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available for information or to assist with an application for children eligible for Head Start.

Zimmerscheidt School to hold open house

The Zimmerscheidt School Open House will be held Sunday, Oct. 28, at 3 p.m. Music and a program will be presented. Chicken stew will be served at 5 p.m. Donations are being accepted for the meal and dessert. Bricks are also being sold for courthouse walk to fund school maintenance for \$50. For more details, call Crockett Leyendecker at 979-732-6693; Randa Simmons at 732-6948; or Otto Loessin at 732-3682.

Halloween Carnival is Oct. 28

The Ministerial Alliance of Eagle Lake is preparing the Second Annual Halloween Carnival hosted by Christ Episcopal Church (CEC) in the rectory backyard at 304 E. Stockbridge from 6 to 8 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 28. All parents are encouraged to bring their little ghouls, goblins and saints for an evening of food, drinks, fun and games... all for a minimal fee like last year. There will be a costume contest at 7 p.m. If there are any questions or you want to help, call your pastor or Fr. Steve Whitfield, pastor of CEC, at 234-3437. In case of bad weather the Carnival will be moved to Didner Hall, 201 Craine Avenue.

Art, Soul Festival at FBC is Nov. 4

Sunday afternoon, Nov. 4, First Baptist Church (FBC) will host *Art & Soul: A Celebration of the Creative Arts and the Christian Faith*. Dr. Bill Hendricks, retired theology professor and expert on the connection between art and faith, will speak in the sanctuary at 4 p.m. Following that session, everyone in attendance will be invited to move into the fellowship hall to view displayed work of many talented artists who live in our community. Refreshments will be served. A wide spectrum of art will be represented: painting, ceramics, sculpture, music and quilts, just to name a few. If you would like to display some of your work, call Sandra Benge, 234-2795; Margo Harrison, 234-5054; or the church office, 234-2571.

Study Club needs auction donations

The Eagle Lake Study Club is gearing up for the Annual Study Club Auction scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 27. The Club asks that you get your donations to them as soon as possible. For more information, contact Study Club President Fair Wells, Betty Wilcox or any committee member. Or, you may take your donations to the library. Thank you in advance for your support.

4-H begins centennial celebration this week

In 2002, the 4-H will celebrate its Centennial as America's premier youth development organization.

Sharon Grahmann, Colorado County 4-H Program Assistant, said the celebration will begin with National 4-H Week, Oct. 7-13, 2001, and continue through National 4-H Week, June 6, 2002.

After a century of inclusion and collaborations, 4-H spans the nation from family farms to urban environments. 4-H brings together youth and adults to build a nation of stronger

communities.

More than one million Texas youth, ages nine or in the third grade to 19, are involved in 4-H programs from aerospace to zoology, Grahmann said.

4-H members are still rooted in the historic base of rural America but, to the surprise of many, more than 35% of today's youth live in our major urban centers and suburbs.

In Colorado County, there are over 350 youths and 80 adult leaders involved in 4-H.

4-H in Texas is based at our land-



Colorado County Judge Al Jamison signed a proclamation in observance of Mental Illness Awareness Week, Oct. 7-13. On hand for the signing were, from left, County Commissioner Darrell Gertson, Texana representative Willie Welch, Commissioner Herbie Helmscamp, Jamison and County Commissioner Doug Wessel. *Headlight Photo by Carol Nelson*

One in seven Texans will suffer mental illness

Oct. 7-13 is being recognized nationwide as Mental Illness Awareness Week.

Mental illness is a significant problem in Texas. In 2000, there were approximately 3 million Texans, nearly one in seven people, with some form of mental illness.

Some facts about mental illness:
•Over 670,000 (or about one in 30) Texans suffer from depression, bipo-

lar disorders and other depressive disorders.

•Over 666,000 Texas children, from birth through age 17, can be identified as having an emotional disturbance.

•The personal and social costs of mental illness are similar to those of heart disease and cancer. The direct costs of mental illness in Texas in both the private and public sector are estimated to be nearly \$4.9 billion a year.

•Nearly 1/4 of the older adults in Texas who appear to experience dementia actually suffer from mental illness that can be effectively treated. Local help is available.

Texana Mental Health Mental Retardation Center (formerly Rice-land Mental Health Authority) has been serving this area since 1988. Texana has two local clinics: 4910 Airport Avenue in Rosenberg and 10435 Greenbough in Stafford.

Texana MHMR is staffed with mental health professionals to assist persons of all ages suffering with depression, bipolar disorders and other depressive disorders.

To obtain more information or to schedule an appointment, call 1-800-633-5686.

grant university, Texas A&M. This long-standing relationship brings academic excellence to youth development as strategies and curriculum are created for the coming century.

The unique capacity of 4-H to embrace both youth development experts and a million youth in Texas makes possible the promise of youth who are confident, capable and caring citizens.

4-H has a strong commitment to community roots and to strengthening young people's skills and experiences in teamwork, leadership and citizenship.

It provides a positive environment, a relationship with caring adults and exciting educational experiences for today's youth.

For more information, call or visit the Colorado County Extension Office, 316 Spring St., Columbus, 979-732-2530.

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House and Dinner Sept. 18. The fundraiser was a success and many parents came to meet their children's teachers. He also said his campus is updating their monthly calendar daily, which can be found on Rice's website.

Dr. Cynthia Saha of the Boot Camp put her enrollment at 98 students. The number is low at this time due to state budgeting. She said her new teachers were doing well and are getting some good experience. She thanked the Board for welcoming the new teachers to the district.

In order of new business, the Board unanimously voted to maintain the current tax rate of \$1.47856/\$100 valuation.

The budget, which was originally approved Aug. 31, was reviewed and amendments were made.

The Board discussed the Facility Use Policy in regard to outside groups requesting the use of the district's buildings for personal functions. After much discussion, no action was taken.

All inquiries are to be made to the administration office.

The District Electronic Communications System Policy was reviewed by Board members. All employees will sign the Acceptable Use Policy stating they understand the regulations of the use of the internet while on school computers.

Board members voted in favor of Tom Kallina representing the District on the Colorado County Central Appraisal District Board. He has served in this capacity before.

Dr. Richard Gott recommended the Board approve the resignation of Becky Gonzales.

He also supported the approval of the following list of substitute teachers: Arie Frazier, Connie Keith, Sharon Hughes and Karen Tristano.

The next Board meeting was changed from Oct. 8 to Oct. 15 at 7:30 p.m. at the administration building. The change is due to the Columbus Day holiday.



Two first divisions

Saturday, Sept. 29, Rice High School Raider Band feature twirlers Lana Engstrom and Amanda Henry attended U.I.L. solo contest at Sweeny High School, where they both earned a first division. They will attend state competition in San Marcos in May. Come see these two very talented girls any Friday night during football season. *Photo Courtesy of Margaret Henry*

SHERIDAN LIBRARY NEWS

We've done it! We have over a 100 patrons who joined the Sheridan Friends of the Library this year.

This has broken all records in seven years. Last year, the Friends totaled 83 members. What a gesture of support that comes from the community!

This is the final listing of Friends for 2001: Charles & Mary DeShazo, Alton & Sybil Balusek, Harry & Grace Brisco, Bill & Gail O'Neill, El-

don & Joyce Ohm, Martha Polach, Willard & Irene Hagendorf, C.E. & Leona Flippin, Bill & Lillian Gohlke, Jenavee Peterson, Duane, Kathy & Kelley Ricks, Irma Kelley, Gordon & Beverly Mercer, Mary Lou Criswell, A.T. Blanchard, McDowell & LaVerne Criswell, Larry, Darnell, Andrew, Tiffany & Kimberly Varley, Fred & Sharon Grahmann, Eddie Ray & Lois Taylor, Dorothy Warthan, Evelyn Holt, Rosalie Brocker, Jean &

Zelda Walker, Franklin & Tricia Walker, Jeanette Nance, Vernita Dops-lauf, Lavo & Ruth Brisco;

Also, W.O., Regena and Lenore Williamson, Wayne & Natalie Dupre, Dean & Betty Varley, Bessie Dorn-hauer, Reggie & Barbara Brisco, Bob & Tootsie Slays, Pat & Louise Brandenburg, Warren, Kathy, Stephanie and Brent Botard, Jason & Tami Pau-sewang, Ed & Kay Parham, Alan, Debbie, Zak & Tyler Kloss, Dorothy Balut, Cathy Siragusa, Eugene, JoNell, Kaci & Clifton Kazmir, Ora Vanek, Herman & Margaret Feistel, Dollie Botard, Donald, Patsy and Karl Alex, Elaine & Michael Clayton Son-nag, Wanda Zbranek, Jim & Lucy Ross, Patsy Fuller, Jordyn & Kayliegh Pausewang, Shirley Moore, Joe & Melba Castillo, J.C. "Hootie" & Maida Clark, Audrey Dupre and Monica Broesche.

The library received nine memorials during the month of Sept.:

In memory of Nora Moore: McDowell & LaVerne Criswell; in memory of Laura Bordovsky: Willard & Irene Hagendorf; in memory of Jim Kirk: Harry & Grace Brisco; in memory of Evelyn Bean: Eldon & Joyce Ohm, Mr. & Mrs. Joe Max Hon-ish, Isam & Helen Brisco; in memory of Janelle Renfro: Larry & Darnell Varley; in memory of Leo Solomon: Isam & Helen Brisco; in memory of Josephine Meisner: Bill & Lillian Gohlke.

The library received book donations from Shirley Moore and Alice McCuiston. Audio tape donations were from Wayne & Natalie Dupre.

Community birthday calendar orders will be coming to a close in Oct. Calendars are \$5 each with 10 birthday listings.

You may call the library at 234-5154 to order a calendar. We ask that all orders be paid in advance.

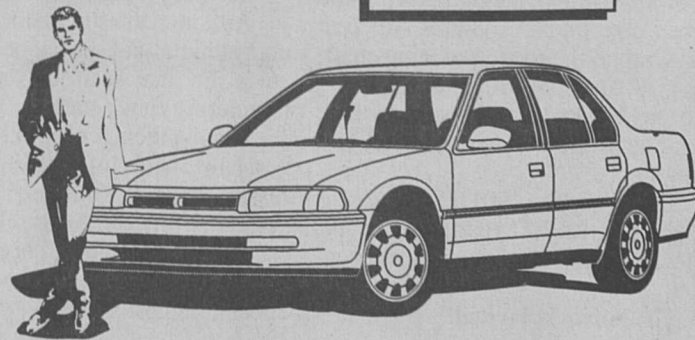
The calendars will be delivered the last week in Dec.

Keeping an Eye on Texas

Lemon Law report

According to the 2000 Lemon Law report, 13 of the best-selling vehicles in Texas have the best complaint index rating. From this group, the top five vehicles with the fewest number of complaints are as follows:

- Toyota Camry
- Ford Focus
- Honda Accord
- Ford F-150 Pickup
- Chevrolet Tahoe



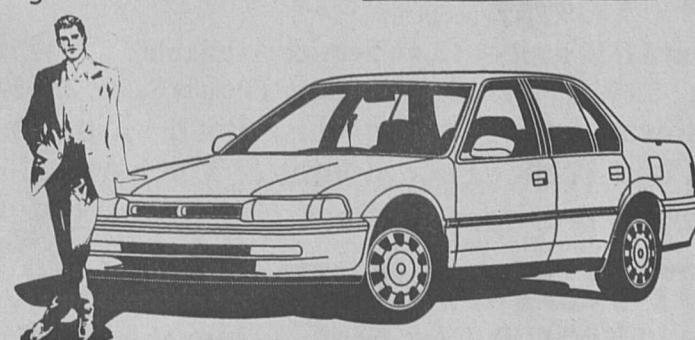
SOURCES: Carole Keeton Rylander, Texas Comptroller (www.window.state.tx.us) and the Texas Department of Transportation.

Observando a Texas

Informe sobre la Ley Lemon

De acuerdo al Informe sobre la Ley Lemon del año 2000, 13 de los vehículos que más se venden en Texas tienen el mejor índice de clasificación por quejas. Dentro de este grupo, los cinco vehículos que tienen el menor número de quejas son los siguientes:

- Toyota Camry
- Ford Focus
- Honda Accord
- Camioneta Ford F-150
- Chevrolet Tahoe



ORIGENES: Carole Keeton Rylander, Contralora de Texas (www.window.state.tx.us) y el Departamento de Transporte de Texas.

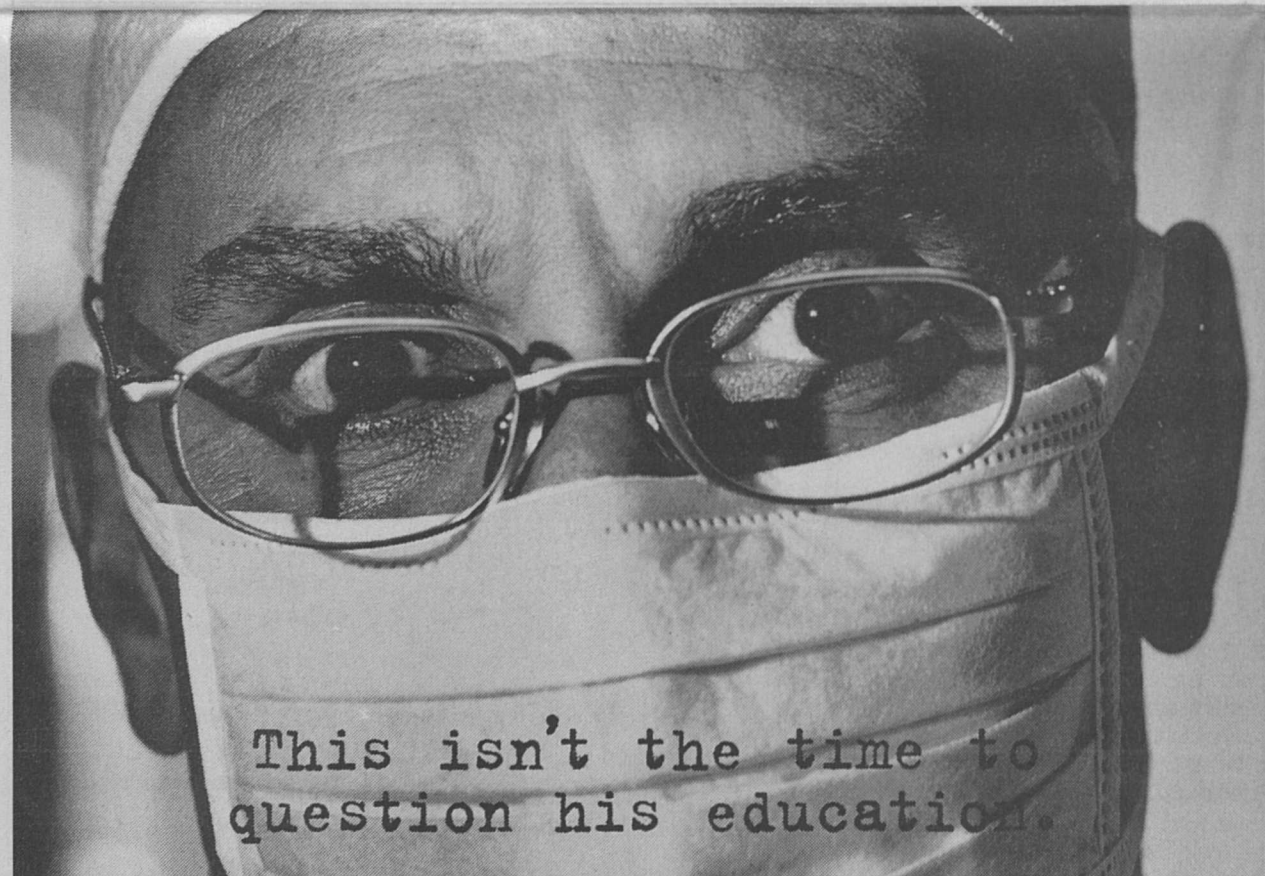


Auction item

Cindy Riehs, Cindy's Spirits owner, has donated an Imperial Crystal Centerpiece made of 24% crystal.

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"It is the greatest of all mistakes to do nothing because you can do only a little. Do what you can." — Sydney Smith
"Children have never been very good at listening to their elders but they have never failed to imitate them." — James Baldwin
"A mother is not a person to lean on, but a person to make leaning unnecessary." — Dorothy Canfield Fisher
"The men who try to do something and fail are infinitely better than those who try to do nothing and succeed." — Lloyd Jones



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