

# County Hay Show is Oct. 11

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The annual Colorado County Hay Show will be held Wednesday, Oct. 11, at 4 p.m. in the Nada Community Center.

Dr. David Bade, Professor and Extension Forage Specialist with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service, will be serving as judge for the show.

Bade will also discuss new Bermudas and management of forages for top production.

Melissa Barton with the Texas Department of Agriculture will discuss laws and regulations as they relate to pesticide application.

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## NEWSBRIEFS

### Attention mini-camp participants!

All children who participated in the cheerleading mini-camp in Aug. are invited to cheer Thursday, Oct. 11, at Raider Stadium. Be at the field at 5:30 p.m. to practice. Campers will cheer between the 7th and 8th grade games that night. Wear your Raider t-shirt and bring your pom-poms, if you have them.

### Thrift Shop, Museum need volunteers

The Thrift Shop and Prairie Edge Museum need volunteers to assist with merchandising and twice-monthly sales. Interested persons kindly see Louise Brunner or Mac Ashby.

### Harvest Ball is set for Oct. 20

On sale now... Rice Medical Center Employee Volunteers' 6th Annual Harvest Ball. This year's ball will honor Mike V. Duarte for his vision, leadership and commitment to the health and well-being of our community. The ball will be held Saturday, Oct. 20, at the Community Center. The \$50 per couple ticket provides a complete evening of entertainment starting with a social hour at 6 p.m. and dinner, salute to Mr. Duarte and dancing to follow. Each ticket also has the chance of being drawn for cash prizes. A silent auction will be held throughout the evening. For more information or to purchase a ticket, call Susan Hernandez or Shara Glaiser at 979-234-5571.

### GCD meeting is tonight

The Post Oak Groundwater Conservation District will hold a public meeting Thursday, Oct. 4, at 7 p.m. in the Eagle Lake Community Center, 100 N. Walnut. Plan to attend to voice your opinion.

### Senior Citizen's Dance is Friday

The public is invited to a Senior Citizen's Dance, a place to meet old and new friends, Friday, Oct. 5, 8-11 p.m. at the Eagle Lake Community Center. Music will be provided by This Is It. Admission is \$5 per person. For more information call 979-234-3785.

### Joe Scruggs in concert at ELMS Oct. 4

Eagle Lake Primary School PTO proudly invites everyone to an evening of fun with music by Joe Scruggs. Mark your calendar for Thursday, Oct. 4, at 7 p.m. at the Eagle Lake Middle School (ELMS) cafeteria. Admission is \$3 for all children; \$6 for adults. For information, call Lydia Contreras at 234-3239.

### Plans finalized for Homecoming

Rice High School cheerleaders and student council members have finalized plans for Homecoming activities next week. On Thursday night, Oct. 11, the annual red wagon parade and bonfire will be held following the junior high football games. The Booster Club will hold a hamburger supper during the games. The Homecoming pep rally will be held Friday, Oct. 12, at 2:40 p.m. Raider fans are invited to attend all events. Of course, the Homecoming King and Queen will be crowned during halftime ceremonies of the Rice-Wharton game.

### MMBC Gospel Explosion is Oct. 6

The Mt. Moriah Baptist Church (MMBC) in Alleyton presents an outdoor Gospel Explosion featuring food booths, desserts, an auction, games, flea market, praise dancing and many gospel groups from around Texas on Saturday, Oct. 6, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Groups are invited to come out and minister! If your group is interested, call Pastor Davies at 281-342-7557 or Paul Richardson at 234-7083. Booth space is available and the public is invited. "It's on at the Little Church in the Country".

### PODS to meet Oct. 9

Parents of Dyslexic Students (PODS) will have their first meeting of the year Tuesday, Oct. 9, at 6:30 p.m. at the McCreary Auction Building. Discussion will include characteristics of dyslexia and ways to communicate with the classroom teacher. This meeting is not just for parents with dyslexic students, but for anyone who has a child with reading difficulties. Call Candy McCreary for more information at 234-3836.

### Booster Club hamburger supper is Oct. 11

The Rice Raider Booster Club will hold their Hamburger Supper Thursday, Oct. 11, during the junior high football game. For \$5 you can purchase a burger, chips and a drink. A bonfire will be held that night at approximately 8:30. Come show your support of the Raiders as they prepare to take on Wharton.

### Parish Festival is Oct. 21

The Parish of the Nativity in Eagle Lake will hold its annual Festival Sunday, Oct. 21, at 545 S. Austin Road (across from the hospital). Barbecue and sausage will be served starting at 11:30 a.m. for \$6 a plate. Curb service is available. A drawing will also be held featuring a \$1,000 gift certificate. Drawing and meal tickets will be sold at S&W Parts, 234-3509; and Marcy's Beauty Salon, 234-2952. The auction starts at 1 p.m. For more information, call 234-2842.

### Yard decorating contest being held

A scarecrow yard decorating contest will be held for the Garwood/Nada communities with judging Oct. 26. Entrants must contact either Alice Kallina at 979-758-3249 or Gay Stephens at 758-3476 by Oct. 25 to enter the contest. Everyone is encouraged to enter this fun event.

### Booster Club meeting is Oct. 29

The Rice Raider Booster Club will meet Monday, Oct. 29, at 7 p.m. in the commons at the high school. All Raider parents and fans of seventh grade through varsity girls and boys sports are urged to attend.

### Free screenings for your child

If you are concerned about your child's level of development in the areas of walking, talking, hearing, seeing, and thinking, we can help. Region III Education Service Center's Early Childhood Intervention Program and the Colorado County Special Education Coop will offer free developmental screenings for any child between the ages of birth and 21 years. The screening will be held Oct. 17 from 9 to 11:30 a.m. at Eagle Lake Primary School. Please call for an appointment at 979-234-3587. A representative from Head Start will also be available for information or to assist with an application for children eligible for Head Start.

### Garwood Fire Department benefit is Oct. 8

The KJZT #17 of Nada will hold a drawing to benefit the Garwood Volunteer Fire Department Monday, Oct. 8, from 6 to 8 p.m. The fire department will be selling hamburgers. You may eat at the Garwood Fire Station or take them to go. The drawing will be held at 8 p.m.

### Eagle Lake Lions Club BBQ is Sunday

The Eagle Lake Lions Club will be cooking up your Sunday dinner for you on Oct. 7. Barbecue chicken with all the trimmings will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Eagle Lake Golf Course. Ticket is \$6 each and can be purchased from any Lions Club member. Curb service will be available.

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## Raiders destroy Hitchcock, 57-8

If there's a single word to describe Friday's Rice Raider football game against Hitchcock, it would be "domination".

Rice's high-powered attack completely dismantled the Bulldogs in every phase of the game en route to a 57-8 victory at Raider Stadium.

This was the Raider's opening home game because of the earlier Hallettsville forfeit back on Aug. 31.

The Rice win raises their record to 5-0 on the season and 1-0 in district play.

Although the Raiders were unable to record their fifth consecutive shut-out, it did take the Bulldogs running a fake punt on fourth and eight to tally their only score.

That only seemed to "rile up" the Rice boys as they posted a whopping 57 points on the board, with 36 coming before half-time.

Fullback Conrad Diggs, lauded by Coach Russell Roark as Gatorade Player of the Week, finished the evening with 190 yards rushing on 18

carries; averaging over 10 yards a pop. Diggs also netted four touchdowns on runs of 11, 36, 20 and 10 yards.

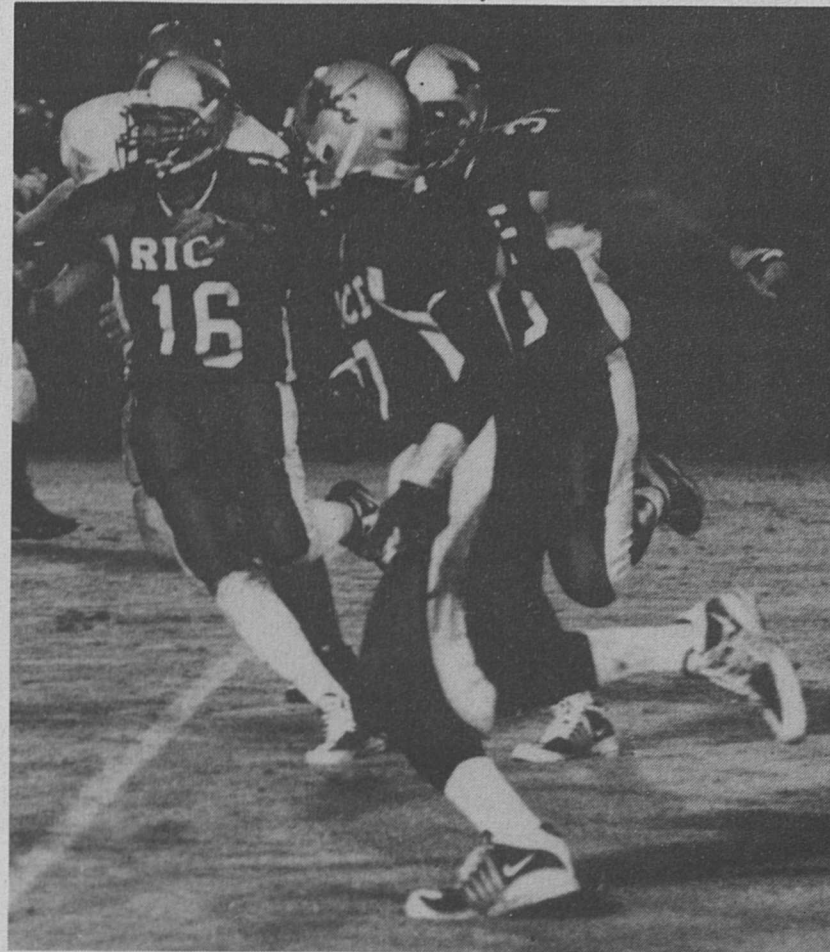
Diggs was led by a very strong showing from the offensive line. Norris Powell, Adrian Espinosa, Ronnie Vasquez, Garrett Cranek, Kevin Shimmeck and Nick Sharp were all given offensive player of the game honors for their blocking.

The Raider offensive running game churned out 233 yards rushing and the passing attack erupted for 111 yards, all in the first half!

Quarterback Patrick Milentz was four for eight passing for 111 yards and a touchdown. Milentz connected with senior splitend Adrian Middleton on a sparkling 73-yard touchdown with 4:10 left in the first quarter.

With the Middleton touchdown upping the score to 14-0 (after Jerry Cleveland's PAT run), the Raiders' defense got into the scoring action when Cleveland knifed through the Bulldog offensive line and caused a

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Rice senior free safety Jason Barrow returns an interception to the Bulldog 10 yard line late in the third quarter of last Friday's blowout of Hitchcock. Running interference for Barrow are #16, Michael Cooper, and #35, Tyreance Dabney. One play later, Rice running back Conrad Diggs took it over the goal line to make the score 8-49 in Rice's favor.

Headlight Photo

## Friends of Main Street, Headlight to salute military

In the wake of the tragic events of Sept. 11, our nation's military forces have been put on high alert.

Many local families have loved ones and/or friends serving our country in various capacities and the Friends of Main Street, along with The Eagle Lake Headlight, would like to profile one or more of these brave men and women each week.

Please send a small photograph,

along with the person's name, rank, military branch, location and/or an address for letters, to:

Friends of Main Street, 121 N. McCarty, Eagle Lake, TX 77434.

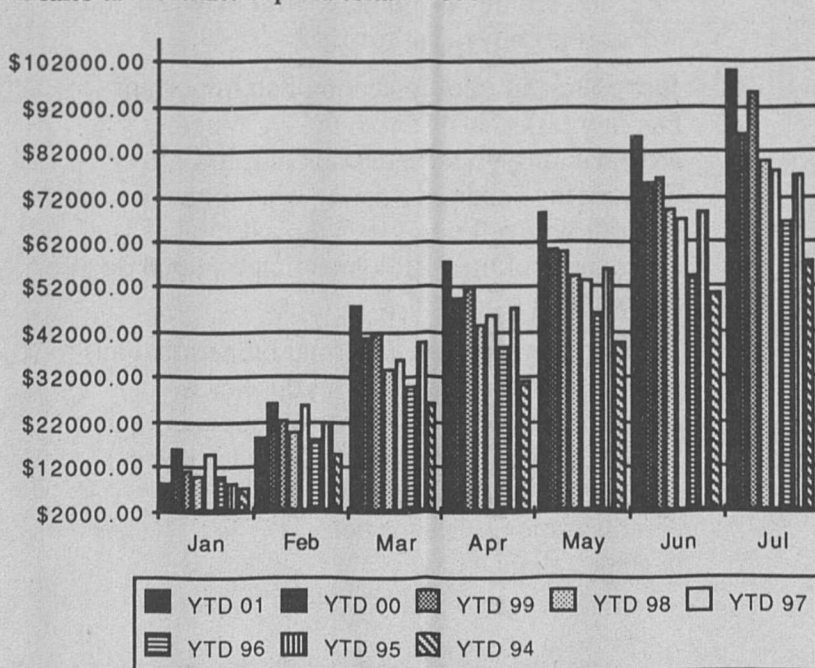
You may include the names of local family members.

After the profile has been published, it will be proudly displayed in downtown Eagle Lake.

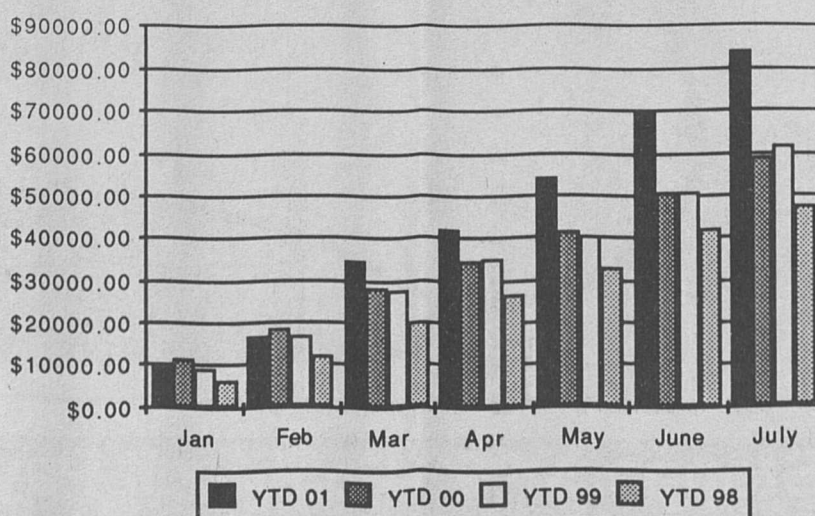
## City, Hospital District see increase in sales tax rebates

Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander recently sent 1,111 Texas cities and 118 counties \$221.2 million in sales tax revenue. Sept. sales tax

rebates are up 5.2% compared to Sept. 2000. Year-to-date, payments to cities and counties are up 5.4% compared to 2000.



The year-to-date sales tax rebate totals for the City of Eagle Lake (above) and Rice Hospital District (below) are charted according to the month the tax was collected, not the month the rebate was received.



The City of Eagle Lake received a rebate of \$14,775.69, up 37.24% from the \$10,765.72 received last Sept.

The sales tax rebates Comptroller Rylander delivered included \$203.6 million to Texas cities, up 4.9% compared to Sept. 2000. Texas counties received Sept. rebates of \$17.6 million, up 8.9% compared to a year ago.

In addition to city and county sales tax rebates, \$75.4 million went to Texas' six metropolitan transit authorities and two city transit systems; and \$7.4 million was paid to 58 special purpose districts.

One of those special purpose districts, Rice Hospital District, received \$13,665.08, 61.90% higher than last Sept.

Sept sales tax rebates represent sales taxes collected in July and re-

ported to the Comptroller in Aug.

For details sales tax payments to individual cities, counties, transit systems and special purpose districts, locate the Monthly Sales and Use Tax Allocation Comparison Summary Report on the Comptroller's web site at <www.window.state.tx.us/taxinfo/allocsum/compsum.html>

Other cities in the Eagle Lake area and the amount of their sales tax rebate this month are:

Columbus, \$58,202.50, up 3.89%; Weimar, \$19,270.71, up 67.30%; Sealy, \$69,680.44, down 9.49%; Bellville, \$34,415.17, +8.68%; El Campo, \$163,541.80, up 9.86%; and Wharton, \$92,156.03, +11.24%.

Year-to-date for the above cities and the change from last year are: (See Rebates, Page 8)

## Christian Growth Services scheduled

"Services of Christian Growth" will be held at the United Methodist Church (UMC) in Eagle Lake and Lehrer Memorial Methodist Church in Garwood.

Rev. John Elford, pastor of John Wesley UMC in Victoria, will lead the services according to the following schedule:

Garwood: 9 a.m. Sunday morning, Oct. 7, and 7 p.m. Sunday evening, Oct. 7;

UMC in Eagle Lake: 10:45 a.m. Sunday morning, Oct. 7, and 7 p.m. Monday evening, Oct. 8.

A covered dish luncheon will be served in Eagle Lake following the morning worship service.

Special music and a nursery will be provided.

Come and bring your friends to this Reaching Out Program of Christian Growth.



Rev. John Elford