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To The Editor & You

Law enforcement officers need your help

During Oct. 1999, Texas lost four law enforcement officers to senseless, violent death. Why? Because they did their job; they answered the call.

According to an FBI report in a front page story in the *San Antonio Express-News*, Oct. 17, 1999, the most dangerous job in law enforcement is that of a rural deputy sheriff. They are required to enforce all laws—federal, state, county, and city—not just local ordinances. Do you know that many of these rural

deputies (and police officers in small communities) earn less than \$22,000 per year? Because they earn so little, most of them must moonlight on their days off just to provide basic needs for their families.

It's time we Texans step up and answer our call. Because Texas is one of the fastest growing states, and we want our state to be safe, it's up to us to see that all enforcement officers are paid a respectable salary. It's up to you to write our state representatives and

state senators to demand that Texas either provide a base salary for full-time law enforcement officers or a stipend to bring up those wages that are below the poverty line.

As parents of a law enforcement officer in rural Texas, my husband and I realize that there will always be danger in that job, but we would like to improve the quality of their lives. We need your help. We need people from all 254 counties in Texas to pass around petitions and get signatures

from their fellow citizens to present to our state legislature when it meets in Jan. 2001.

If you would like to join a real Texas "posse", send a legal-sized, self-addressed, stamped envelope, and I will send you the appropriate petition, information about how to obtain signatures and directions for delivery of your petition. Send your request to me, Betty Harper Murphy, P.O. Box 102, Fort Stockton, Texas (See Help, Page 10)

Bittners say 'thank you'

Dear Editor:

We would like to thank the Garwood Volunteer Fire Department for their quick response and professionalism in our time of need.

We are very grateful that our small community have so many caring and well-trained volunteers that can provide quick and life-saving aid.

The Family of Alois Bittner

You should know the 'positives'

Dear Editor:

Most of what we hear regarding our police department are the negative things. We wanted to let the city know of the positive.

We had an incident recently where we called the police department regarding our dog missing. They came out and investigated; came back out several days later; and, as a result, the

dog was found and returned.

We just wanted to say thank you to the entire Eagle Lake Police Department and more especially to Officer Krenek and Sgt. Lattimore. Thanks again to all. Good Job!!

And it is nice to know you guys are here for us.

Esta and Larry Lippman

Gov. Bush continues campaign after injuries

Gov. George W. Bush sustained bruises and scrapes to his right leg and hip Nov. 1 from diving to avoid a large truck that overturned and spilled broken concrete and tree limbs on a downtown trail.

A Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) security officer, who was riding a bicycle near Bush on a hike-and-bike-trail, was hit by flying debris and transported to a hospital for treatment of minor injuries.

Bush, the front-running candidate for the Republican Party's presidential nomination, was treated at the scene and later that day boarded a plane for a campaign trip to New Hampshire.

Voter Turnout Typically Low

Thirteen of 17 proposed constitutional amendments passed in the Nov. 2 election.

Only 8.3% of Texas' 11.4 million registered voters made it to the polls. Secretary of State Elton Bomer, Texas' chief elections officer, bemoaned the state's continuing problem with "turnout-burnout."

Among the 13 propositions that passed were:

- A \$400 million bond issue for college student loans;
- Allowing wages to be garnished for court-ordered spousal maintenance;
- Revising succession to the governor's office by the lieutenant governor if that office becomes vacant; and
- Allowing homeowners age 62 or older to be eligible for loans under a "reverse mortgage."

The four defeated propositions would have:

State Capitol Highlights

By Ed Sterling
Texas Press Association

- Allowed state employees to be paid while serving on local governmental boards;
 - Specified that the adjutant general serves at the governor's discretion rather than a two-year appointment;
 - Specified that the health and human services commissioner serves at the governor's discretion rather than a two-year appointment;
 - Created a nine-member commission to recommend salaries for state judges.
- Results of the election are unofficial until votes have been canvassed Nov. 25.

Texas Leads in Traffic Deaths

The U.S. Department of Transportation reports that Texas led the nation with 3,577 people killed in traffic accidents last year.

California, with 3,112 deaths and Florida with 2,548, were second- and third-highest.

A study by the federal agency shows that the consumption of alcohol was involved in nearly 30% of the traffic deaths in Texas and driving faster than road conditions permit was the second-most frequent cause of traffic deaths.

Speeding is third in the violations that contribute to fatal accidents in Texas, said Tom Vinger, a spokesman for the DPS.

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Fresh Colorado **RUSSET POTATOES** 20 Lb. Bag **\$2.79**

Armour or Jennie-O "Grade A" Hens or Toms **TURKEYS** (Limit 1 with \$10 or More Purchase) Lb. **39¢**

Regular, Diet, Caffeine Free Mr. Pibb, Barq's Root Beer, Cherry Coke, Fresca, Minute Maid Flavors, Sprite or

CLASSIC COKE 2 Liter Bottle **99¢**

Regular or Light **SCHAEFER BEER** 12 Pk. Cans **\$3.99**

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Blue Bell **SHERBET** Ct. **\$1.69**

Blue Bell Chocolate or Banana **FUDGE BARS** 12 Pk. **\$1.79**

Blue Bell **KRUNCH BARS** 6 Pk. **\$1.79**

Jiffy Corn **MUFFIN MIX** 8-1/2 Oz. Box **4 for \$1**

Wesson Vegetable or Corn **COOKING OIL** 48 Oz. Bottle **\$1.59**

Parade **APPLE JUICE** 64 Oz. Bottle **99¢**

DAWN Dish Liquid 19 Oz. **99¢**

Texsun Pink **GRAPEFRUIT JUICE** 46 Oz. Can **79¢**

Texsun Orange-Pineapple or **ORANGE JUICE** 46 Oz. Can **\$1.19**

Del Monte **PINEAPPLE JUICE** 46 Oz. Can **\$1.19**

Assorted Imperial Brown or **POWDERED SUGAR** 1 Lb. Box **2 for \$1**

Parade **EVAPORATED MILK** 12 Oz. Cans **2 for \$1**

Libby's **PUMPKIN** Ocean Spray Whole or Jellied **CRANBERRY SAUCE** 16 Oz. Cans **79¢**

Campbell's Mushroom, Chicken, Celery **CREAM SOUPS** 10-3.4 Oz. Can **79¢**

Assorted Stove Top **STUFFING MIX** 6 Oz. Box **\$1.29**

KARO SYRUP 16 Oz. Bottle (Red or Blue Label) **\$1.49**

Parade Angel Flake **COCONUT** 14 Oz. Bag **99¢**

Nestle's Semi-Sweet **MORSELS** 12 Oz. Pkg **\$1.79**

Comstock Cherry **PIE FILLING** 21 Oz. Can **\$1.29**

Comstock Apple **PIE FILLING** 21 Oz. Can **\$1.19**

Parade Kosher or Polish Dill **PICKLES** 24 Oz. Jar **99¢**

Assorted Parade **PINEAPPLE** 20 Oz. Can **88¢**

Parade Mandarin **ORANGES** 11 Oz. Can **2 for \$1**

Parade Cherry or Apple **PIE FILLING** 21 Oz. Can **99¢**

Tuff Stuff **FOAM PLATES** 40 Ct. Pkg **79¢**

Kellogg's **RICE KRISPIES** Cereal 19 Oz. Box **\$2.49**

Parade Diced **TOMATOES & Green Chillies** 10 Oz. Can **2 for \$1**

Bakers Angel-Flake **COCONUT** 14 Oz. Pkg **\$1.49**

Skinners Long or Thin **SPAGHETTI** 24 Oz. Pkg **88¢**

Betty Crocker Fudge **BROWNIE MIX** 10-14 Oz. Pkg **2 for \$1**

Assorted **ZEST** Bath Bar Soap 3 Pk. **\$1.59**

Lone Star Mini Chunk **DOG FOOD** 18 Lb. Bag **\$3.99**

Parade Regular **PIE SHELLS** 2 Pk. **99¢**

Parade Deep Dish **PIE SHELLS** 2 Pk. **99¢**

Parade **WHIPPED TOPPING** 8 Oz. **69¢**

Green Giant Cut Green Beans, Sweet Peas, Niblet Corn **FROZEN VEGETABLES** 16 Oz. Pkg **89¢**

Parade **SPREAD CROCK** 3 Lb. Bowl **99¢**

Parade Sliced Singles **AMERICAN CHEESE** 16 Oz. Pkg **\$1.99**

Bluebonnet **MARGARINE** 1 Lb. Qrs **2 for \$1**

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Field Fresh **CAULIFLOWER** Each **\$1.29**

Mild Yellow **ONIONS** Lb. **25¢**

Fresh Crunchy **CARROTS** 1 Lb. Pkg **39¢**

Sweet California Red Seedless **GRAPES** Lb. **\$1.19**

Sweet Florida **TANGERINES** Each **5 for \$1**

NW Red or Golden Delicious **APPLES** Each **6 for \$1**

NW Red or Green Bartlett **PEARS** Each **6 for \$1**

Only The Best Cuts From Our In-Store Meat Market

Butterbell "Grade A" Hens or Toms **TURKEYS** Lb. **99¢**

USDA Family Pack Fresh Lean Assorted **PORK CHOPS** Lb. **\$1.19**

USDA Family Pack Fresh Lean CENTER CUT **PORK CHOPS** Lb. **\$1.69**

Tyson's Fresh "Grade A" **WHOLE FRYERS** Lb. **69¢**

Tyson's Fresh **CUT-UP FRYERS** Lb. **89¢**

Tyson's Boneless **CHICKEN THIGHS** Lb. **\$1.69**

USDA Family Pack **CHICKEN WINGS** Lb. **79¢**

USDA Boneless Beef **ROUND STEAKS** Lb. **\$1.59**

USDA Boneless Beef **ROUND STEAKS** TENDERIZED Lb. **\$1.79**

USDA Boneless Beef **RUMP ROASTS** Lb. **\$1.99**

USDA Boneless Beef **SIRLOIN TIP ROASTS** Lb. **\$1.99**

USDA Family Pack Boneless Beef **SIRLOIN TIP STEAKS** Lb. **\$1.99**

USDA Family Pack Boneless Beef **CUBE STEAKS** Lb. **\$2.49**

USDA Fresh Lean **GROUND ROUND** Lb. **\$1.99**

USDA Beef **OX TAILS** Lb. **\$1.99**

Cook's Center Cut **HAM STEAKS** Lb. **\$2.49**

USDA Drumsticks, Wings, Necks **TURKEY PARTS** Lb. **59¢**

USDA Pork Neck Bones or **PIGS FEET** Lb. **59¢**

Farm Raised **CATFISH NUGGETS** Lb. **\$1.39**

Decker Jumbo Meat **HOT DOGS** 16 Oz. Pkg **88¢**

Rath Sliced **BACON** 12 Oz. Pkg **\$1.39**

Oscar Mayer Red Rind Sliced Salami or **BOLOGNA** 16 Oz. Pkg **\$1.29**

Let's Look Back...

24 & 48 YEARS AGO

July 25, 1974

Troy Krenek of Garwood and Lewis J. Rosprim of Eagle Lake, Vocational Agriculture teachers, Rice Consolidated High School, will be honored by the Vocational Agriculture Teacher's Association of Texas in Houston on Tuesday, July 30...

In a double ring ceremony in the First Baptist Church of Woodboro, Texas, Saturday, June 8, Miss Rosemary Laredo and Freddie Armstrong were united in marriage...

Citizens in the community will regret to learn of the death of Mrs. Neta Turner, a former resident here for a number of years...

Sandy Grammer was named to the State All-Star Cagers...

Miss Pam Krenek, bride-elect of Harry Brisco Jr., was honoree at a lingerie shower on Saturday, July 20, in the home of the Truman Engstroms. She was also honored at a miscellaneous shower at the Sheridan Community Center on Thursday, July 11...

Beryl Shorter, daughter of Rev. & Mrs. Coby Shorter Jr., was the winner of the Senior Division of the 1974 Colorado County 4-H Dress Revue held Monday in Columbus...

Mr. & Mrs. Jack Greene of Houston are proud to announce the arrival of a son, David Lee, born July 17. Grandparents are Mr. & Mrs. Hugh Sheridan and Mr. & Mrs. Jackson Greene of Houston. Great-grandparents are Mrs. Rose Lange of Eagle Lake and Mrs. Howell...

Clayton Jack Snow, brother of Mrs. Otto T. Danklefs of Garwood and father of Mrs. Guy R. Botard of

Sheridan passed away Friday, July 19. Funeral services were held July 21...

Midshipman John S. Moore, son of Mr. & Mrs. Elmer Struss of Eagle Lake, is one of more than 800 Naval Academy midshipmen who are undergoing specialized summer training...

Mayor Elmer Struss and City Manager T.J. Smith inspected the

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Letter to Editor Policy

The Eagle Lake Headlight will accept reasonable length letters for publication in the "Letter to the Editor" column under the following guidelines:

1. Letter should not be more than 1,500 characters.
2. All letters must include the writer's name printed as well as the writer's signature, and include the writer's address and home and work telephone numbers. The Headlight must be able to reach the writer in person before the letter can be published.
3. The writer may request that their name be withheld from publication, but the information mentioned in No. 2 must be included for our files.
4. Letters about political activity will be published but those which mention candidates will be considered advertising and charged at the regular advertising rate.
5. Letters from political candidates espousing a political view, will be considered for publication but the writer's name will not be printed unless the writer pays the retail advertising rate.
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