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Let's Look Back...

24 & 48 YEARS AGO

July 13, 1978

Congratulations to Mrs. Ed Lee (Ernestine) Schneider of the Garwood community for winning first place in the Kolache-Klobase Festival in East Bernard...

Work is progressing nicely on the construction of a new bridge spanning the Colorado River just north of Garwood and rerouting FM 950 to its intersection at Hwy. 71...

The harvest of the 1978 rice crop got underway on July 6 when the first LaBelle rice was combined by Leo Korenek & Sons and Bunge Cattle Co. in the Nada area...

Mr. & Mrs. J.H. McCauley of Sheridan announced the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Jimmi Carol, to Barney John Kasper, son of Mr. & Mrs. Johnnie Kasper Jr. of Weimar. Marriage vows will be exchanged on Aug. 26 at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Weimar...

Janice Kallina and Carmen Stallman of Garwood earned "Distinguished Student" ranking at Texas A&M University...

Mrs. John V. Kaluza of East Bernard announced the engagement and approaching marriage of her daughter, Mona Marie, to Barry Joseph Hagendorf, son of Mr. & Mrs. Willard Hagendorf of Sheridan. The wedding will take place July 22 at the Holy Cross Catholic Church in East Bernard...

Miss Diane Rolf and Griff Thomas were the honorees of a Bar Shower on June 28 in the home of Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Craig, and Mr. & Mrs. Michael Cooper co-hosted the delightful social. Diane and Griff will be married July 15 at Holy Cross Catholic Church in Wharton...

The July 4th weekend was marred by the untimely death of Claude Johnson. He was struck by lightning while he was gathering the last few bales of hay in a hayfield just west of Sheridan on June 30. Funeral services were held July 2...

Mrs. Maria G. Gonzales, 98, passed away in the Eagle Lake Community Hospital July 7. Funeral services were held July 8 from Mill-Bauer Funeral Home...

Mary Young and Bruno Shimek attended the Texas Farm Bureau Citizenship Seminar in Waco. Both are students at Rice High School...

Miss Kathy Frazier is among the entries in the Miss Frolic contest on July 20. She is the daughter of Briga-

dier Mahalic & Mrs. Joe N. Frazar Jr. of Eagle Lake...

Tom Haley of Kerrville, a former resident here, was a visitor in the community Thursday renewing acquaintances with friends.

July 22, 1954

First National Bank invites the public to a celebration of its 50th year open house, says W.E. Lenhart, president...

A Chamber of Commerce membership barbecue at the golf course will be held with C.H. (Hub) Matthews, original president of the chamber, the speaker...

Uzzell and Cooper of Eagle Lake, Frels and Kubesch of Garwood, Sonntag, Botard and Golasinski of Sheridan named to CVLL All-Stars... Mahalic Bros. had ginned over 50 bales by press time July 21...

City Council approved the \$47,349 budget proposed by City Manager P.V. Werner...

Kenneth Mahalic, James Bell and advisor L.J. Rosprim are attending the state FFA meet...

Republicans are to hold first primary election in this county in 20 years...

A heavy vote is expected in the Democratic election, spiced by the race between Bill Rutta and Gus. F. Steger for county judge...

Services were held for James A. Moss, 78, in Rock Island...

Another old landmark, the Nail Apartment House across from Hotel Eagle near the city hall, is being torn down...

Dr. J.R. Laughlin announced that plans are being made to improve the local golf course...

OES held a dinner honoring Masons, with Mrs. M.M. Jones, worthy Matron, presiding...

W.R. Grahams are home from a trip to Mississippi...

Mrs. Joe Vestal is recovering from an illness which at first was thought to be polio...

Mrs. Jacob Zoeller, Mrs. George Causey and children left for vacation in Colorado...

First Maxine Crim Girl Scout Day Camp led by Mrs. Bernard Hurley at Skull Creek Ranch is a big success...

Richard Clipson Jr. celebrated his ninth birthday...

Plans were made for a big NCRA rodeo at Swift Stapleton's arena at (See 24 & 48, Page 3)

Budget deficit will be focus of lawmakers

The \$5 billion state budget deficit will be the primary focus for Texas lawmakers when the Legislature convenes in Jan., but far from the only one.

Another issue will be the review of more than a score of state agencies currently under scrutiny by the Sunset Advisory Commission. Sunset is the regular assessment by the Legislature of the continuing need for a state agency to exist.

Some of the higher-profile agencies to be reviewed in 2003 are the Texas Ethics Commission, the Lottery Commission, the Department of Health, the Department of Human Services and the Department of Economic Development.

Among the agencies you may not



State Capitol Highlights

By Mike Cox

Texas Press Association

have heard of unless you're involved in their limited areas of focus are the Funeral Service Commission, the Board of Professional Land Surveying and the State Board of Plumbing Examiners.

Classrooms filling

It may still be the Dog Days of August, but for more than 4 million Texas children, it's back to school time.

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they will take it for the title; if not, there will be a small fee.

Call City Hall at 234-2640 and we will try to help solve these kinds of problems.

I ask that everyone help protect the health of the community and your property by cleaning up and keeping it clean.

Ron Holland
Eagle Lake City Manager

Tax

ceived \$13,034.32, down 19.59% from the \$16,211.29 received last Aug.

Texas' six metropolitan transit authorities and two city transit departments received \$89.9 million in sales tax revenue, down 5.9% compared to a year ago. Transit sales tax collections are down 3.5% so far this year.

Aug. sales tax rebates include local sales taxes collected in June and reported to the Comptroller in July. The state's share of sales tax collected during this period was \$1.2 billion, down 0.6% compared to a year ago.

For details on 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, \$82,757.77, down 7.17%; Weimar, \$23,068.73, down 7.30%; Sealy, \$84,631.90, +11.63%; Bellville, \$44,091.70, -24.27%; El Campo, \$178,486.40, -12.53%; and Wharton, \$114,565.15, -5.61%.

Year-to-date for the above cities and the change from last year are: Columbus, \$547,099.13, -1.94 %; Weimar, \$149,732.18, +9.52%; Sealy, \$641,331.99, -7.15 %; Bellville, \$240,726.19, down 28.89%; El Campo, \$1,367,131.51, -3.31 %; and Wharton, \$780,216.74, -6.04%.

On the county level, Colorado County received \$60,068.31, down 16.32%. Austin County received \$76,961.56, down 7.83%. Wharton

Other high-lites...

•Despite the stock market, the Comptroller's office is predicting a 2.1% growth in Texas' gross product numbers for this year. For 2003, the estimate is a growth of 4.6%, but that is largely fueled by low interest and increased federal spending brought about following the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. The full economic forecast can be viewed at www.window.state.tx.us.

•The flooding in July damaged 18 state parks from Abilene to Goliad, according to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. The cleanup cost is expected to exceed \$7 million.

•Travel counselors at TxDOT's travel information centers get to meet a lot of interesting people in answering their questions about the Lone Star State.

Sometimes they provide more than information. When a counselor at the Gainesville center smelled smoke recently, she was about to politely remind the man that smoking was not allowed in the facility-until she saw that his hair was on fire.

The visitor knew the rules and had extinguished his cigar and placed it behind his ear. Unfortunately, the cigar still had a little life in it.

Alerted to the blaze, the man calmly put it out.

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County received \$126,682.46, down 17.00%

Year-to-date figures for these counties are: Colorado, \$441,313.50, down 6.00%; Austin, \$547,434.16, +3.93 %; Wharton, \$965,036.61, -7.27 %.

The Comptroller's next sales tax allocation will be delivered Friday, Sept. 13.

LIBRARY LINES

By Patty Holloway

I have two more books I want to share with you regarding young children and not so young children.

All parents want their children to have good manners but in today's times may feel overwhelmed just dealing with everyday discipline and not realize that courtesy is a very necessary skill and an essential part of a child's education.

Elbows Off the Table, Napkin in the Lap, No Video Games During Dinner by Carol McD. Wallace is a clear, contemporary guide to what, when and how to teach children good manners.

Miss Manners' Guide to Rearing Perfect Children by Judith Martin is a hilarious and very correct course in the proper training of children and their parents. You will thoroughly enjoy both of these books while they guide you in raising cool and courteous kids.

Betty Wegenhoft has given us another interesting review. She suggests that before reading some of the long books on Theodore Roosevelt to read the TR book by noted novelist and historian Louis Achinclass (149 pages). The author's portrait of Teddy Roosevelt is concise, but thorough. One chapter is devoted to TR's presidential correspondence and letters. This book is fine reading for the high school student.

The Wintermann Library gratefully acknowledges the following memorial: in memory of Daisy Aull: James & Suzanne O'Dowd, Burton and Robert Ison, Evelyn J. Valenzons, Ann Terrell.

New museum accessions

Prairie Edge Museum is one of Eagle Lake's super attractions. It attracts students, local residents and tourists, as well as collectibles.

Saving for posterity items relating to the natural and cultural history of Eagle Lake is a major mission.

Interesting accessions of late include a heavy bound volume entitled "Report of the Secretary of Agriculture for 1892". Some readers may know later editions in this series as "Yearbook of Agriculture".

This particular volume, presented by Leslie Matthews Carey as a gift from the Matthews Family, is of special interest.

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