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Police

to theft of a bicycle. A report was taken. Knox later located the suspect and recovered the bicycle.

At 8:08 p.m., Officer Crume was dispatched to A Street in reference to a disturbance. The complainant and suspect were both contacted and the problem was settled between the two without any other police action.

On May 11, at 12:56 a.m., Officer Lattimore arrested Broderick Stevenson on two outstanding warrants. After processing at the police department, Stevenson was transported to the county jail for confinement.

At 4:49 a.m., Officer Lattimore was dispatched to D Street in regards to a past family disturbance. A report was filed.

At 9:10 a.m., Officers Ochoa and Brian Baklik were dispatched to a residence on Church Street in reference to a burglary of a habitation. A report was taken; the case is under investigation.

At 1:19 p.m., Officers Ochoa and Baklik were dispatched to Waverly Street in reference to the theft of a bi-

Sales, use tax passes

Commissioners Court canvassed the election results Monday and approved a resolution to allow Rice Medical Center to collect a 0.5% sales and use tax.

According to the resolution read by Judge Vince Slominski, the voters in the Hospital District favorably passed the proposition by 104 votes. “The Board of Directors and I are pleased with the results and look forward to reducing the property tax rate,” Administrator David Keith said.

The resolution is being forwarded to the Comptroller’s office in Austin and should be implemented by Oct. of this year.

The election also resulted in four incumbent Board members being re-elected: Joan Matthews, Obie Rhodes, Mark Anderson and Bill Harrison Sr. Although a few write in candidates were received, the four incumbents amassed the majority of votes.

Keith indicated he was pleased with the results. “I have a great Board of Directors who are progressive and forward thinking” he said. Evidently, the Board is making major changes at the hospital and for the better.

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Class of 1987 plans reunion

Rice High School Class of 1987 will be holding its 10 year reunion at the Eagle Lake Recreation Center (golf course) Saturday, May 31, with activities beginning at 10 a.m. Bring a picnic lunch for you and your family and/or guests. For more details, call Lesley Matthews at 409-234-5713 (daytime) or Stacey (Causey) Hlavinka at 409-335-7546 (evenings).

Juneteenth Celebration slated for June 14

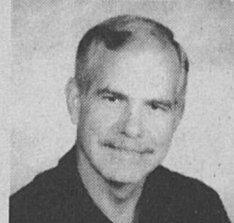
A Juneteenth Celebration is slated for Saturday, June 14. Parade and booth entry deadline has been set for Sunday, June 1. A Mr. & Miss Juneteenth Contestants will also be chosen Friday, June 13. Deadline for entry is also June 1. For more information, call 234-5651, 234-2467, 234-5067 or 234-7948

Chambers, Outlet Center sponsoring job fair


The Brookshire/Pattison Chamber of Commerce, in conjunction with the Sealy Chamber and Sealy Outlet Center, are sponsoring a Job Fair at the Outlet Center Tuesday, May 20, from 5 to 7 p.m. Representatives from Outlet stores or their application forms will be available for job opportunities ranging from stockers to retail merchandisers to assistant or head store managers. Currently, the Sealy Outlet Center has 34 stores with new additions coming regularly. For more information, call 409-885-3200.

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‘Loyalty Day’ proclaimed in City

VFW Post #8783 recently participated in the national observance of “Loyalty Day” with other VFW Posts across the U.S.

As the proclamation signed by Eagle Lake Mayor David Mann states, “The first of May is Loyalty Day and as such is a day filled with activities designed to involve the community in an overt display of loyalty to flag and country. Therefore, every loyal citizen should eagerly participate in the festivities in an effort to make this Day the best observance ever held.

“Loyalty Day has become a tradition with the Veterans of Foreign Wars. With the passage of Public Law 85-529 on July 18, 1958, the VFW won a long, hard battle to have Loyalty Day approved by Congress. However, this day does not belong to the VFW alone; it belongs to all Americans.

“We must pledge ourselves to maintain a free society in which loyalty is always encouraged and respected. For without loyalty, the U.S., the world’s best hope for a future blessed with freedom, cannot long survive. And, if we fail, the flame of freedom will diminish and fade forever.

“So, join in and be a part Loyalty Day. Let the world know that Americans are behind their country and that America, because of this, is still a strong, vibrant nation.”

VFW Post #8783 Commander Len Matula looks over Mayor David Mann's shoulder as Mann signs a proclamation making May 1 “Loyalty Day” in Eagle Lake. Headlight Photo by Jeannine Fearing

Commissioners

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Sheriff “Curly” Wied also announced that he had employed Doug Peterson as a deputy and Debra Benavides as a correctional officer.

In other business, the Court:

- Received a check in the amount of \$26,141 from the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service as its service payment to the County as authorized by the Refuge Revenue Sharing Act of 1978;
- Approved Cheri Tello’s status as a full-time employee as she will work part-time at the Texas Dept. of Health;
- Approved the access of two cellular lines for the Colorado County Emergency Medical Services’ Eagle Lake and ALS units;
- Adopted a resolution declaring May Mental Health Month and May 18-24 EMS Week;
- Awarded fuel bids to Colorado County Oil Co. in Columbus and Thomas Petroleum in Victoria; and County depository to Columbus State Bank;
- Tabled a decision on the awarding of the bid for the construction of a bridge at Warschak/Schuette Road at

Red Gate Creek in Pct. 3; and

- Canceled the May 26 meeting due to the Memorial Day holiday.

RMC

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requirement for participation in managed care plans and for professional referrals. Healthcare benefit plans and insurance companies are also using accreditation as criterion for establishing eligibility for reimbursement.

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At 3:48 p.m., Sgt. Knox was dispatched to an accident in the parking lot of Austin’s Grocery. Both parties made arrangements at the scene to have their vehicles repaired. No other action was taken.

At 11:17, Officer Risk received a 911 disturbance call to Shirley Street. After meeting with a subject at the residence, it was determined there was no disturbance. No action was taken.

On May 13 at 12:55 a.m., Officer Lattimore conducted a pedestrian stop in the 600 block of East A. During the interview, the pedestrian began running. Lattimore chased and caught him only to have the suspect break free and escape Lattimore’s detention.

Officer Risk and Sgt. Knox arrived to assist in the pursuit, with Risk catching the suspect, while Lattimore picked up evidence the suspect was tossing out of his pockets. The suspect, Gilbert Ruiz, was taken to the police department, processed, then transported to the county jail for confinement on charges of possession of controlled substance (cocaine), evading detention and resisting arrest.

At 6:49 a.m., Officer Lattimore was dispatched to a building on S. McCarty in reference to an automatic alarm. The building was checked, found to be secure and was turned over to the keyholder.

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Rebates

million delivered in May 1996, placing year-to-date rebates 3.6% ahead.

Arlington’s \$5.6 million in sales tax allocation was virtually the same as the rebate for May of 1996. Year-to-date rebates to Arlington show an increase of 3.7% over 1996.

Likewise, El Paso’s sales tax rebate of \$3.5 million was almost identical to the payment delivered in May 1996. El Paso’s local sales tax payments year-to-date are 1.6% ahead of those through May of 1996.

Other cities receiving notable sales tax rebates were: Irving, with a May sales tax rebate of \$3.7 million, for a year-to-date increase of 7.9%; Amarillo, \$3.6 million, 2.3% ahead of

1996 year-to-date; Plano, \$3.1 million, 6.5% ahead of 1996; Corpus Christi, \$2.8 million, unchanged; and Abilene, \$2.3 million, +2.7%.

The Comptroller’s next sales tax allocation is Friday, June 13.

Other cities in our area, the amount of their sales tax rebate this month along with the change from the same month last year are:

Columbus, \$60,188.66, up 63.99%*; Weimar, \$12,063.21, +3.03%; Sealy, \$65,352.07, up 14.69%; Bellville, \$18,835.15, down 9.34%; El Campo, \$151,478.43, +20.37%; and Wharton, \$102,667.61, 15.79%.

Year-to-date for the cities above are, Columbus, \$287,852.58, +52.67%*; Weimar, \$47,908.11, -7.74%; Sealy, \$288,678.61, +1.05%; Bellville, \$93,629.11, -2.56%; El Campo, \$677,823.87, +3.30%; and Wharton, \$431,323.67, +8.32%.

On the county level, Colorado County received \$90,231.03, up 61.45% from last year’s payment of \$55,887.49. Austin County received \$70,066.30, +13.39%. Wharton County received \$103,376.11, up 17.15%.

Year-to-date figures for the above counties are, Colorado County, \$267,683.73, +21.93%; Austin County, \$313,863.11, +6.59%; and, Wharton County, \$461,349.02, +0.72%.

*Columbus raised its portion to 1.5% effective 4-1-96, therefore, these are not accurate comparisons.

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