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County Fair tag-in coming soon 4-H and FFA members with intentions of participating in the 1996 Colorado County Fair are reminded of upcoming dates of interest. March 8 is the deadline for ordering turkey poults. Heifers must be 12 to 14 months of age at show time. For additional information, contact the County Extension Office.

Little League Continued from Page 1 Fire Station. Tickets are \$5 each and may be purchased from any little league; or call Cynthia Boenisch at 758-3620. You're asked to purchase tickets by March 11. Proceeds go for ball field improvements and equipment.

Foot Facts By Dr. Eric R. Pepper, Podiatrist YOUR TRANSMISSION SPECIALISTS Ask yourself what the basic function of the foot is, and you might reply that it has something to do with supporting the body when walking or standing.

Flowers 'N More Pre-Easter Sale Fresh & Silk Flowers Plants, Balloons, Shirts, etc. New Items! Sergio Lub Bracelets • Camille Beckman Body Products 20% Off All Merchandise

ABOUT TOWN... Congratulations Rice FFA! What a great job Rice students did in the commercial steer competition. Jenny Hajovsky took first place!

Your Presence Is Requested at the Eagle Lake Crimestoppers St. Patrick's Day Dance and AUCTION! Saturday, March 9 8:30 p.m. to 1 a.m. Eagle Lake K.C. Hall, FM 3013 & Hwy. 90A

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Circus coming to Eagle Lake Celebrating the 63rd Annual Tour under the same original owner-management family, the King Royal Bros. big, four-ring circus will unfold its gigantic tented dome in Eagle Lake on Saturday, March 16, for performances at 3 and 7 p.m. under the sponsorship of Knights of Columbus and local merchants.

Eagle Lake Headlight



The Robert L. "Robby" Cook family... Austin bound? Headlight File Photo

Cook fries competition in State Rep. race

Eagle Lake's current mayor, Robert L. "Robby" Cook, came out on top of the three-way race for State Representative, District 28, in the Democratic Primary Tuesday, walking away with 64.73% of the 12,522 votes cast in the four-county district. According to outgoing State Representative Robert Saunders, who was keeping tabs at a gathering at the Cook home, the totals for the race were: Colorado County: Cook, 2477; Leonard Leffler, 329; Kurt Johnson, 405; Fayette County: Cook, 1088; Leffler, 317; Johnson, 1038; Wharton County: Cook, 2540; Leffler, 417; Johnson, 401; Bastrop County: Cook, 2001; Leffler, 717; Johnson, 792.

Eagle Lake 'boot camp' proposal accepted by County Commissioners

County Judge Vince Slominski emphasized that the County did not enter into a contract with Esmor, who has a regional office in Houston. The boot camp would serve juveniles for both short- and long-term stays. The facility would be locked down and no inmates would be allowed to leave the structured environment, which would offer discipline, education and technical training.

NEWSBRIEFS

Prairie Chicken Festival update

Eagle Lake's Attwater's Prairie Chicken Festival has scheduled a wine and cheese reception with a silent auction. Tickets are available from any committee member for \$12.50 each. The reception will be held at the Spangler Building, 123 E. Main. Fun Run applications are still being accepted but need to be in soon.

Private applicator education program offered

Individuals who have a private applicators license or certificate may receive one hour of continuing education credits at a program sponsored by the Colorado County Texas Agriculture Extension office. The program will be held on Monday, March 18, at 7 p.m. at the Columbus High School Cafeteria.

Rabies clinic is Saturday

The Garwood Lions Club is sponsoring a dog and cat rabies clinic on Saturday, March 16, from noon to 2 p.m. at the Garwood School shop. The cost of each shot is \$7 per animal.

Last chance to sign up in Garwood

The Garwood Little League is having their last chance sign up on March 19 at 7:30 p.m. A meeting will follow.

SWCD reservation deadline

March 15 is the final date to make reservations to attend the 47th Annual Awards banquet sponsored by the Colorado Soil and Water Conservation District. This event honors students who were selected as district winners in the coloring, poster and essay contests as well as other outstanding conservationists.

Math workshop for parents next Tuesday

All parents of students in grades four through eight are invited to attend a TAAS math night on Tuesday, March 19, at 7 p.m. in the school library. The TAAS math objectives for each grade level will be explained and parents will have the opportunity to work problems similar to the ones their children will have on the test.

WCJC first aid/CPR classes scheduled

Wharton County Junior College is offering First Aid and CPR classes for daycare workers and others. The class, American Heart Association approved, will be held twice monthly or as needed upon request. The cost of the course is \$36; a refresher course is \$18. Call 409-532-6328 for more information.

Head Start accepting applications

The Eagle Lake Head Start program is now accepting applications for the 1996-97 school year for children who turn four years of age by Sept. 1, 1996. Head Start is a federal program for preschool children from low-income families. Children participate in a variety of educational activities, receive medical and dental care, and enjoy healthy meals and snacks.

Brenham 'Spring Fling' is Saturday

The Spring Fling is hopping 'your way on Saturday, March 16, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Kick off your Easter and spring shopping with sidewalk sales and craft booths. Enjoy live entertainment and many food booths while strolling the historic Brenham square. The downtown area will be blocked off for the event and streets will be filled with merchants and entertainment.

Looking for used file cabinets

Prairie Edge Museum is in need of two legal-size, metal filing cabinets. The staff is re-doing their filing system and requires more storage space for its historical papers. Prairie Edge Museum appreciates donations. Call Lana at 409-234-2780, if you can help.

Robbery cleared, assault being investigated by Sheriff's Dept.

On Sunday March 10, at 6:35 p.m., Deputy Troy Neisner received a dispatch concerning an aggravated robbery in progress at the Sandy Creek Drive-In on Hwy 90A near Sheridan. Dispatch advised units to be on the lookout for a small, black, single-cab Nissan pickup truck occupied by a white male approximately six feet, seven inches, 190 pounds, wearing blue jeans and a T-shirt with a possible second suspect, traveling east-bound on Hwy. 90A.

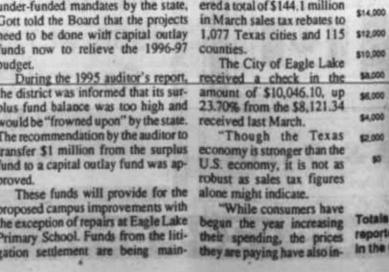
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congregation will lead each session and will dismiss at 7 p.m. If you need child care, please call the church office, 234-3288.

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25 Real Estate

TRULY PROPERTIES 129 N. McCarty 409-234-3776

HOUSES... DOBBINS: 3BR, 1-1/2BA, frame with fireplace. AUSTIN RD.: 2BR, 1BA frame, 1/2 acre. CLARK STREET: 2BR, 2BA, frame with CACH; corner lot w/ fence.

COMMERCIAL...

W. DAVITT: Four one-bedroom apartments with CACH; brick. E. STREET: Historical brick house, 50'x180' bldg, with 0.405 ac. W. PRAIRIE: West Prairie Apts. (Former Methodist Church); 8 units; approx. 1 acre.

INDUSTRIAL...

110 & FM 949 Intersection: 55 ac. with 9 bldgs. Excellent for manufacturing facility; trading approx. \$3,500 sq. ft. Formerly known as WellTech.

LOTS...

HANLY ROAD: 140' x 150' Lot with 16'x26' shop. BALUSEK RD.: 2.85 Acres. Owner finance. \$16,000.

LAND...

FM 3013 & Glen Flora Rd.: 21.8 acre industrial site. NW Edge of Eagle Lake: 157 Acres farm land. LAVACA COUNTY: Wildness Oaks; 5 acres x 11 acres, adjoining Price Reduced. Will owner finance or trade with equal value.

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CCLEA to elect 'Officer of the Year'

Colorado County Law Enforcement Agency is selecting an "Officer of the Year" to be announced at a dinner in March. Officers who have been nominated are: Clem Johnson, Eagle Lake; Danny Jackson, Columbus; Earl Jones, Weimar; and Richard Lacourse, Colorado County Sheriff's Department.

Saturday defensive driving course

A Saturday defensive driving course had been scheduled by Gene Creemans for March 16 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Mansfield Building in Columbus. A class will be held on March 30 at the Winterman Library from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Call 409-543-7849 or 1-800-285-8297 or 234-5411. Walk-ins are welcome.

CCLEA calendars on sale

Colorado County Law Enforcement Agency calendars are here! A \$5 donation is requested, but any donation will be accepted. All proceeds from the sale of the calendars will be used to purchase items on each of the departments "Wish List". Call Shirley at 409-732-5061; Patty, 732-2237; Vicki, 732-3465; Eagle Lake Police Department, 234-2727 or The Headlight at 234-5521.

Congratulations Rice FFA!

What a great job Rice students did in the commercial steer competition. Jenny Hajovsky took first place! Clint Krenk came in fourth and Amy Othenbens was named "Rookie of the Year". Great job!

Congratulations to Sandra and her students.

Good job! Friends will be glad to hear Walter (Snookie) Frnka is recuperating nicely at Memorial City Rehabilitation Center in Houston following a stroke earlier this year. Those who might wish to send him a card should mail it to: Walter A. Frnka, Room 1312B, Memorial City Rehabilitation Center, 3043 N. Gessner, Houston TX 77080.

Also, to Amanda Labay of Sheridan School.

Her name was left out of the Sheridan honor roll list by us. Sorry! You remember when we told you about the zeros not working correctly on one of the computer keyboards? Well, it happened again in the story on the book dedication by the Nays to the Sheridan Library. The article said the donation was \$13,000; it should have been \$1,300. Sorry folks...

Larry and Kamla Hillmer of Cat Spring attended the

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Of budgeted expenses, \$181,947 is for the next phase of sewer line improvements funded through a Community Development Grant scheduled as part for sewer work from State Street to Prairie along the railroad to take in those citizens who have never had City sewer service. A new utility billing system, acquisition of land and airport runway improvements with work scheduled for this summer, remodeling of City offices for a safer and more efficient working area and purchase of a used tractor and mower, including a slope mower, are some of the major projects included in the proposed budget.

The contingency fund, which takes care of unforeseen emergencies, continues to be a concern since the practice of apportioning a small amount of tax dollars each year was discontinued in 1986 due to limited tax dollars.

The only revenue source for this account is interest earned on the money market account. The fund balance as of April 1, 1996, showed \$72,857, with projected interest of \$3,800 for 1996-97.

Council will study the budget and hold a public hearing at a later date.

An interlocal cooperative agreement with Colorado County Precinct 4 to provide assistance with removal of the building materials from the houses which have been torn down was approved.

Mayor Robby Cook reported that plans for juvenile detention center are progressing. The County is in the process of seeking a vendor for the facility. Once that step is completed, it will be in the City's lap to find the acreage; 10 to 35 acres will be needed, if the center is approved.

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Esmer's proposal stated that it would provide the 25% match required for application of the construction grant; build a minimum of six short-term detention beds in addition

(See Commissioners, Page 5)

Jared Vawter qualified for the state medal to be held in Houston on March 30 at Hovine Pavilion. For his efforts in the Corpus Christi meet on March 9 he received a medal and plaque for being selected outstanding squatter in his weight class.

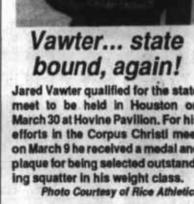


Photo Courtesy of Rice Athletics

EAGLE LAKE POLICE REPORT

On March 5 at 3:09 a.m., Officer Brian Ochoa conducted a routine traffic stop in the 800 block of West Main. After making contact with the driver, the driver was found to be intoxicated.

Nicholas Tamborello of Houston was arrested for driving while intoxicated (DWI), processed at the police department, then transported to the Colorado County Detention Center (CCDC) for confinement.

Continuing investigation by Chief Keith Webb led to the arrest of a juvenile in connection with the arson-fire of a pickup on Union Street last week. The juvenile is also implicated in a criminal mischief report where a truck was thrown, breaking out the back glass of an automobile on Union.

Clern Johnson received a report of a runaway child on March 6 at 7:30 a.m., but was advised a couple of hours later that the child had been located and was okay.

A report was taken by Sgt. Jack Knox on March 7 in connection with criminal mischief where a car had been scratched. The complainant did not desire to prosecute, therefore, no other action was taken.

Officer Gary Gipson and Sgt. Knox met with a complainant at the police department on March 8 in connection with an assault by under. A report was taken and the case is under investigation. Three subjects were taken into custody on March 8 for possession of a controlled substance. After an interview, one of the three suspects was released. The other two, James Lee Black and Leo Burnett Miller, both of Eagle Lake, were arrested, processed (See Police, Page 8)