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To The Editor & You

Thank you, parents

Dear Editor,
The faculty at Eagle Lake Middle School would like to thank our parents for taking time to come to school for report card conferences.

Did You Know...

The hermit crab's home is an empty sea snail shell. When the crab grows too big for the shell, it hunts for a larger one.

Three hundred of our 380 report cards were picked up on Friday, Nov. 15, and other parents came in during the week of Nov. 18-22 to conference with teachers.

I appreciate the time and effort of our parents and teachers in building partnerships for the children of Eagle Lake.

Sincerely,
Deborah Matthews
ELMS Principal



Foot Facts

By Dr. Eric R. Tepper, Podiatrist

ELECTROMAGNETIC THERAPY

You may have heard someone mention having a sore foot or ankle treated by electromagnetic therapy, possibly even raving about the results. This is a type of treatment that has been followed extensively for about the past 25 years, mainly in Europe. Early research seemed to indicate that electromagnetic waves directed at hard-to-heal bone fractures or areas of stubborn inflammation could help the repair process. To apply the therapy, a negative-charged plate is positioned on one side of an affected area, and a positive-charged plate aligned on the other side. When electromagnetic waves are then transmitted, healthy cells apparently cross the force field to bring about healing. Some research has been done using this technique on patients with severe arthritis, with mixed results. The final word on electromagnetic therapy is probably not yet in, as more study is completed.

If you would like more information on the innovative technology now available in the practice of podiatry, or if you have other questions regarding the care and treatment of your feet, we invite you to call us at 234-5571, at Rice District Community Hospital. I am there every Tuesday. We are continually updating our education and skills in order to better serve your needs. Call us for an appointment for family foot care.

P.S. Ultrasound, MRI, X-ray, different types of scanning — all are among the tools a podiatrist may use to diagnose and treat troubled feet.

Comptroller Sharp says more needed for education

State Comptroller John Sharp last week said the Legislature would need about \$1.6 billion more to pay for public education in the 1998-99 biennium.

A few days earlier, Gov. George W. Bush, citing figures provided by House Appropriations Chairman Rob Jurell, D-San Antonio, said the amount needed would be about \$1.2 billion.

According to a report in the *Austin American-Statesman*, Sharp, Education Commissioner Mike Moses, a Bush appointee, and other state officials, said \$1.2 billion is not enough to meet a court order to maintain finan-

cial equity among school districts and construct school buildings.

Those costs are between \$354 million and \$400 million — the difference between Sharp's estimate and the House Appropriations Committee's estimate — which did not account for court ordered funding equalization, the report said.

Sharp said he intends to release, within the next three weeks, a list of budget cuts and savings equal to the \$1 billion Bush said should be rebated to local property taxpayers.

Bush's tax relief plan is tied to money left over from the 1996-97



State Capitol Highlights

By Lyndell Williams
and Ed Sterling
Texas Press Association

budget and projections of a healthy economy.

Meanwhile, last week, Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock forwarded a draft of his plan to Bush. The plan would lower taxes paid by homeowners, raise the homestead exemption and replace the

lost revenue with an increase in the state sales tax.

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