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**Morales home named 'Yard of Month'**

The Home of John and Jennifer Morales at 427 State Street is Eagle Lake Garden Club's "Yard of the Month" for Aug.

The day they were presented their "Yard" sign by Garden Club member Tanya Wiese, Mr. Morales was busily working in the yard, keeping everything groomed and well watered in this Aug. heat which we all know is no easy task.

The Morales family has established a beautiful, as well as, colorful, yard. Their house sits on a corner lot facing State. The front and sides are enveloped by hibiscus, periwinkle, Mexican heather and other varieties of shrubbery and blooming plants.

The focal point of the front yard is a very welcoming trellis, with a place to set and admire all of the beautiful abundance of color in the yard.

Please take a moment to drive by

the Morales residence and catch a glimpse of all their hard work. Way to go and a big thanks to the Morales family for doing their part in beautifying Eagle Lake.

**Fair kick-off dance deemed success**

To say the Colorado County Fair kick-off dance and auction Saturday night at the Columbus KC Hall was a success, would be a huge understatement.

A big crowd was on hand to enjoy the music of "The Tearjerkers" and Julie Marshall, and to bid on 45 items in the live auction.

When the auction ended, just over \$10,000 was bid on items ranging from bird feeders to homemade quilts,

from Beanie Babies to picnic tables.

The money raised in the annual kick-off dance auction goes directly to scholarships for Colorado County students.

In addition, the Junior Fair Board held a silent auction that raised \$1,017 for their organization with 45 items included.

The Board of Directors of the Fair, along with the Junior Fair Board, thank all donors and buyers for mak-

ing the event so special.

The Colorado County Fair will be held Sept. 9-12. For information, you can call 409-732-9266 or visit the Fairs' website at www.elc.net/ccfair.

**Did You Know...**

About six million cars are registered in the five-county area of Los Angeles. At a car for every two people, that's the highest ratio in the world.

**Newsbriefs**

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**Fair Opening Ceremony is Sept. 9**

The Opening Ceremony for the Colorado County Fair will be held Thursday, Sept. 9, at 6:30 p.m. in front of the National Guard Armory. The public is invited to attend.

**ELHS 'Reunion 2000' being planned**

A reunion of all persons who attended Eagle Lake High School from prior to 1920 through 1970 is planned for the first full weekend in Oct. 2000.

By next summer we plan to have a list of names and addresses for a mail out with more details. If you have any questions please call Ernie Sommerlatte, 409-234-3452, e-mail, ernies@elc.net; Bob Wilcox, 234-3554; or Grace Dell Cooper, 234-2937, e-mail gdcooper1@aol.com.

**Football tickets available**

Season tickets for Rice High School home football games are now on sale at the Rice CISD business office.

As of Monday, Aug. 23, those who have not held season tickets may purchase them on a first-come, first-serve basis. These will be on sale until Friday, Sept. 3. The cost for season tickets for all home games is \$20 per set.

There will be no reserved seats sold for individual games. Call Jennifer Korenek at 234-3531 for additional information.

Adult pre-game general admission tickets will be sold this year. The cost for these tickets is \$4. Tickets will be available only at the high school on Thursdays and Fridays until 3 p.m.

**Highlights**

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Education Agency's school accountability system are available online at www.tea.state.tx.us/perfreport/ac-count/99/index.html.

The 1999 accountability ratings are based on dropout rates, student passing rates in the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills and attendance figures.

Data tables show information used to determine the ratings for any campus or district.

Searchers simply "click" on campus, district or state data tables to get the information. Information on charter schools also can be accessed.

**Judge Rules for Early Voting**

U.S. District Judge David Hittner of Houston has thrown out a lawsuit challenging the right of Texans to vote early in federal elections.

Texas Secretary of State Elton Bomer, the state's chief elections officer, praised the judge's decision.

"Early voting in Texas generally accounts for about 30% of the ballots cast on a general election day.

"More important, early voting provides Texans a convenient means of letting their voices be heard. I am happy the court agreed early voting in Texas enhances our right to vote."

Bomer said.

**Other Highlights**

•More than 1.7 million Texans are expected to be on the Medicaid rolls in the fiscal year that begins Sept. 1, according to the state budget. The program will cost \$19 billion over two years, including more than \$7 billion in state funds. Created in 1965, Medicaid pays medical bills for low-income, older, and disabled people with no other access to health care.

•Global Positioning Satellite (GPS) system time will roll over at midnight on Aug. 21-22, 132 days before the year 2000, according to a U.S. Coast Guard news release. Many GPS receivers will claim it is Jan. 6, 1980. Some manufactures of GPS equipment have solved the problem and some have not. Users are encouraged to contact their receiver manufacturer.

•Hunting and fishing licenses for 1999-2000 went on sale statewide Aug. 11. If approved by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission this month, waterfowl hunters will get a 107-day season and 20-bird daily bag limit for light geese and a 74-day season and six-bird daily bag limit for ducks across most of the state.

**COLUMBUS LIVESTOCK AUCTION REPORT**

**Sale Every Thursday at 10:30 a.m.**

We will be on the air at KULM, Columbus, Wednesdays from 6:30 to 6:45 a.m. and Thursdays, live at ring side, from 2:00 to 2:15 p.m.

If we can help you with marketing your livestock, please call Todd Keaton at 409-865-2584.

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Columbus Livestock is located at 1064 Reese Lane, Columbus, (same exit off I-10 west, Exit 698, turn right on Reese Lane). Stop in at the "Auction Barn Cafe".

Receiving cattle on Wednesday at new location; receiving pens remain the same.

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**Market Report for Aug. 19, 1999**

Animals on hand: cattle, 1957; three horses.

Number of sellers: 328.  
Packer cows: higher dressing utility & cutter cows, 35-42¢ per lb.; lower dressing utility & cutter cows, 30-35¢ per lb.; thin cows, 25-30¢.

Packer bulls: heavy weight bulls, 45-50¢; utility cutter bulls, 40-45¢.

**Stocker/Feeder - Calves/Yearlings**

Steers # 1: 200-300 lbs., \$1.00-1.29; 300-400 lbs., \$1.00-1.22; 400-500 lbs., 88-97¢; 500-600, 77-87¢; 600-700 lbs., 75-81¢; 700-800 lbs., 68-73¢.

Heifers # 1: 200-300 lbs., 95¢-\$1.14; 300-400 lbs., 90-97¢; 400-500 lbs., 80-88¢; 500-600, 73-80¢; 600-700 lbs., 70-75¢; 700-800 lbs., 65-69¢.

Good Stocker Cow calf pairs, \$750-825 by the head; Med. cow, calf Pairs, \$650-750 by the head; common cow & calf pairs, \$450-650; good stocker cows & heifers, \$450-500; med. cow & heifers, \$400-450.

**Museum**

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A new exhibit honors the memory of a county favorite and everyone's friend, the late Floyd Neuendorff (1926-1999). He was, of course, proprietor of a water well service bearing his name. The exhibit contains action photographs by Evangeline Loessin (Mrs. Elbert) Whorton of Floyd and his crew pulling the ancient hand pump and installing a modern one at Lakeside Cemetery. The old pump is now on display at the museum.



**Happy 4<sup>th</sup> Birthday Poiya Hajari**

8-24-99  
Love,  
Mom, Dad & Krupa



**Lordy, Lordy Look Who's 40!**

Love,  
Your Wife & Boys

**Belated Happy Birthday**



**Ashley & Peggy**

God Bless You With Many More

Love,  
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**Thank You**

The Colorado County Fair Association Board of Directors along with the Junior Fair Board would like to sincerely thank the buyers and donors that helped us set a new record in dollars raised for scholarships at our Kick-Off Dance Saturday night.

Your support of the youth of Colorado County is greatly appreciated.

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