

United Way walk-a-thon is this Saturday

The United Way will once again sponsor their annual walk-a-thon this Saturday, Oct. 25, beginning at City Hall at 9 a.m. Costumes are encouraged for adults and kids of all ages.

All proceeds benefit worthy causes in our area like (See Walk, Page 8)

Daylight Savings Time Ends at 2 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 26 Set Your Clocks Back One Hour

After you get home from the Study Club Auction and before you go to bed Saturday night!

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NEWSBRIEFS

Rice CISD to give TAAS report

The Rice CISD 1996-97 TAAS report will be presented by Superintendent Dr. Richard Gott on Monday, Nov. 3, at 5 p.m. in the board room at the Administration Building in Altair.

Parents, members of the community and anyone else interested in the District's TAAS results are urged to attend in order to familiarize themselves with the test and its results.

Providence Baptist Church special services

New Sanctuary entering services will be held at Providence Baptist Church through Oct. 26. Friday, Oct. 24, at 7:30 p.m. Rev. Coby Shorter III, Pastor of Rosewood Ave. Baptist Church, Austin, will be the evangelist. An open house will be held Saturday, Oct. 25, from 4 to 6 p.m. at 1207 Seaholm, Eagle Lake. Join them for their dedication service Sunday, Oct. 26, at 3 p.m. with guest speaker Rev. Samuel J. Gilbert, Pastor of Mt. Siani Baptist Church, Houston.

New Town Community having fish fry

The New Town Community will sponsor a fish fry to benefit the sewer line project Saturday, Nov. 1, at White Cloud Baptist Church. Plates will be \$5 each. To place your order, call 234-7948, 234-7623 or 234-3042.

Strudel classes to be taught

The words "apple strudel" evoke memories of fall and the holidays. If you would like to learn how to take an authentic German strudel, call the County Extension Office at 409-732-2530 and sign up for the class to be taught by Madeline Hattermann Wednesday, Nov. 5, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the County Ag. Building meeting room. Space is limited to 20 participants. Participants names will be taken on a first come first serve basis.

CCA meeting is tonight

Combine Community Action Inc., will hold its Board of Directors meeting Thursday, Oct. 23, at 7 p.m. at the CCA Nutrition Center on 275 Ellinger Road, La Grange. The public is invited to attend.

Little League to elect officers

During a meeting of the Rice Little League Board scheduled for Wednesday, Oct. 29, there will be an election of officers held. Anyone and everyone interested in helping with the League should come to City Hall at 7 p.m. that evening. There are other jobs to be done besides being a coach, so there's something for everyone. Please attend!

United Way holding walk-a-thon

Eagle Lake's United Way drive kicks off Saturday, Oct. 25, with a 3-mile walk-a-thon starting at 9 a.m. at City Hall and ending at the Recreation Center. All citizens are invited to walk and make a contribution to this year's drive with the theme of "The Power Is You!" The goal is \$10,150. Contributions may be made at the First National Bank of Eagle Lake or mailed to United Way, P.O. Box 902, Eagle Lake, Texas 77434-0902. Remember, funds stay in the community so show your support and come walk with us Saturday!

Study club auction, stew supper this Saturday

The Eagle Lake Study Club will hold its 18th annual auction this Saturday, Oct. 25, at the Eagle Lake Community Center. The firemen's stew, from 5 to 7 p.m., will also have drive through plates available at the fire station besides their usual service in the Community Center. The Fire Department's Ladies Auxiliary will again be selling desserts. Other happenings that evening are: silent auction, 5 to 6:45 p.m.; bakery booth, 5 p.m.; and main auction, 7 p.m. Joe H. McCreary will again serve as auctioneer for the benefit supporting Eula & David Wintermann Library. There is no admission charge; dress is casual; hunters are always welcome! Door prizes will also be given during the main auction. If you have an item to donate, call Fair Wells, 234-3105.

St. Mary's PTC selling strudel, pies

St. Mary's PTC is again making apple strudels and pies. Orders will be taken through Oct. 30 and the strudels will be made Nov. 12. Costs are: unbaked, \$8; baked, \$12; pies will be made unbaked at \$8 each. Place your order by calling Marla Crane at 758-3625; Cathy Leopold, 758-3610; or St. Mary's School, 758-3267.

1st Annual Fall Festival scheduled at ELMS

Kids and parents... don't put those Halloween costumes in storage too soon! Nov. 1, from 4 to 9 p.m., the Eagle Lake Middle School will host a family festival with games, haunted house, dunking booth, food, drinks and fun. For more information, contact Vicki Gray or Deborah Haman at ELMS, 234-3501.

Red Ribbon Week is Oct. 23-31

Students, parents and citizens are asked to wear red ribbons during the week of Oct. 23-31, Texans' War on Drugs Red Ribbon Week. The fight against drugs can only be won with education, dedication and determination so please put a red ribbon on your car antenna and your front door at home. The campaign is an opportunity for schools, parents, students, civic groups, businesses, the media, law enforcement and all other concerned citizens to unite against drug dealers, pushers, suppliers and users.

Semana de la cinta roja el 23-31 de Oct.

Los estudiantes, padres y ciudadanos son invitados a llevar cintas rojas durante la semana de 23-31 de Octubre, 1997, que es la Semana de la Cinta Roja y la Guerra Contra las Drogas. La guerra contra drogas puede ser ganada solamente con educación, dedicación, y determinación. Favor de poner la cinta roja en su carro y la puerta de su casa. Este es un oportunidad para escuelas, padres, estudiantes, grupos de negocios, el radio y television, la policia, y otros a unificar contra las personas quienes venden, compran y usen drogas.

Sheridan PTS Halloween Carnival is Oct. 25

The Sheridan PTS will hold its 51st Annual Halloween Carnival Saturday, Oct. 25, from 5:30 to 9 p.m. The Queen's Contest will be at 5:30 p.m. with costume judging to follow. The cafeteria will be open. There will a drawing; the carnival booths will open at 7 p.m. Everyone is invited to join the fun!

Bus trip to Victoria planned for Nov. 7

A bus is being made available to transport those interested in hearing Ivan Dragicevic, Visionary from Medjugorje, to Holy Family Catholic Church in Victoria on Friday, Nov. 7. Rosary is at 6 p.m. and mass at 7 p.m. The bus will leave from Guffy Park (across from Farm Bureau) in Wharton at 3:30 p.m. The cost is \$12 per person and you are asked to bring a sack lunch. Reservations must be made no later than Oct. 24 by calling Lora Faltysek at 409-335-4116.

'Small Town Christmas' set for Dec. 14

The Sheridan Lions Club is holding meetings each Sunday at 4 p.m. in preparation for the "Small Town Christmas" program slated for 6 p.m. on Dec. 14 at Logan Park in Sheridan. Zelda Walker and Brent Pittman encourage all to attend.

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Tricil Foundation disbands

By Lynda Appelt, Contributing Writer

The Tricil Colorado County Community Service Foundation Inc. was dissolved Oct. 4 but not before distributing over \$56,800 to organizations throughout the County.

Councilwoman René Cooper-Scott, who served on the foundation's board, announced to Eagle Lake City Council at its Oct. 14 meeting that the Eula & David Wintermann Library in Eagle Lake received \$5,500 and Eagle Lake Little League, \$7,500.

Other recipients were Columbus Golf Course, \$10,000 for water systems and grounds keeping equipment; Colorado County Fair Assoc., \$5,008; Magnolia Homes Tour, \$2,890; Weimar and Columbus Little Leagues, \$7,500 each; and Weimar and Columbus libraries, \$5,500 each.

The foundation was established in 1991 with \$250,000 in funds contributed by Tricil, a subsidiary of Laidlaw Environmental Services that operates the Altair landfill.

Tricil failed to obtain a permit to accept hazardous waste from the Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission, thus additional funds that were to come from \$3 per ton of hazardous waste delivered at the landfill were not received.

T.J. Smith, formerly of Eagle Lake and now of Independence, Mo., served as the foundation's chairperson. Martin Williams of Columbus was secretary; Foster Martin, treasurer. Mayor of each city in the County also served as ex-officio members.

Kelly Janak of Weimar and Scott made up the remainder of the board.

Over the past six years, the Foundation provided funds for nine scholarships valued at \$20,000.

Contributions of \$10,000 were given during the past six year to Sheridan Parks & Recreation, Weimar Little League, E.H. Henry Historical Association and the City of Eagle Lake for improvements to the pool.



Red Ribbon Week Oct. 23-31

Texas War on Drugs Red Ribbon Week commemorates the death of Enrique "Kiki" Camarena, a Drug Enforcement Administration agent. Eagle Lake Mayor David Mann, along with Council members signed a proclamation making Oct. 23-31 Red Ribbon Week in Eagle Lake. Pictured above, with Mann are Eagle Lake Police Chief Keith Webb, Council members Barbara Pidgeon, J.W. Shavers, Bill Kell, Michael Cooper, René Cooper-Scott and City Manager Ron Holland.

Headlight Photo by Lynda Appelt

Mayor Mann informally announces resignation

By Lynda Appelt, Contributing Writer

Eagle Lake Mayor David Mann announced his resignation from the mayor's office at the Oct. 14 meeting of the Eagle Lake City Council.

Mann told Council that the Oct. 28 meeting will be his last. At that time, he will submit a formal resignation, then Council will begin the decision process of selecting a new mayor.

Mann informed Council that the person selected to fill the mayor's office may be a Council member or just a resident of the City.

If Council chooses to name a council member as Eagle Lake's new mayor, it must name a new member.

These people would serve until the May election.

"I apologize to the citizens of Eagle Lake for not fulfilling my commitment, but the call of my life to God's service must come first," said Mann.

Mann has accepted the call as associate director/mission coordinator for Coastal Plains Area Baptist Assoc. which operates from Sugar Land to Palacios. According to Mann, the bulk of his work will be in Ft. Bend County.

"This has been a joyful, fruitful and cooperative body to work with," Mann said of City officials.

Council repealed the tax ordinance adopted last March prior to the 1997 tax rate at 65.11¢ per \$100 valuation. This action came after two public hearings where no objections were voiced.

City Manager Ron Holland informed Council that the delay in construction at the juvenile detention boot camp facility due to a delay in steel acquisition has moved the completion date of the center to April. The steel has arrived and work on the facility has resumed.

Two 1997 Ford pickups for the Utility Department will be purchased through the H-GAC Cooperative Purchasing program for a price of \$15,552 each.

Council adopted a resolution in support of Cen-Tex Certified Development Corporation's efforts to purchase and renovate the Stuart Apartments. According to Holland, this will keep affordable low-income housing available to Eagle Lake citizens.

The apartment management will provide educational programs, such as job interview procedure, money management, how to maintain and take care of an apartment, how to buy your own home and so on.

Jamax Inc. of Tyler was granted a permit for seismic testing within the City limits and lay cable along roadways.

Council also approved a permit for Jamax to conduct 3-D seismic survey across the surface of a 27.97-acre tract owned by the City (the airport runway extension purchased from Joe Frazar).

Both delayed approvals came after Jamax agreed to require all its personnel associated with the geophysical operations to wear hard hats and safety vests for identification purposes as demanded by Council at a prior meeting. Jamax will pay the City \$100 per drilled shot hole.

In other business Council:

- Approved an 8 p.m. curfew for Halloween trick-or-treat street activities;

- Approved a request by United Way to conduct a walk-a-thon beginning at 9 a.m. on Saturday to kick off its 1997 financial drive;

- Approved bids for liability and property insurance coverage and health and life insurance from the Texas Municipal League;

- Learned from Eagle Lake Police Chief Keith Webb that reserve officer Jesus Rodriguez has been sworn in;

- Heard a report from Holland that

no pesticide/herbicide was found by the Texas Natural Resources Conservation Commission at the airport after electrical work was delayed due to a foul odor;

- Continued discussion of flooding in Melvin Gordon's driveway due to excessive rain and search for a solution with capped drain drilled in the driveway being discussed; and

- Learned from Councilwoman René Cooper-Scott that the Eagle Lake Little League received \$7,500 and Wintermann Library received \$5,500 of the \$56,800 distributed by the Colorado County Tricil Foundation Inc. when it disbanded Oct. 4.

Last chance for \$2 festival tickets

By Namita Verma, Raider Review Staff

Last call for all who want a morning of fun at the Eagle Lake Primary School Fall Festival this Saturday, Oct. 25.

For only a \$2 per ticket, pre-k through third grade can buy tickets from their homeroom teacher for a morning of face-painting, magic tricks, funny fortune-telling, costume contest, mad scientist, plinko, stuffed animal cake-walk, pumpkin pictures, ring-toss, mimes and more.

Grandparents and parents get in free; everyone else needs a ticket.

Tickets are only \$2 if purchased by Thursday, Oct. 23, from a homeroom teacher or \$3 at the door.

Students should bring extra quar-

ters for concessions and more games than a ticket covers (five games with a \$2 ticket; four games with a \$3 ticket).

Students pre-k through third grade can buy tickets for their brothers and sisters who do not attend ELPS.

Everyone is welcome at the Fall Festival, 9:30 a.m. until noon Oct. 25.

Children under second grade must be accompanied by a care-giver. This fundraiser benefits the Rice High School Drama Club who will entertain our local elementary grades with carnival games, performances and plenty of fun.

For more information, call Verma at 234-3535, RHS Drama Club.

EAGLE LAKE POLICE REPORT

Thursday, Oct. 16, the Eagle Lake Police Department (ELPD) began serving several arrest warrants which had been issued as a result of the work of Commander Keith Majors and his agents of the 25th Judicial District Narcotics Task Force.

The ELPD turned over surveillance intelligence and informant information to the task force which led narcotics agents to specific individuals and locations where suspects sold and delivered narcotics to the agents. Felony delivery of a controlled substance warrants were later issued by Justice of the Peace, Judge D. Dungen.

A man living on 6th Street in Eagle Lake was arrested on Oct. 16 and Felix Salinas of Pecan Valley, Eagle Lake, was arrested Oct. 17.

There are still outstanding felony arrest warrants which will be served with in the near future.

Especially, in light of "Red Ribbon Week" beginning Thursday, Oct. 23, Chief Keith Webb would like to publicly thank the task force for their efforts in helping the police department rid our community of drugs.

The following additional cases were handled by the police department during the week of Oct. 14 to Oct. 21, 1997, and have been cleared or are under investigation:

On Oct. 14, at 9:55 a.m., Lt. Clem Johnson took a report of a stolen bicycle from Beaks Street.

At 6:08 p.m., Sgt. Jack. Knox was

dispatched to E Street where he took a report of two stolen bicycles.

At 11:39 p.m., Officer Tim Crume was advised of a suspicious vehicle on FM 102 headed to Eagle Lake. Crume contacted the vehicle, identified the driver and turned the incident over to a county deputy.

Oct. 15, at 8:33 a.m., Lt. Johnson was dispatched to the 100 block of N. McCarty in reference to a broken glass door. Investigation showed the glass appeared to have been broken by an object which may have slipped from under a tire of a passing vehicle.

At 3:47 p.m., Sgt. Knox was contacted by the resource officer to go to the Middle School in reference to a juvenile problem. Sgt. Knox arrived and contained the situation until the resource officer arrived.

At 4:45 p.m., Lt. Johnson assisted Department of Public Safety Trooper Anthony Owens in the arrest of a subject on N. Lake Street on a warrant.

At 4:50 p.m., Chief Webb met with a complainant in reference to a threat, but the complainant did not want to take any action at this time.

At 9:30 p.m., Sgt. Knox was dispatched to Hubbard Ferry Road in reference to a loose dog. Before Sgt. Knox's arrival, he was advised that the dog had been chained up.

At 10:28 p.m., Sgt. Knox was advised of a possible intoxicated driver coming from Lissie. The vehicle was located and stopped, but the subject

appeared to be okay and committed no violations.

Oct. 16, at 2:30 p.m., a complainant came to the police department and met with Lt. Johnson in reference to a threat. The subject did not want to file charges at this time.

At 4:28 p.m., Officer Crume and Lt. Johnson executed an outstanding felony warrant for delivery of a controlled substance. After processing at the police department, the subject was transported to the County Detention Center (CDC) for confinement.

On Oct. 17, at 12 p.m., Chief Webb was requested by Chief Joe Garcia assist the Brookshire Police Department. Chief Garcia stated that he was investigating a kidnapping case in which he had received information that an abducted female child was being held in Eagle Lake by the daughter of the female abductor. Chief Garcia and an investigator with the DPS met Lt. Johnson at a location on Westmoreland. The child was located and returned to her mother. The case has been filed in the Waller County District Court by the BPD.

At 8:12 p.m., Officer Bill Lattimore and Reserve Officer Tobin Thomas were dispatched to C Street in reference to 9-1-1 hangups. The officers talked to an adult, who advised some smaller children were playing on the phone.

At 9:25 p.m. Officer Crume was dispatched to Sempres Street in re-

gards to loud music. Officer Crume observed that the music was not excessively loud, but asked the subjects to turn it down; they complied.

At 10:38 p.m., Officer Lattimore met with a complainant in regards to a subject criminally trespassing and getting her vehicle stuck in the driveway. The subject was issued a criminal trespass warning.

At 11:46 p.m., Officer Carl Risk received a call of a fight in a parking lot in the 300 block of Boothe Drive. Upon arrival, Officer Risk spoke with one subject, while he found the other subject had already left the premises.

On Oct. 18, at 12:51 a.m., Officer Risk received a call on a broken window on E. Main Street. Risk filed a report and statements were taken.

At 2:10 p.m., while on patrol, Officer Brian Ochoa heard loud music coming from a residence on E. State St. Ochoa issued the violator a summons for violation of noise ordinance.

At 2:17 p.m., Officer Ochoa was dispatched to a hit and run accident on FM 3013 at 1500 E. Main Street. Officer Ochoa gathered information from the complainant, Bobbie Sanders LeBlanc, of Houston, on the suspect's vehicle. Chief Webb later intercepted the vehicle from Rock Island and escorted the driver, Orrenna Mason Hammond of Rock Island, and the vehicle to Eagle Lake where she was issued a summons for failure to con-

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