy this new music source.

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Warning: Don't Be Fooled By Appearances!

The fact is, even one drink of alcohol can significantly alter your good judgement. That means even if you or a friend appears to be okay, reaction time could be slowed enough to make a critical difference should a split-second decision need to be made.

This holiday season, don't take unnecessary chances. Use the designated driver system; public transportation, call a taxi or stay overnight. Or be a trendsetter by hosting an alcohol-free New Year's party in your home.

Whatever you do, **DON'T** drink and drive. We want to see you again next year.

This Urgent Message Is Brought To You By These Concerned Individuals and Businesses:

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 Chief of Police
 Eagle Lake

PLEASE DON'T DRINK & DRIVE
 Have A Happy And Safe 1996

THANKS FOR BEING IN STEP WITH US!

This New Year's Eve, whether you Tango... fandango... Or all-out shake-it-up on the floor, We'd like to cut in and wish you A very happy 1996!

Waltz right in and see us anytime!

From Your Elected Officials...

Lawrence Berger Constable Precinct #1
 Bill Esterling Colorado County Sheriff
 Darlene Hayek County Clerk
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