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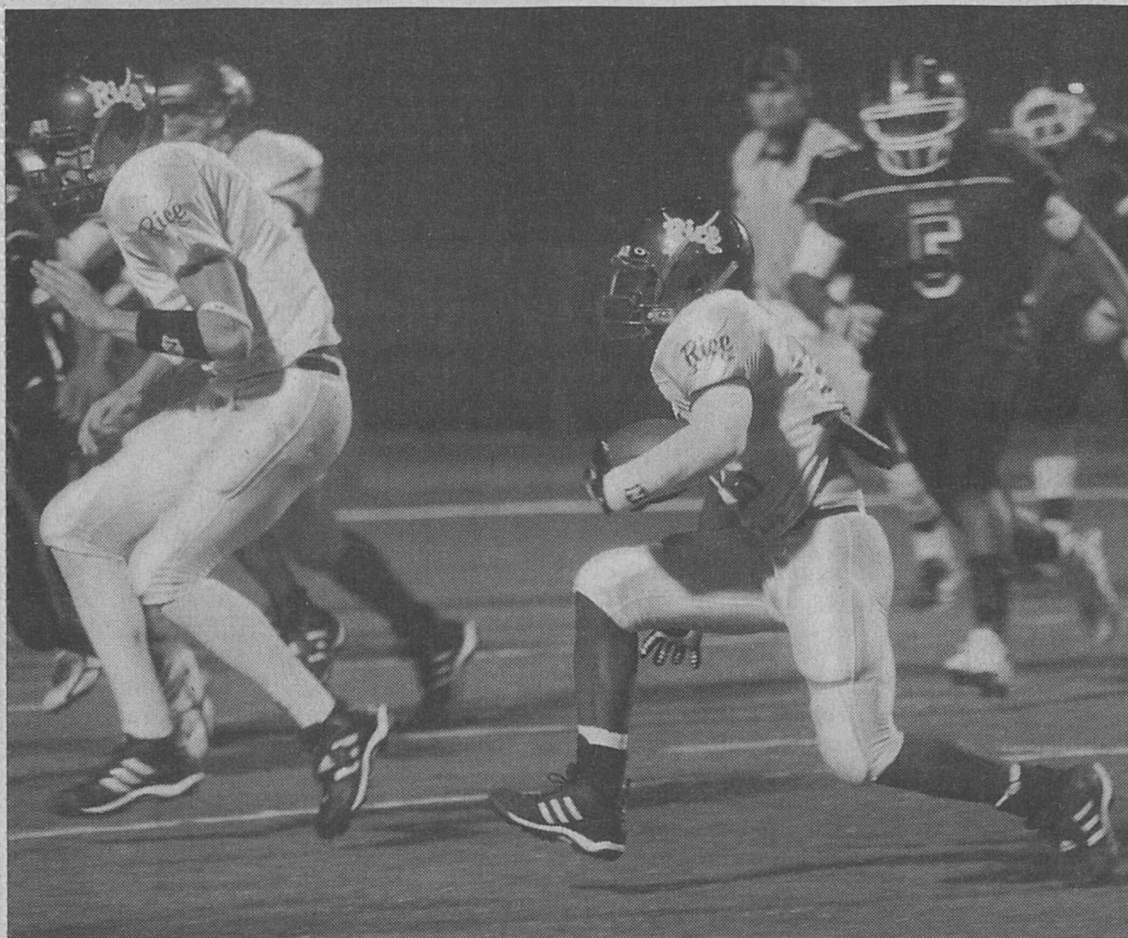
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Ziggy Foster carries the ball as Taylor Cook blocks for him during Friday's game.

Raiders Bow Out Of Playoffs

The Rice Raiders 2006 season came to an end when they lost a close game against the Hearne Eagles last Friday night in Katy in the regional semifinal round of the playoffs.

The game featured six lead changes as both teams battled to extend their seasons.

Hearne took the lead for good

26-21 with 5:51 left after a 16-yard touchdown pass.

"The game could have gone either way," said Rice coach Brad Dumont.

"We had our opportunities, but unfortunately Hearne made the big plays and we didn't," he added.

"I was extremely proud of the

fight we put up all night, to be down, then up, then down again, our kids fought to the end," he added.

The Raiders finished the season with a 9-3 record and have made the playoffs eight consecutive years.

"We were disappointed in the end, we had higher goals," Dumont said, "But our season was a great success as far as I'm concerned," he added.

"The seniors all gave a great effort throughout the season and they put a lot into our program. They will be greatly missed next year," he said.

The Raiders received the opening kickoff and started their drive at the 30-yard line.

Ziggy Foster carried the ball on the first five plays for the Raiders and ran the ball to the Hearne 27 on carries of 10, 14, 4, 11 and 4

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Public Meeting Slated November 30 National Historic Designation For Downtown Eagle Lake?

The Texas Historical Commission will be hold a public meeting Thursday, November 30 at 3 p.m. at City Hall for discussion of the nomination of downtown Eagle Lake to the National Register of Historical Places.

According to Rhonda Bridges, an active member of the Friends of Main Street, Eagle Lake was designated as a Main Street City in 2000.

She advised that this designation got the city involved with the Texas Historical Commission and that a request was made at that point for the city to be considered

by the Texas Historical Commission for application to the National Register of Historical Places.

The request was apparently shelved and nothing more was heard about it until the last few weeks, advised Bridges.

The city lost its Main Street status in the fall of 2005, but the Friends of Main Street is still a somewhat active organization she said.

Bridges advised that a graduate student, Stephanie McDougal, at the University of Texas has submitted the application to add downtown Eagle Lake to the

National Register of Historical Places as part of a project she is working on.

Bridges advised that if the area receives a National Register designation, property owners could be eligible for federal grant money for renovation of properties that they would not have been able to get without the designation.

If the application were approved, the addresses included in the National Register would be: 100-416 E. Main St., 101-108 W. Main St., 101-124 Commerce St., 101-201 N. McCarty Ave., 100-203

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Water District Talks Tabled Again

Colorado County commissioners, for the second time in two weeks, tabled Monday a proposal to revive a proposed groundwater conservation district.

The action came after the commissioners considered a resolution from the city of Weimar, passed on Nov. 21, asking commissioners to form a committee

to come up with a plan to create a groundwater district.

The resolution was almost identical to one passed earlier by the Eagle Lake City Council.

County Judge Al Jamison said he recommended tabling action "pending a resolution from the city of Columbus."

After the meeting, he noted that proposed groundwater districts had been defeated twice by voters.

He said he was reluctant to revive the issue "unless we get overwhelming requests, including three resolutions from the three cities."

Contacted after the meeting, Columbus Mayor Richard Heffley said the Columbus City Council had scheduled a special briefing at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 30, on the issue of groundwater districts.

He said there will be a presen-

tation by Steven P. Musick, an official with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality.

Heffley said there will also be a time for questions and answers.

"He will give the pros and the cons," Heffley said of the impact of a groundwater conservation district.

Heffley said he felt that there were two members of his council that were leaning in favor of a district.

He noted that he was opposed to creation of a district when it was proposed twice previously.

But he also said that some things have changed.

One objection previously, he said, was the right of a groundwater district to condemn property. He said he learned later that could be removed.

"I consider my mind open and receptive at this point," he said

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NEWSBRIEFS

First National Bank to host gift tree

First National Bank of Eagle Lake is hosting a gift tree for Texas Department of Health and Human Services - Children's Protective Services (CPS) for children in the Eagle Lake and surrounding area. The donated gifts will be distributed to children and families who are receiving services through CPS. If you have any questions call Rebecca Cole at 234-6926.

WIC to make presentation at library

The WIC Program in Eagle Lake will be doing presentations in the community on how to get your children to eat healthy. Many children are becoming overweight and developing diseases such as diabetes and high blood pressure. This presentation which will be held at Wintermannn Library, Thursday, Nov. 30 at 4:15 p.m. will provide parents with ideas to help children maintain a healthy weight which will help to prevent diseases. Free school supplies will be given to each adult in attendance. For more information call 979-732-6635.

United Way silent auction is Friday

The Eagle Lake United Way will host a silent auction December 1 starting at 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the lobby of the First National Bank. If you are interested in donating a silent auction item please call Brenda Besch at 234-5058, Lydia Contreras at 234-3239 or Laural Holden at 234-2572. Thanks for your support.

Senior Citizen's Dance is Friday

A Senior Citizen's Dance will be held Friday, Dec. 1 from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. at the Eagle Lake Community Center. Daniel and the Country Boys will provide the music. For more information call 979-234-2903.

Mt. Sinai fish fry is Saturday

Mount Sinai Evangelical Ministries (MSEM), 5588 Hwy. 90-A in Eagle Lake will hold a fish fry, Saturday, Dec. 2 starting at 11 a.m. Plates consisting of catfish, German potatoes, green beans, bread and cake are \$6 each. Pick-up at the church or call 234-2653 for delivery. For pre-orders call 234-3803, 234-3830 or 234-5650. They thank you in advance for your support.

Pilot Club extravaganza set

The Pilot Club of Columbus will host their 5th Annual Holiday Shopping Extravaganza (gifts, crafts and antiques) Saturday, Dec. 2 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Exhibition Hall of the Colorado County Fairgrounds. Admission is \$2 for ages 12 and older. To add to the festive mood of the day, there will be hourly door prizes drawings, a visit and photo with Santa, and performances by various local choral groups.

Sealy Dance Club to hold dance

The Sealy Dance Club will hold a public dance Saturday, Dec. 2 at the American Legion Hall in Sealy. Dance time is 7:30 to 11:30 p.m. Music will be provided by Texas Sound Czech. The theme for this dance is "Christmas", so put on your Santa hat. Free cake, coffee and door prizes. For more information call 979-885-3489.

CDA spaghetti dinner is Sunday

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas (CDA) Eagle Lake will hold a spaghetti dinner fundraiser Sunday, Dec. 3 at Didner Hall from 5 to 7 p.m. Plates are \$6 each (kids under 12, \$4 dine-in only). Dine in from 6 to 7 p.m. A quilt drawing will also be held. Call 234-5955 for more information. CCD children will present a Christmas program in the sanctuary of the Parish of the Nativity Catholic Church prior to the fundraiser.

UMC to celebrate 30th anniversary

The Eagle Lake United Methodist Church invites all family and friends to come and join them in their celebration of the 30th Anniversary of their church building, Sunday, Dec. 3. Special services and

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Kris Kringle Cash Winners Announced

Two people have won prizes of \$25 gift certificates for the holiday season in the first week of the Kris Kringle Cash Contest.

The lucky winners were Betty J. Kana and Jonathan Hruzek, both of Eagle Lake.

Their names were drawn from a number of entries that listed the correct number of Christmas symbols appearing in the Headlight last week.

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Fair Wells Named Marshal For 2006 Christmas Parade

Every year the Eagle Lake Chamber of Commerce selects a Parade Marshal to preside over the Eagle Lake Christmas Parade.

The Parade Marshal is chosen for their service to the community and their outstanding character. This year Mrs. Virginia "Fair" Frazer Wells was selected to represent Eagle Lake.

Mrs. Wells has devoted countless years of her life to many organizations in our community. She was a Brownie and Girl Scout leader from 1953 to 1958.

She has been an active member in many political campaigns since Eisenhower in 1952 and

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Fair Wells



United Way Auction Friday

Don't forget Eagle Lake's United Way Silent Auction Friday, Dec. 1, at 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. These are only a few items that will be auctioned. Make plans to go by First National Bank and support Eagle Lake's United Way.



Eagle Lake is getting in the Christmas spirit. Benito Rangel works to put up Christmas decorations on Monday.