

LCRA awards \$25,000 to GVFD

The Lower Colorado River Authority (LCRA) awarded \$25,000 to the Garwood Volunteer Fire Department (GVFD) to upgrade its fire truck's water pumper on Tuesday, March 31.

The department's current pumper is 24 years old and does not meet the State Board of Insurance requirements that allow a community to receive credit for an organized fire department.

The GVFD provides emergency medical and fire services to about 1,800 rural residents in southern Colorado County and part of Wharton County.

The grant will help upgrade the pumper and meet the requirements, which will allow area homeowners and businesses the advantage of lower fire insurance premiums.

The grant was one of 33 grants totaling nearly \$58,000 which were given in March through LCRA's Community Development Partnership Program, now in its third year.

The program provides economic development and community assistance grants to cities, counties, volunteer fire departments, regional development councils and other nonprofit organizations in LCRA's 58-county electric and water service area.

For more information on the grant program or to request an application, call Lori Vitek at 1-800-776-5272, Ext. 3393.

The LCRA is a conservation and reclamation district that generates electricity, manages the waters of the Texas Colorado River, operates parks and assists communities in economic development.

The LCRA operates on revenues from the sale of electricity and water



On hand for the awarding of \$25,000 to the Garwood Volunteer Fire Department recently were, from left, Jane Luedecke (Fayette Power Project), Vivian Spanihel (treasurer of Garwood VFD), George Cason (Director, LCRA), Colorado County Judge Vince Slominski, Richard Seifert (Precinct 1 Commissioner and Garwood VFD Fire Chief), Marian Bahlke (Regional Community Affairs Representative, LCRA) and Joe Wegenhof, Environmental Coordinator, Fayette Power Project.

and other services it provides.

It cannot levy taxes and receives no tax money.

Also receiving a grant was the Nesbitt Memorial Library in Columbus, recipient of \$4,300 to help build additional book cases.

The City of Weimar received \$4,290 for its library to help provide an automated card catalog.

As LCRA Director, George Cason stated, "When we have excess revenue, we send it back from whence it came... our customers!"

PJs do it again

Sunday, March 29, at 2 p.m., as a fitting close to the Prairie Chicken Festival, the first performance of PJs version of "Beauty and the Beast" was staged to a full house of enthusiastic audience members.

The musical numbers all received wonderful applause and response and all were enormously impressed with the PJs seventh production at the Prairie Edge Museum.

Monday, March 30, at 10 a.m., a special performance was staged. Some 300 students from first through fifth grades at Eagle Lake, Garwood and Sheridan Schools, as well as St. Anthony School, were invited to the performance, free of charge.

The students were a wonderfully receptive audience and, by all accounts, loved every moment of the show.

"Belle", played by Jessica Thomas, and "the Beast", played by Cliff Keith, were swamped by the children wanting autographs after the performance.

Due to the absence of Deborah Reed, this PJs production was entirely directed by Jacqueline Thomas and Jessica Thomas, both eighth graders at ELMS.

A wonderful cast of 13 were supported by the girls' mothers, Robin and Sherri Thomas, producers.

The backstage crew included Hub

Weller on lights, assisted by Jordan Konescheck; Heather Shanks controlled all sound and music. Kathy Stern, Jonna Bowen, Selena Sykowski and Carolyn Burrow all worked backstage.

Many thanks also go to Vic Scott and John Matthews for technical support on sound and lights.

Laura and John Myres worked hard on props. Sets were constructed by Randy Burrow and Ray Sykowski and decorated by Kathy Stern and a number of Rice High School students.

The cast and crew of "Beauty and the Beast" were: Prince: Cliff Keith; First Princess: Stephanie Sommerlatte; Captain: Clayton Bowen; Second Princess: Lindsey Thomas; Old Woman: Selena Sykowski; Louise: Jenna Cook; Helen: Kristi Johnson; Beast: Cliff Keith; Madame Rodeau: Jacqueline Thomas; Magic Looking Glass: Hillary Johnson; Isabel: Amanda Burrow; Marguerite: Tiffany Stern; Belle: Jessica Thomas; Rose Legend: Selena Sykowski; clock: Katlyn Thomas; masterpiece painting: Shelly Myres;

Additional thanks to: artwork, Deborah Reed, Rebel Canaris, Angie Leopold and Ben Turner; publicity: David Keith; sets: Kathy Stern, Carolyn and Randy Burrow; props: Hub Weller; sound: Melvin Schmidt; pro-

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COLORADO COUNTY COURTHOUSE REPORT



DISTRICT COURT CASES FILED

State of Texas vs Anthony Ray Hemphill, seizure and forfeiture; 4-2-98.
State of Texas vs Don Stevens Williams, writ of habeas corpus; 3-27-98.

DISTRICT COURT DISPOSITIONS April 2, 1998

Simon Herrera, Class A misdemeanor, assault, 7-25-97. Defendant sentenced to two years deferred adjudication, \$1,000 fine plus court costs, restitution and 160 hours community service.
Brenda Kay Newton, 2nd degree felony, aggravated assault, 9-2-97. Defendant sentenced to five years deferred adjudication, \$500 fine plus court costs and 120 hours community service.

COUNTY COURT CASES FILED April 3, 1998

Annie Henry, Rock Island, permittee intoxicated on licensed premises, 12-12-97, in Rock Island.
Michael Allen Stewart, Travis, driving while intoxicated (DWI), 3-1-98, on State Hwy. 71, north of Columbus.

Michael Allen Stewart, Travis, driving while license suspended (DWLS), 3-1-98, on State Hwy. 71, north of Columbus.
Justin Kevin Preston, El Campo, DWI-open container, 10-24-97, in Garwood.

Herberto Saucedo Salas, Sugar Land, DWI, 1-16-98, Interstate 10 near Weimar.

Russell Eugene Flores, Smithville, DWLS, 2-8-98, on State Hwy. 71, south of Columbus.

Juan Carlos Camacho, Columbus, assault, 5-14-97, in Columbus.
Mark Eugene Francis, Columbus, assault, 12-16-97, in Columbus.

Ernest Rudolph Cervantes, Atascosa, DWI, 2-20-98, on Interstate 10 near Weimar.

Shannon Diane Close, San Antonio, DWLS, 1-24-98, on Interstate 10 near Weimar.

Smoot Dayvault Mazel, Columbus, DWI, 1-23-98, on State Hwy. 71, south of Columbus.

Rhonda Renee Farley, Fayetteville, DWI, 2-13-98, near Frelsburg.
Eric Von Butler, Kendleton, theft, 4-

11-97, in Eagle Lake.

Mark Anthony LeBlanc, Houston, possession of marijuana, 10-3-97, on State Hwy. 71.

Shannon Thompson, Columbus, resisting arrest, 10-25-97, in Columbus.

DIVORCES FILED

Kim Lee Miller and Patricia Marie Miller; 3-31-98.

Mohamed M. Abdelrehem and Majda Fouad Bin Khadra; 4-3-98.

Ethel Delores Ray and Anthony Joel Ray; 4-3-98.

David Eugene Gray Jr. and Lillie Catherine Spaulding Gray; 4-6-97.

Laura P. Arellano and Oscar Roberto Arellano; 4-7-98.

MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATION

Jason Richard Pavlicek and Jennifer Ann Dudensing; 4-3-98.

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Kraft Regular

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French's Squeeze

MUSTARD

16 Oz. Jar

89¢

Heinz Assorted

RELISHES

10 Oz. Jar

79¢

Parade Hamburger Sliced

DILL PICKLES

32 Oz. Jar

99¢

Parade Foam

PLATES

50 Ct. Pkg.

99¢

Parade Charcoal

LIGHTER FLUID

32 Oz. Jar

99¢

Mardi Gras Paper

TOWELS

Roll

2 for \$1

Del Monte Squeeze

KETCHUP

28 Oz. Jar

99¢

Assorted Dole

PINEAPPLE

20 Oz. Can

89¢

Tree Top

APPLE JUICE

64 Oz. Bottle

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DRESSINGS

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Sparklett's Drinking

WATER

Gal.

2 for \$1

Parade White

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TUNA

12 Oz. Can

\$1.79

Marietta Vanilla

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79¢

Kraft Cool Whip

TOPPING

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Cook's Butt Portion	HAMS	Lb.	\$1.09
USDA Beef	BACK RIBS	Lb.	79¢
Farm-Raised Catfish	NUGGETS	Lb.	\$1.59
Decker Sliced	BACON	12 Oz. Pkg.	\$1.29
Decker Meat	FRANKS	12 Oz. Pkg.	79¢
Decker Sliced Bologna, Salami, Spiced Luncheon	LUNCH MEATS	12 Oz. Pkg.	99¢
Assorted Jimmy Dean's Breakfast	SAUSAGE	1 Lb. Roll	\$1.89



On stage during the PJs recent performance were, from left, in back, Stephanie Sommerlatte, Selena Sykowski, Jessica Thomas, Cliff Keith, Jacqueline Thomas and Tiffany Stern. In front were Amanda Burrow, Kristi Johnson, Clayton Bowen, Shelly Myres, Hillary Johnson and Katlyn Thomas.

Photo Courtesy of Deborah Reed



A NEW ARRIVAL

Kylie Lynne Wishert

Chris and Sandra Wishert of Nada are proud to announce the birth of their third child, a daughter, named Kylie Lynn.

She was born at 11:22 a.m. February 24, 1998, at Columbia Gulf Coast in Wharton.

Kylie Lynn weighed seven pounds, three ounces and measured 19-1/2 inches long at birth.

Kylie was welcomed home by Clint, her 14-year-old brother, and her 10-year-old sister, Kayla.

Her maternal grandparents are Irene and Joe Skuica Sr. of Nada.

Her paternal grandparents are Benrice and Oliver Wishert of El Campo. Her great-grandmother is Mrs. August (Pauline) J. Popp.

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ing counties are welcome to participate.

Anyone interested should call Jordan at the EMS office, 409-732-9635; or coordinator June Mahalitic, 409-234-2678.