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## To THE EDITOR &amp; YOU

## Be aware of past to win the war

On Friday night, I witnessed a battle between two contestants of near equal strengths.

The Raiders fought long and hard. They have a lot to be proud of.

I admired the coaching staff's intellectual fortitude to go for the victory as any true warrior would.

The road to the state finals consists

of many battles, each one important, but it is also important that the Raiders realize that in losing one battle, they have not lost anything and must still shore up and prepare to win the WAR.

Raiders, take some time and ponder the game, just like all true warriors should; then press on and fight the next battle with new strength and

awareness of past mistakes so that you may become victorious in the final battle and therefore win the war.

The whole community stands in support of the coaching staff and the Raider team.

Sincerely,  
Ray Cantu

## Project to benefit Colorado County students

Depending upon the newspaper you read, you may or may now know me. My name is Hub Weller and I am a Boy Scout in Troop 312 of Columbus; however, I live in Eagle Lake.

When the time came for me to pick an Eagle project, I was faced with a dilemma. Scouting in one town but living and going to school in another caused several problems for me. I wanted to do a project that would benefit my community but one that would also involve my scout troop.

Luckily, an idea was given to me that would do both. My project is to create a historical laboratory for the students of Colorado County.

When people hear of the word laboratory, they think of beakers and test tubes. This is a lab of a different sort. It is a lab where hands-on learning of our nation's history takes place.

The Historic Alleyton Log Cabin

in Columbus will be both the location and subject of this laboratory.

This lab will be a place where the students of Colorado County can see and feel what it was like during the turn of the 19th Century; they will be able to learn what it takes to care for and keep up a frontier home.

In this lab, students will learn the specific process that was used on almost a yearly basis by pioneers in the southwest to keep their cabins cozy in the winter and breezy in the summer, this process is known as chinking. It is the process of insulating a cabin by filling in the cracks between the logs. The beauty of this lab is not only that it provides a learning experience but that it also has a side effect.

This side effect is that the lab will provide regular restoration of the Alley Log Cabin. This continuing restoration is a service for the Columbus

Historic Preservation Trust (CHPT).

Another great thing about this project is that it is not limited to scouts. We need teachers and any one else who might be interested in helping. If you teach history or another social science at any grade level and would like to partake in the lab or if you are just curious, please call Hub Weller at 979-234-5234 or contact the CHPT.

Before I finish, I would like to thank the people of the CHPT especially Laura Rau and Jim Arnold for providing their time and support. I would also like to thank Frank Schobel for donating his time, tools and trade to my project. Without his expertise and tools, my project could not have taken off.

Lastly, I would like to thank all the scouts who gave their time for the trial run of the lab.

Hub Weller

## Alpha Delta Phi, Week 2

Dear Editor,

In response to the horrific events of Sept. 11, Alpha Delta Phi decided that as a community service society, we needed and wanted to offer some leadership to our community by way of what we have learned in the past two months, and then what we can do and lead others in doing.

Hopefully, by turning these tragic events into an opportunity to be better people and a better community, we can offer a loving, positive example in the face of hatred and evil.

Each week, we thought we would contribute some thoughts and some ideas for action.

This is Week 2:

What have we learned since Sept.

11...

That the rest of the world does not feel about America the way the terrorists do—we have a lot of support out there.

We have found our patriotism all over again.

We have learned how many "every day" heroes there are in the world, and we have learned to be grateful for them.

What we can do to be worthy of the freedom we are fortunate enough to enjoy...

Think and talk about the true meaning of our pledge of allegiance, of our patriotic songs. Promote peace and tolerance in our work places, classrooms and businesses.

As an example, Alpha Delta Phi is delighted that a person of the Muslim faith will be addressing its next meeting Monday, Nov. 19, to educate and enlighten us, further promoting understanding and friendship.

Sincerely,  
Deborah Reed on behalf of Alpha Delta Phi

## Our Goal

"Learning to Love Ourselves is perhaps the greatest hurdle we face. The Evolution Center provides us with valuable tools to overcome that hurdle. Once we grow to the point where we are able to define ourselves

more from a spiritual perspective (including the awareness of our individual mission and purpose) and less from a worldly perspective, I know we will all be the better for it. We are all born into greatness, by the Grace of God.

My mind, body and soul are God's gift to me. What I do with them is my gift to God."

Troy Thomas  
The Evolution Center

## UMC says thanks

Members of the United Methodist Church (UMC) would like to thank all the thoughtful and giving people of this community who helped during our Rummage and Bake Sale benefiting Rev. Paul Lynn.

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## Cook working on U.S. Farm Bill

A local state official is now a leading voice influencing the U. S. Farm Bill. State Rep. Robby Cook of Eagle Lake is helping lead the voice of thousands of state officials on local and state needs in the Farm Bill.

"Rep. Cook joined leading national agricultural legislators and executive branch agricultural commissioners in forming the top priorities of the 50 states on the Farm Bill," said

Dan Sprague, Executive Director of the Council of State Governments (CSG).

Cook said, "States want to see open markets and free trade, along with an effective safety net for farmers. We need to work for conservation programs tied to rural development instead of taking acres out of production."

"Each of the priorities hit home with the people of Texas since we face these issues each day," Cook emphasized.

This effort to give states a coordinated, collective voice was guided by CSG, the nation's only group serving all members of every branch of each state and territorial government.

For the past two years, CSG held meetings in every region of the country, building to the Nov. 6 meeting in Washington, D.C., where Cook worked with other state leaders to agree on the states' collective national priorities.

"Never before have the states gathered to speak as one voice on this critical issue," said Sprague.

"Yet, it is an issue vital to all Americans, and the results of the federal Farm Bill are really felt at the local level. This effort was critical and the leadership of Cook at the national level was invaluable."

This national leadership group and Rep. Cook will continue an active dialogue with Congress, staying abreast of changes and needs on the U.S. Farm Bill.

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