

MORE LETTERS

Kuykendall says 'Thanks'

To the citizens of Eagle Lake: Thank you for being there for me and my family during the loss of our home to a fire. Many thanks to the Eagle Lake Volunteer Fire Department; and special thanks to Rev. & Mrs. Obie

Rhodes, Rev. & Mrs. Dave Curry and White Cloud Baptist Church; and to Darrell Stanick. May God bless each and every one of you.

Bee Kuykendall & Family

Still haven't gotten answers

Those of us who have been reading the articles about the GCD still have not gotten answers to some very important questions that have surfaced in regards to the GCD. Questions about the costs for instance:

How much are we going to pay for permits and registering our wells with the district?

What are the salaries for the board members and employees going to be?

Why are the agricultural users set to pay \$1 per acre for production fees (if they are imposed) and the property owners paying \$10?

Maybe we should ask our state representative that question!!

And why did the GCD decide to

impose property taxes and not set production fees?

Can the GCD assure us that the tax rate will be 2.5¢ and not climb to the 50¢ allowed in Chapter 36?

Folks it seems to me that there are too many unanswered questions about the GCD. In a direct quote in the Austin Business Journal it states, "By giving ground water districts authority to regulate groundwater, they can limit pumping." "Once you start limiting pumping, you have a defined resource." Then developers... start jockeying. "There's your market."

I personally am more afraid of what will happen if the district is passed than I am of being without their so called protection. According to Chapter 36 one thing is for sure we WILL lose control of one of our most precious resources, our water.

Sincerely,
Irene Wavra
New Ulm

Bible Verse of the Week

"Anyone who says he is a Christian but doesn't control his tongue is just fooling himself, and his religion isn't worth much." — James 1:26.

Submitted by Neddy Phillips

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Baptist College at Marshall...

Little Miss Kathy Darlene Reuther was born Sept. 2nd to Mr. & Mrs. Alfred Reuther...

Miss Rita Frnka is to head the Garwood Student Council...

Cheerleaders named for Garwood High School included head cheerleader Miss Lillian Kubesch and Misses Rita Frnka, Patsy Tuttle and Lois Dornak...

Bradford Drive Inn opened a new grocery market department.

ELPD

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At 10:22 a.m., Officer Terrazas conducted a traffic stop at Waverly and Cat Spring Road. As a result of the stop, Louie Ruiz was arrested for no driver's license. He was transported to the PD and later released with a citation.

At 1:05 p.m., Officer Terrazas was dispatched to the 600 block of E. State St. in regards to children finding a pistol in a ditch. The pistol was seized pending identification of the owner.

At 1:28 p.m., Officer Terrazas was dispatched to the 600 block Maple St. in reference to a 911 hang up. Terrazas learned it was child who had dialed 911 and warned the parent about children playing with the 911 service.

At 1:44 p.m., Officer Terrazas was dispatched to the 500 block of W. Prairie St. in reference to criminal mischief. The case is under investigation.

At 3:18 p.m., Officer Terrazas was dispatched to the 100 block of Justin Way in reference to a 911 hang up on a payphone. Children in the area were warned about the consequences of playing with the 911 emergency service.

At 5:13 p.m., Officer Terrazas met with a complainant in the 600 block of East A in regards to parking problems.

At 10:48 p.m., Officer Alderete was dispatched to the 400 block of Boothe Dr. in regards to a person loitering and panhandling. As a result of the investigation, Cleveland Hurd was issued a criminal trespass warning at the business owner's request.

At 11:10 p.m., Sgt. Nelson and Officer Alderete were dispatched to an activated alarm in the 800 block of S. McCarty St. The building was found to be secure; a keyholder was notified.

Oct. 14, at 11:30 a.m., Officer Lasley met with a complainant in the 300 block of Stockbridge St. in regards to damaged property. The case is open for investigation.

At 11:50 a.m., Officer Lasley was dispatched to a verbal disturbance in the 400 block of E. Prairie St. The matter was resolved at the scene.

At 12:30 p.m., Officer Lasley met with a complainant in the 1100 block of E. Main St. in regards to Class C theft. Information was received.

At 10:50 p.m., Sgt. Alley and Officer Wiese were dispatched to suspicious activity in the 800 block of S. McCarty. All was found to be in order.

Oct. 15, at 2:15 a.m., Officer Wiese met with a complainant at the PD in regards to a vehicle/deer accident which took place outside the city limits. The complainant was given a blue form so the accident could be reported.

Leopold explores roles in U.S. Security

Margie Leopold a junior at Rice High School (RHS) and daughter of Frederick and Cathy Leopold of Nada, has recently been selected to participate in the National Youth Leadership Forum on Defense, Intelligence and Diplomacy (NYLF/DID) from Oct. 29 to Nov. 3 in Washington, D.C.

Leopold was nominated by RHS teacher, Melody Grigar.

Having demonstrated academic achievement and an interest in a career related to national security, Leopold will join approximately 400 outstanding high school students from across America at the Forum.

"After the terrorist attacks on the U.S. on Sept. 11, 2001, there may be no better time for students like Margie Leopold to learn how to lead and protect our country," said Donna Snyder, Executive Director of NYLF. "The NYLF/DID was designed to provide a first-hand glimpse of what a career in national security is all about. Students will take part in an array of seminars with current leaders key to U.S.

international relations, and will participate in a national security simulation exercise to pique their interests and test their problem-solving skills. This experience will help shape their plans for the future."

The NYLF/DID curriculum is based on actual world events, which allows its participants to learn from the examples set by previous generations of leaders, while encouraging them to develop a perspective and resolve unique to upcoming generations of leaders. Throughout the Forum, students will examine how the U.S. plans for peace and prepares for crisis. Students will meet with leaders from key agencies and institutions.

In the past, NYLF/DID has visited several government institutions and military installations, including the U.S. Department of State; the U.S. Marine Corps Combat Development Command at Quantico; the Defense Intelligence Agency; the U.S. Naval Academy; foreign embassies; and others.



NYLF is a nonpartisan, nonprofit educational organization that sponsors highly specialized career-oriented programs for outstanding high school students who demonstrate leadership potential. For additional information on NYLF programs, visit us on the Internet at www.nylf.org.

P.J.'s to stage Peter Pan

Calling all lost boys, pirates, mermaids and Indians... Peter Pan needs you!!

Peter Pan is the legendary story of the boy who never grew up. His loyalty, bravery and childish love of life make him a true hero of the stage.

Along with Peter is the bumbling and vengeful Captain Hook being hotly pursued by the crocodile who wants to finish him off after getting a taste of him.

Fortunately for Hook, the crocodile also swallowed an alarm clock, so we hear him coming with a tick-tock, tick-tock.

The other animal of the play is

Nanna, the Darling children's nursemaid.

Of course, Tinkerbell is the jealous fairy who does all she can to rid Never Land of Wendy, who is capturing Peter's affections (or so she thinks).

Actually all that Peter and the Lost Boys want is a mother to tell them stories, and Wendy provides that for them — at least for a time.

Of course, it all ends happily ever after, with Wendy and her brothers returning home to grow up and Peter returning to Tinkerbell and Never Land, never to grow up!

And, poor old Captain Hook — he continues to be chased for eternity by that crocodile who will never give up

until he gets the rest of him.

All children between the ages of five and 15 are welcome to participate. Auditions are only required for speaking roles and solo singing parts.

Rehearsals will be most Sundays from 3 to 5 p.m. (excluding the weekends of the Thanksgiving and Christmas breaks) until the end of Feb., when the play will be performed.

Auditions will be held Sunday, Oct. 27. For audition information and registration, please come Sunday, Oct. 20. Come register, play games and read the play Sunday, Oct. 20, from 3 to 5 p.m. at the First Baptist Church.

For more information, call Deborah Reed at 234-2601; Heidi Beasley, 234-3948; or Karen Tristan, 234-2121.

ELMS PTO

By Annie Dancy, Secretary

The Eagle Lake Middle School (ELMS) PTO held its monthly meeting Tuesday, Oct. 8, at 6:30 p.m. in the cafeteria.

PTO President Philip Soto introduced himself and Annie Dancy, secretary, to the members.

Ann Teltschik, faculty member at ELMS, led the pledge to the flags.

Veronica Curry, assistant principal, gave the school report.

She said school attendance and school environment was up and discipline problems were down. Oct. has been a very good month, she added.

Soto is still asking for volunteers to fill the vacant positions of vice-president and treasurer.

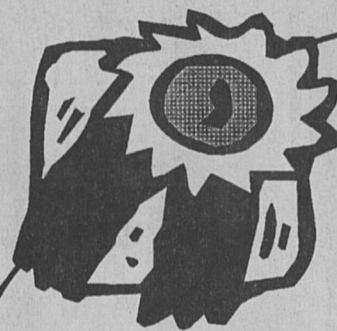
We urge parents and citizens to become members of the PTO.

"Today's children are our future. The children we help today will be there for us tomorrow."



Female mayors gather

At the invitation of Eagle Lake Mayor René Cooper-Scott, three female mayors from surrounding communities gathered for lunch and the exchange of ideas at Sportsman's Restaurant last week. Pictured above are, from left, Cooper-Scott and Mayors Carolyn Jones of Kendleton, Janet Moerbe of La Grange and Paula Frnka of Columbus. Headlight Photo



Calling all Students...
The Secretary of State and
this newspaper want
your opinion!

While you may not be old enough to vote, Secretary of State Gwyn Shea would like you to tell her why you think voting is important and what voting means to you as an American. Her job is to encourage voter participation in Texas. Secretary Shea asks that you join other Texas students in writing an essay titled: "What Voting Means to Americans" Winning entries will be displayed on the Secretary of State's website through the November 2002 election. Winners will also be announced in a news release and at a media event held at our State Capitol. Students who write the winning essays will be invited to appear at this Capitol media event.

Please think about this important topic and send Secretary Shea your essay. And, if you need help writing your essay, talk to a parent, guardian, or adult about the importance of voting!

Entry Divisions: Grades K-5(100-300 words),
6-8(400 words or less) and
9-12(500 words or less)

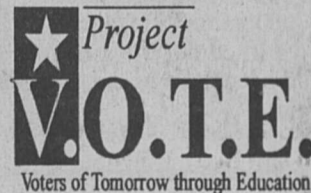
Due Date: Entries must be postmarked by October 21, 2002.

"What Voting Means to Americans"
Essay Contest

Student Name _____
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School District _____
Home Address _____
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Parent or Guardian Daytime Phone _____

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Attention: Essay Contest, P.O. Box 12060, Austin, Texas 78711

The Secretary of State's essay contest is generously supported by this newspaper.



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