

Police

Officer Risk received a call on a burglary of a residence on W. Main Street at 3:58 a.m. A report was filed and the case is under investigation.

At 12:11 p.m., Officer Ochoa was dispatched to 801 S. McCarty Avenue

in reference to a chemical spill. Officer Ochoa summoned the fire department to contain and remove the spill.

Officer Ochoa was dispatched to N. Lake at 2:11 p.m. in reference to phone harassment. The complainant

not want to file charges, and no police action was taken.

At 11:23 p.m., Sgt. Knox was dispatched to Glen Brook Street in reference to the burglary of a vehicle. Sgt. Knox investigated the scene and filed

I.C.E.

Monday, Sept. 14.

After the ICE House was on it's way, Harrison informed the volunteers that the FNB Board of Directors had made the decision to completely donate the building and property.

This donation will make it possible for the funds to be used more directly for the benefit of the young people.

When Harrison handed over the deed to the ICE House representatives it was definitely an occasion for celebration!

As treasurer, Nancy Nelson expressed, "It's seeing something you have hoped for and dreamed about become a reality."

Greg Contreras has taken charge of the physical renovation of the building and procuring the necessary equipment.

Jan Hargraves has volunteered to research and write grant requests for funding. Other board of director members who have done most of the legwork in getting things off the ground are Rhonda Bridges, John Gertson, Olivia Maxey, Mary Mimms, Maria Paz Nunez and Lisa Rose.

Other active volunteers are Rev. Barry Bauerschlag, Rev. Brent Beasley, Sandra Benge, Johnna Bowen, Cherry Corman, Robbin and Richard Clippson, Dave Curry, Frances Dromgoole, Hattie May Dromgoole, Tricia English, Greg Fernald, Stacy Hanlon, Margo and Bill Harrison Jr., Blair Hickey, Candy McCreary, Rev. Russ Minter, Laura Myres, Paula Richardson, Robin and Russell Thomas, Rowena Watkins, Rev. Eddie Winkler and Jeannie Young.

A wish list has been compiled for the materials to renovate the building and provide the recreational equipment. If you have anything to donate, please contact one of the volunteers listed. To contact the ICE House by mail, use P.O. Box 783, Eagle Lake,

Texas 77434.

Although some financial support has already been pledged, in order to operate the facility properly and hire a full time youth director, much more community support will be needed.

A community awareness event and pledge drive for monthly support will be held on Aug. 29.

The ICE House has attempted to seek out and include as many other concerned citizens as possible in this worthwhile effort. All involved feel it is very important for ALL of the youth of our community to feel at home at this facility. This can only be accomplished with broad-based involvement of adult volunteers. Information has been passed mostly by word of mouth, and many citizens may not yet have heard about this new group. If you would like to be involved in any way, the volunteers welcome you. The next meeting will be held at the ICE House Building, 200 Ice Street (east end of Post Office Street) at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Aug. 18.

Community involvement is essential. Our youth are worth this effort.

WISH LIST

Immediate needs for renovation of building: lots of volunteer "elbow grease"; use of power wash equipment; use of equipment to clear brush on grounds; garden/landscaping materials; concrete; gravel for a parking area; insulation; ceiling tiles; lighting fixtures; door, hinges, locks; framing lumber; sheetrock; joint compound; decking material for stage; lots of wall paint; misc. hardware: nails, screws, etc.; floor paint; and paint roller covers.

Later renovation needs: kitchen sink, faucets, plumbing; shower stall, faucets, plumbing; washer, dryer and connections; floor tile; stove; refrigerators (2); microwaves (2); fire extinguishers

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Outdoor equipment needed: volleyball net and balls; basketball goals (2) and balls; soccer goals (2) and balls; picnic tables; outdoor chairs; outdoor lighting; horseshoe game.

Indoor recreation needs: pool table (2); foos ball table; air hockey table; 4x4 folding tables (12); folding chairs (lots); computers (at least 486 level); piano.

Board games: Monopoly, Risk, checkers, chess, backgammon, dominoes.

Electronics: televisions (2), big screen TV, VCR.

Sound System: cassette player, CD player, keyboard, AM/FM receiver, power amp 1,000-1,500 w, mixing board, 16/24 channel, stage speakers (PA style), microphones, stands, cables, monitor speaker; PA compressor, crossover.

Hostage

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During face to face negotiations, Reynolds tucked the rifle underneath his left arm but then pulled a hidden handgun out and pointed it at Sgt. Lattimore.

Lattimore immediately restrained Reynolds' handgun arm but during the struggle, Reynolds broke free of Lattimore's grip.

County deputies began to approach Reynolds from the rear as he cocked the handgun and then began to point it back at Sgt. Lattimore.

Officer Crume fired a single shot at Reynolds, striking him in the left shoulder.

Sgt. Lattimore grabbed the infant as Reynolds fell to the ground.

Deputies Skip Edman and Benavides disarmed and restrained the wounded Reynolds.

Reynolds was transported to the Columbus Community Hospital where he was treated and held overnight for observation.

On Monday morning, Aug. 3, Reynolds was released from the hospital and taken into custody. He is awaiting setting of bond and indictment.

Texas Ranger David Maxwell Jr. was called to the scene to assist in the investigation along with Eagle Lake Police Chief Keith Webb and Chief Deputy Mike Schleider.

Sgts. Troy Neisner and Richard Lacourse and Deputies Edman, Benavides and Gene Rebel all assisted in the investigation as well.

Robin Reynolds suffered minor injuries. No injuries occurred to either infant or any of the officers.

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On Aug. 2, at 1:34 a.m., Officer Risk received a call of a fight on Walnut Street in front of the Community Center. One juvenile was detained and later issued a written warning for violating the juvenile curfew and then released to an adult.

At 2:20 a.m., Sgt. Knox was flagged down and advised of a person lying in the road on C Street. Knox found the subject passed out on the side of the road and gave the subject courtesy transport to his residence.

At 2:31 p.m., Officer Ochoa was dispatched to Heritage Lane in response to an assault in progress. Officer Ochoa arrived and found no assault had occurred, and found the argument to be civil.

At 9:04 p.m., Sgt. Knox was dispatched to N. Lake in reference to a fight. Sgt. Knox found no fight, but filed a report of disorderly conduct.

On Aug. 3, at 3 a.m., Officer Risk conducted a traffic stop in the 100 block of Glen Flora Road, which led to the arrest of the driver, Spencer Leslie Thomas, of Wharton, for driving with a suspended license.

After processing, Thomas was transported to the county jail for confinement.

At 7:45 a.m., Officer Ochoa was dispatched to Schley Street in reference to criminal trespass, and a criminal trespass warning was issued to the suspect.

At 8:21 a.m., Officer Ochoa was dispatched to the police department to meet with a complainant in reference to disorderly conduct. The same suspect was issued a citation for disorderly conduct.

Officer Ochoa met with a complainant at the police department at 12:15 p.m. in reference to a civil matter, and Officer Ochoa advised the complainant of the legal procedures.

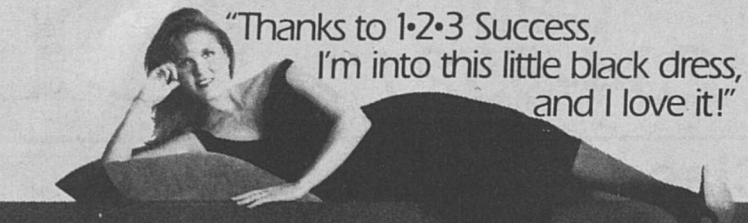
At 8:26 p.m., Officer Nelson and Sgt. Lattimore met with a complainant on First Street in reference to a theft. A report was filed and the case is under investigation.

At 10:47 p.m., Officer Risk received a call on a disturbance on Eighth Street. Upon arrival, Officer Risk discovered the call was part of a previous call handled by Sgt. Knox.

Sgt. Lattimore received a report at the police department of a lost remote device for a heavy duty wrecker. The remote is of heavy, black metal with eight buttons and an antenna.

If you have any information about this remote or find it, please contact the Eagle Lake Police Department or Delgado's Wrecker Service. A reward is being offered for its return.

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Another problem is that some people simply stop taking their blood pressure medicines. According to a study recently conducted by Australian researchers, stopping blood pressure drugs may increase the risk of having a stroke (usually characterized by bleeding in the brain and/or paralysis). According to a three-year study of persons who had bleeding strokes, persons with high blood pressure had more than twice the likelihood of having a stroke than those with normal blood pressure. Persons with high blood pressure who are at highest risk for stroke include younger adults, smokers, and those who stop taking their medicines.

Newsbriefs

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Beason's Crossing in Columbus. Winners will represent Colorado County at the 1999 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo.

The Go Texan Queen contest will be held Sept. 6 at the Nesbitt Memorial Library. Photography and Quilt competition will be held at the Colorado County Fair Sept. 10-13. Call 234-5347 for Go Texan information.

Prayer warriors wanted!

Prayer warriors are wanted for the "What Would Jesus Do?" non-denominational prayer group. The meetings will be held every Monday morning at 7:15 a.m. For information, call 409-234-7372 or 234-7692.

Resale extravaganza set for Aug. 22

Rice Medical Center Employee Volunteers will hold their First Annual Resale Extravaganza Saturday, Aug. 22, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Eagle Lake Community Center.

This event will offer a wide variety of arts and crafts booths along with a resale corner of bargains for everyone.

Anyone interested in renting booth space for this event or donating items may do so by calling Roxanne Walker or Sharon Sommer at 409-234-5571.

A \$25 fee will be collected for the booths which are still available on a first come, first serve basis.

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1998 Property Tax Rates in Rice Hospital District

This notice concerns 1998 property tax rates for Rice Hospital District. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

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| Last year's tax rate: | |
| Last year's operating taxes | \$ 490,199.86 |
| Last year's debt taxes | \$.00 |
| Last year's total taxes | \$ 490,199.86 |
| Last year's tax base | \$ 364,488,732 |
| Last year's total tax rate | \$.13449 /\$100 |

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| This year's effective tax rate: | |
| Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property) | \$ 496,798 |
| + This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property) | \$ 331,722,085 |
| = This year's effective tax rate | \$.14976 /\$100 |

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| This year's rollback tax rate: | |
| Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for transferred function) | \$ 496,798 |
| + This year's adjusted tax base | \$ 331,722,085 |
| = This year's effective operating rate | \$.14976 /\$100 |
| x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate | \$.16174 /\$100 |
| + This year's debt rate | \$.00000 /\$100 |
| = This year's rollback rate | \$.16174 /\$100 |

Schedule A
Unencumbered Fund Balances
The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

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| Type of Property Tax Fund | Balance |
| YRO | 34,941 |
| 1&S | 0 |

Schedule B
1998 Debt Service
The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long-term debts that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues for additional sales tax revenues, if applicable.

| Description of Debt | Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes | Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes | Other Amounts to be Paid | Total Payment |
|---|--|---|--------------------------|---------------|
| | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Total required for 1998 debt service | \$ 0 | \$ 0 | \$ 0 | \$.00 |
| - Amount (if any) paid from funds listed in Schedule A | \$ 0 | \$ 0 | \$ 0 | \$ 0 |
| - Excess collections last year | \$ 0 | \$ 0 | \$ 0 | \$ 0 |
| - State aid for facilities | \$ 0 | \$ 0 | \$ 0 | \$ 0 |
| - Total to be paid from taxes in 1998 | \$ 0 | \$ 0 | \$ 0 | \$ 0 |
| - Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 100 % of its taxes in 1998 | \$ 0 | \$ 0 | \$ 0 | \$ 0 |
| - Total Debt Levy | \$ 0 | \$ 0 | \$ 0 | \$ 0 |

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at _____ Colorado County CAD, 1st Flr., County Courthouse

Name of person preparing this notice _____ Billy Youens

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