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To The Editor & You

Seaholm golf classic cancelled

Dear Friends: It is with deep regret that we announce the cancellation of the 1996 Nancy Juul Seaholm Memorial Scholarship Program Annual Golf Classic. This year's annual fund-raiser was scheduled for Saturday, April 20.

However, due to uncontrollable circumstances, it will be postponed until further notice. The completion of last year's benefit marked our 10th successful year of assisting our local youth toward the opportunity to obtain a college education.

The answer is commitment and continuity. I've been committed to all the citizens of Eagle Lake and will continue this commitment by showing the community growth and development of our economic development programs and achieving our goals and objectives as set by previous mayor Don Bendy and present Mayor Robby Cook.

I am in civic and in tune with the office I seek. Sometimes there is a split of authority which leads to a conflict of interest. I have not in the past, nor will I have in the future, a question on my mind. I plan to continue to move Eagle Lake forward.

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David Mann for Mayor. Vote May 4th. Paid for by David Mann. Board of Directors Nancy Juul Seaholm Memorial Scholarship Program

We sincerely apologize for any inconvenience that this decision may cause and encourage our supporters to continue their efforts.

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EAGLE LAKE MEDICAL CLINIC 700 S. McCarty Eagle Lake 409-234-2066. Ravindra Kumar, M.D. Internal Medicine. Pauline Hendler MSN, RN, FNP Nurse Practitioner. Primary Care for Adolescent and Adult Patients

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Please direct any inquiries to: Dr. G.A. "Bud" Seaholm, Benefit Chairman, P.O. Box 8328, Greenville, SC 29604.

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Taxation without representation?

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populated areas of the school district face the prospect of having no representation on our school board.

I became very disturbed that someone could be so out of touch with the makeup of the Board of Trustees and the "Gentlemen's Agreement" which was reached by the citizens of the district when the Rice Consolidated ISD was formed.

This agreement, as well as official board policy, states Nada and Garwood will have two positions on the Board of Trustees, Sheridan will have two positions and Eagle Lake will have three positions.

All areas of the school district have a right to be represented on the board and it concerns me that this right is being eroded.

I believe that this Democratic principle is as important today as ever.

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Reply to Miekow

The following is my reply to the Letter to the Editor printed in last week's Headlight from Dwight Miekow.

The truth is that LCRA encourages its employees to be good citizens. Good citizens participate in elections. Most LCRA employees support one political party, some another. Some LCRA employees support one political candidate, some another.

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His source of information about LCRA making political contributions is defective.

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Public hearings looking for possible replacements of school property taxes

A property tax study panel will hold public hearings across Texas to get local input on ways to replace school property taxes, Gov. George W. Bush announced last week.

And, the governor's office issued a report suggesting three options for replacing the \$9 billion in property taxes Texans paid last year.

The budget experts have analyzed the facts. Now it's time to gauge the feelings of the people of Texas," Bush commented in a Dallas Morning News report.

Those on the ballot so far will be Barbara Pidgeon, incumbent; Michael Cooper and Dave (not David) Curry for two-year positions; and William "Bill" Kell for the one-year term.

Expand the tax levy to items not now taxed, and perhaps raise the 6.25% sale state tax rate;

Create a new "business activity tax" based on the sum of all of a business's internal costs, including profit; and

Limit certain payments by enrollees;

Require that preferred providers pass along to enrollees any savings they receive from fee discounts; and

Require that HMOs allow their patients to receive medical services from out-of-network physicians, if those services aren't available in the network.

While 81% of 1,001 respondents matched Bush with his office, only 47% could name their senior U.S. senator (Phil Gramm) and just 32% managed to name junior U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison.

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LaCourse chosen 'Officer of the Year'

Richard LaCourse, a deputy with the Colorado County Sheriff's Department, was selected as "Officer of the Year" on Sunday, March 17, at Schoebels' Restaurant in Columbus by the Colorado County Law Enforcement Agency, better known as CCLAEA.

Others nominated were Clem Johnson of the Eagle Lake Police Department; Earl Jones, Weimar Police Department; and Danny Jackson, Columbus Police Department.

Here's some background on LaCourse. Born Oct. 10, 1948, in Rochester, New Hampshire, to Lucien and Ethel LaCourse, he was christened Richard Joseph. He started school at Holy Trinity in Somersworth, N.H.

In 1959, they moved to Columbus, where he attended St. Anthony until going to high school at Bishop Forest. In 1968, he joined the U.S. Marine Corps, serving one tour of duty in Vietnam. A field radio operator, communications section instructor and material system clerk.

In 1970, he married Patty Jean Ingraham in Dover Plains, N.Y. Richard J. LaCourse was born Sept. 13, 1971; Christopher Michael LaCourse was born March 11, 1973; and Kathi Jean LaCourse was born July 27, 1979.

He moved his military service in 1974 and completed his family back to Columbus.

In 1974, he went to work for the Texas Department of Corrections, where his duties included radio communications, processing of prisoners, guarding, handling and controlling of

prisoners, as well as security of state property. In 1976, he started working for the Colorado Sheriff's Department.

In 1977, he attended Wharton County Junior College, taking 240 hours in basic certification and 24 hours continuing education units.

From 1981 to 1994, he attended schools in officer survival, emergency medical technique, Texas jail operations, animal control, a refresher course at Angleton PD training school, radio operations, hazardous material recognition and identification, telecommunications and family violence.

In 1993, he attended Wharton County Junior College; 1994, 40 hours of police proficiency from Austin County Law Enforcement Training Center; and in 1994 he was certified after 19 years of experience as an intermediate peace officer.

Richard's hobbies include bowling, building electronic equipment, HAM radio and video recording. Organizations he is a member of include Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #613 1968-present; American Legion Post #383, 1968-present; Boy Scouts of America 1980-1992; Honored by American Legion for work with Explorer Post; Public Service Officer for Columbus and Rice Independent School District for security; Sheriff's Association 1992-present; Texas Peace Officers Association 1994-present; DPSOA 1995-present; Colorado County Law Enforcement Association 1995-present.

Congratulations to Richard LaCourse for being chosen as "Officer of the Year."



Officer of the Year Richard LaCourse posed with family members after he was presented with a plaque commemorating the event. Headlight Photo by Stacy Alay

Update on candidates for local elections

As of Tuesday afternoon, March 26, the City of Eagle Lake still had two candidates who have filed for the position of mayor.

David Mann, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Eagle Lake, and Councilwoman Renée Cooper-Scott have filed for the seat.

Two two-year positions on Council are also up for election, along with the one-year balance of the seat temporarily filled during the past year by Councilman Mike Duarte.

Fillings for Council positions have not changed this past week.

Those on the ballot so far will be Barbara Pidgeon, incumbent; Michael Cooper and Dave (not David) Curry for two-year positions; and William "Bill" Kell for the one-year term.

Rice District Community Hospital District's first bond election will be held the same day as those for the School Board and City.

The Board will consist of nine members; the top five in the vote count will serve two-year terms and the next four will be two years each. In this way, not all will expire at the same time.

Views On Dental Health. A GOOD FIT. When your teeth fit together comfortably, you have no trouble in chewing, speaking or smiling. Your face looks just the way "mother nature" wanted it to look. However, if your teeth don't fit together as comfortably as they should, this can cause serious problems. The dental term for bad-fitting teeth is malocclusion, from "mal" meaning bad and "occlusion", how the teeth fit together when the jaws are closed. There are many causes of malocclusion, among them harmful oral habits, early loss of primary teeth, disease or dental injury, or an abnormal relationship between teeth and jaw size. Presented as a public service to promote better dental health. From the office of JOHN B. MYRES, D.D.S., 704 S. McCarty Avenue, Eagle Lake, 234-3525.

COLORADO COUNTY COURTHOUSE REPORT

DEEDS Deed: Leander Pfinghaupst, et ux to Gary Dean Pfinghaupst, 6,000 acres out of 43,766 in Colorado County, Texas; filed 12-8-95.

Deed: David Wintermann et ux to Wintermann Family Partnership LTD, and, int. in property situated in the J.R. Westmoreland Truck Farm Subdivision; 12-8-95.

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Deed: Terylin Gregory Neale et al to James T. Marek and Harold Marek, 245.65 acres of land out of the James Cummins League Survey, A-13; 12-8-95.

Deed: Jimmy D. Simmons et ux to John J. Schermerhorn, 8,426 square feet of land out of Lot 4, Block 44, City of Columbus; 12-8-95.

Deed: The First National Bank of Eagle Lake to B.P. Bono and Joe A. Bono Jr., 197.53 acres out of the James Earl Survey, A-189, et al; 12-8-95.

Deed: Gary W. Newsum et ux to the Texas Falls Corporation, and, int. tenants-in-common in The Falls Resort and Club, Resort Section One, Resort Villa Interest Ownership No. RV 0551; 12-11-95.

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Deed: Howard Lobriess et ux to Andrew Labay, 2.00 acres out of the Preston Gilbert League, A-25; 12-8-95.

Deed: Margie Lou Krause Gartin to Larry A. Uhlig, two tracts of land in Colorado County out of the Martin Diehl Survey, A-175; 12-8-95.

Deed: Marie Mae Reichardt to Roland L. Reichardt, and, int. in the L.S. Von Roeder Survey, A-579; 12-8-95.

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