

VFD Auxiliary holding golf tourney



The Ladies Auxiliary of the Eagle Lake Volunteer Fire Department (VFD) will host its Annual Benefit Golf Tournament Sunday, May 16, at the Eagle Lake Recreation Center. The four-person scramble will begin at 1 p.m. A \$40 per player entry fee includes lunch, drinks and green fees. Prizes will be awarded

for first through fifth places, longest drive and closest to the hole.

Pre-sale turkey and dressing meal tickets are available from any auxiliary member at \$5 each.

Your support in helping make this benefit a huge success will be greatly appreciated.

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Looking for affordable, simple home...

Colorado County Habitat ready to build second home in Eagle Lake

Are you looking for an affordable opportunity to buy a simple, decent home?

Colorado County Habitat for Humanity will build its next home in Eagle Lake on the corner of Hubbard Ferry and Austin Roads.

The selection of the family which will purchase the home from Habitat will be done by the Family Selection Committee in a way that does not

discriminate on the basis of race, sex, color, age, handicap, religion, marital status or because all or part of the applicant's income is derived from public assistance programs.

Colorado County Habitat for Humanity will look at three distinct areas:

1. Your family's actual housing need based on the suitability of your current shelter;

2. Your income and ability to pay for a Habitat house; and,
3. Your willingness to participate as a partner with Habitat.

The deadline for applications on this home is Monday, May 31. For an application, call 1-800-243-5369.

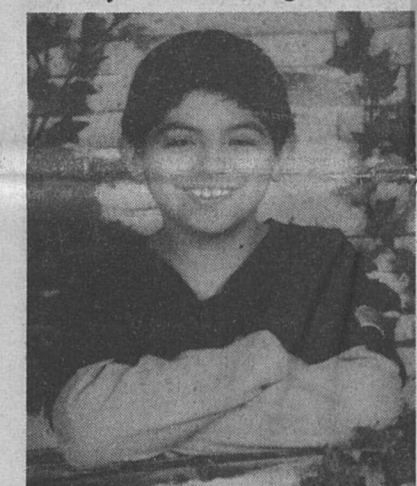
Benefit to be held for young cancer victim

A benefit for Angel Cavazos Moreno, the 11-year-old son of Eric and Belinda Cavazos Moreno of Rosenberg who was recently diagnosed with liver cancer, will be held Sunday, May 2, at Eagle Lake Supermarket. The benefit will help defray some of his medical expenses.

Barbecue plates will be served starting at 11 a.m. for \$5 each.

A bake sale will also be held. Your support will be greatly appreciated.

Angel is the grandson of Herbert and Mary Cavazos of Eagle Lake.



Angel Cavazos Moreno

VOTE SATURDAY

Thomas named 'Officer of Year'

The Colorado County Law Enforcement Association's (CCLEA) Annual Banquet was held Sunday, April 25, at Schobels' Restaurant in Columbus.

Over 40 people came to pay tribute to fallen Officer Tobin Thomas.

Among those in attendance were State Representative Robby Cook, Colorado County Judge Al Jamison, Columbus Mayor Dr. Tom Hancher, Colorado County Attorney Julian Moore and Colorado County Clerk Darlene Hayek, along with officers from the law enforcement field.

The opening speech, given by Mistress of Ceremonies Shirley Kearbey, President of CCLEA, was followed by a buffet meal.

Mayor Hancher gave the invocation before the meal reminding everyone to pray for the people in Littleton, Colo., and Kosovo. He also delivered the benediction.

In light of the person chosen Officer of the Year and, as a tribute to him, this year's banquet was a little different.

Speeches were given by Jamison, Hancher, Cook and Moore. They all stated that the law enforcement agencies in every community play a very

important role in each of our lives. "They put their lives on the line so that we can feel safe in our homes."

Cook read a proclamation that will soon be signed by state officials in reference to Tobin Thomas. He then presented the Officer of the Year

plaque to Tobin's wife, Laura, who was in attendance. Thomas was nominated by a fellow officer from Columbus for going above and beyond the call of duty on June 18, 1998, in an incident which took his life.

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State Rep. Robby Cook, left, and Sgt. Bill Lattimore, right, are pictured with Laura Thomas, wife of Tobin Thomas who was selected CCLEA's Officer of the Year. Cook presented her with the plaque honoring her husband, Tobin, posthumously.

Headlight Photo by Carol Nelson

NEWSBRIEFS

Museum Thrift Shop to be open Saturday

The Prairie Edge Museum Thrift Shop will be open this Saturday, May 1, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. for your shopping enjoyment and convenience. Some of the items the ladies have highlighted for this twice monthly event are a ceiling fan, a large coffee table, recliner, linens, lots of clothes and shoes and even a baby's car seat. Stop by the shop on the corner of N. Lake Ave. and E. Main. You'll be glad you did!

G.E.D. classes underway at ELMS

FREE G.E.D. classes are currently underway at the Eagle Lake Middle School (ELMS). Classes are held each Monday and Wednesday evening, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in Classroom 10 and will continue through the end of June. If you are interested in attending, stop by the classroom and the teacher, Ronnie Jones, will get you started. If you have any G.E.D. books, please bring them with you.

Study Club Luncheon is May 7

The Eagle Lake Study Club Luncheon has been set for noon on Friday, May 7, at the Eagle Lake Community Center. Tickets are \$6 each and may be purchased from the Eula and David Wintermann Library. Judy Baldwin of Bayou Bend Bureau will be the featured speaker and present a program on Ms. Ima Hogg. The public is invited.

PTO Barbecue to be held May 2

The Eagle Lake Middle School PTO barbecue beef dinner has been set for May 2. Ticket are \$5 each. Serving will be from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Austin's BBQ. For more information, contact ELMS at 234-3501.

Family, Friends Day set for Sunday

The pastor, officers and members of Providence Baptist Church, 1207 Seaholm Street, Eagle Lake, cordially invite you to worship with them in their 30th annual Sunday School Family and Friends Day, Sunday, May 2, at 3 p.m.

Rev. L. Robinson, pastor of Greater Union Baptist Church in Matthews, will be the guest speaker. He will be accompanied by his congregation.

'Life After Loss' meeting is May 4

The monthly 'Life After Loss' support group meeting in Wharton is scheduled for Tuesday, May 4, from 3-4:30 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, 1717 Pioneer St. Kathy Springer, LSW will present a brief program on "Grief and Anger". The group is available to anyone who has lost a loved one through death. There is no charge for attendance. For information, call 409-543-9487.

ELMS 8th grade to hold car wash

The Eagle Lake Middle School (ELMS) 8th grade will hold a car wash on Saturday, May 1, from 1-4 p.m. at the Eagle Lake Rehabilitation Services Center located at 720 South McCarty. The cost is \$5 per car.

Pre-registration set at St. Anthony School

Pre-registration for grades pre-k through 8th grade will begin for the 1999-2000 school term Monday, May 3.

Registration will be in the school office from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. A registration fee of \$75 per child is due at time of pre-registration. Pre-k students must be four years old on or before Sept 1; kindergarten students must be five years old before Sept. 1.

The school is located at 635 Bonham in Columbus. You may call 409-732-5505 for more information.

Senior Citizens' dance is May 7

The public is invited to a Senior Citizens' Dance, a place to meet old and new friends, on Friday, May 7, from 8 to 11:30 p.m. at the Eagle Lake Community Center. Music will be provided by Midnight Express. Admission is \$5 a person. For more information, call 234-3795.

GUBC youth fund raiser scheduled

Greater Union Baptist Church (GUBC) Youth Department will host a family portrait fundraiser Saturday, May 8, from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Participants will receive a 10x13 color family portrait for \$5. Photos will be taken by Special Moments Photography. You may also purchase more photos. For more information, call Roslyn Edwards, 234-5033; Gennell Allen, 234-3345; Deidra Fry, 234-3462; or Greater Union, 234-2581. Proceeds go toward the summer youth trip. Thank you for your support.

Garden Club to meet May 10

The Civic Garden Club of Eagle Lake will hold their last meeting of the year Monday, May 10, at 11:30 a.m. in the home of Fair Wells. Please note that this is a new meeting place. Come hear Lesley Matthews speak about the Main Street Program. Also, don't forget a plant for the plant swap. The Executive Board will meet at 5 p.m. Thursday, May 6, at Sportsman's Restaurant.

Lissie UMC to hold rummage sale

The Lissie United Methodist Church (UMC) will be having a rummage sale Saturday, May 8. Watch for a partial listing in next week's Headlight. There will be some interesting items.

Relay for Life scheduled for May 14

Today, over 2.8 million Americans are cancer survivors. To celebrate this victory, Wharton County's first American Cancer Society's Relay for Life invites cancer survivors to participate in a special survivor's lap during opening (See Newsbriefs, Page 10)

Family Crisis Center show is today

The Family Crisis Center, in partnership with the Children's Trust Fund and LCRA, mounted a show of art and writing by survivors of child abuse, sexual assault and family violence.

The purpose of the exhibit is to increase awareness of the prevalence and effects of intimate violence on children in our community and to provide encouragement and hope for survivors.

Art and writings follow the healing journey many survivors walk from initial crisis, to establishing safety and finally through reconnecting with supportive friends and family.

The opening reception was held April 13 at the McKinney Roughs in the Children's Trust Fund reception

area. The exhibit will continue there until April 30 in recognition of Sexual Assault Awareness Month, Child Abuse Prevention Month and Victim of Crime Awareness Month.

A slide show will be available to tour Fayette, Lee and Colorado Counties in April and we hope to tour the whole exhibit during the coming year.

The Colorado County slide show is scheduled for Thursday, April 29, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the County Courtroom on the first floor of the Colorado County Courthouse.

Bring a sack lunch. Drinks will be provided by the Colorado County Attorney Victim Assistance Program.

As an ongoing awareness provided by the County Attorney's office in partnership with the Attorney

General's Office, a one-day seminar will be presented May 20 on Victims' Rights and Services. Location and time will be announced and space will be limited.

Please contact the Colorado County Attorney's Office, Willie Mae Williams, Victim Assistance Coordinator at 409-732-8203 for further information.

EAGLE LAKE POLICE REPORT

The Eagle Lake Police Department reported the following calls and cases for the week ending April 26.

On April 20 at 6 a.m., Officer Michael Krenek was dispatched to 601 E. Main in reference to a gas drive-off. Information was gathered and the area searched, but the officer was unable to locate the vehicle.

At 7:56 p.m., Officer Randy Schlauch met with a complainant,

who filed a report of the theft of an extension cord and a hydraulic jack. The case is being investigated.

At 10:46 p.m., Officer Schlauch was contacted in reference to an assault by a juvenile. A report was filed and the juvenile was turned over to the juvenile probation department then back to a parent.

On April 21 at 8:16 a.m., Officer Krenek was dispatched to the 500 block of E. Main St. to a two-vehicle accident involving a 1982 Dodge van driven by Olivia Gant Maxie and owned by Mt. Moriah Baptist Church, and a 1987 Chevrolet four-door operated by Joyce Marie Hancock and owned by Scott Daniel.

Reportedly, Maxie made an unsafe left turn, causing Hancock to strike the right side of Maxie's vehicle. At the time, it appeared those involved had possible minor injuries.

At 4:48 p.m., Sgt. Tim Crume was dispatched to a possible family disturbance on Walnut St. The matter was resolved without police action.

On April 22 at 1:59 p.m., Officer Krenek was dispatched to B Street in regard to a verbal dispute. He met with the subjects, but no assault had occurred. No police action was taken.

At 4:09 p.m., Officer Krenek was dispatched the Eagle Lake Boot Camp in regard to an out of control juvenile. As a result, the juvenile was arrested for resisting arrest and returned to the boot camp.

Sgt. Crume investigated a verbal disturbance call on Hubbards Ferry, but no physical contact was made. No police action taken.

Sgt. Crume was dispatched to the 500 block of Prairie St. at 10:34 p.m. (See Police, Page 10)



Gathering to commemorate a grant to the Sheridan Lions Club recently were, in front, from left, Mark Wilkerson, LCRA Public Safety; George Cason, LCRA Director; Colorado County Commissioner Herbie Helmcamp; Leah Ross, Lions Club vice president; Natalie Dupre and Zeldia Walker representing the Lions Club; John Adams, SBEC Manager; and Marian Bahlke, LCRA Regional Representative. In back are Mike Shoppa, LCRA Lakeside Irrigation; Colorado County Judge Al Jamison; Joe Wegenhoft, LCRA/FPP; and Jane Luedecke, LCRA/FPP. (See story, Page 7.)

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