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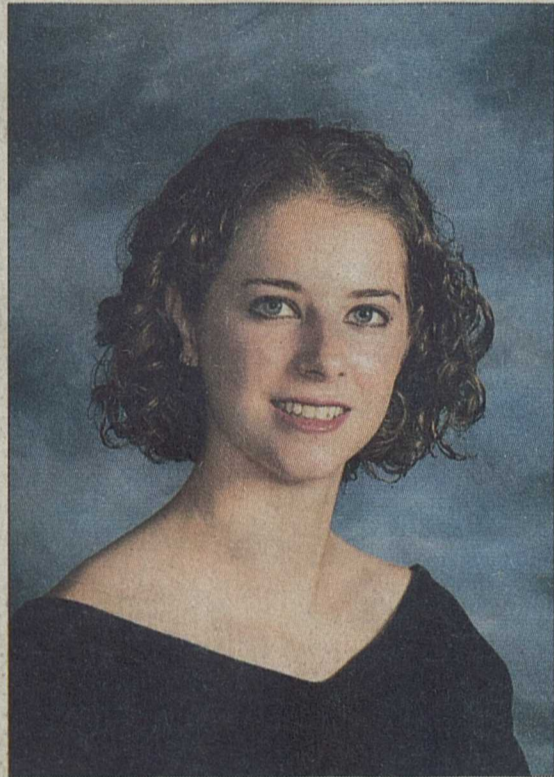
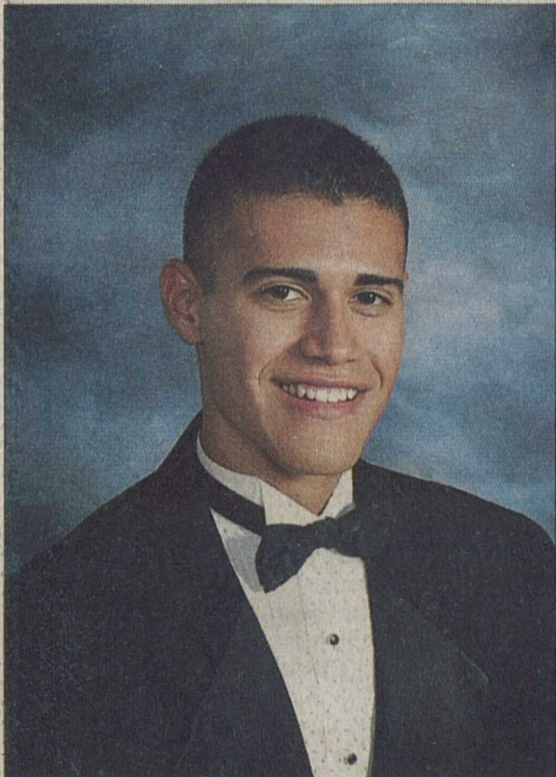
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John Paul Supak was named Valedictorian and Catherine Cummings Salutatorian of the Rice High School Class of 2007. Commencement exercises are Friday in Altair at 8 p.m.

Rice High School Graduation Ceremony Set For Friday

Seventy-seven students are set to graduate during ceremonies at Rice High School in Altair on Friday, June 1 at 8 p.m.

John Paul Supak will deliver the valedictory address and Catherine Cummings the salutatory.

Honor graduates in the class include: John Paul Supak, Catherine Cummings, Clayton Bowen, Travis James Danklefs, Malory Mckenzie Dumont, Morgan Lindsay Dumont, Farah Kathleen

Ellenbogen, Johnathan Galvan, Keith Kallina, Marco Lopez, Kristi Sepulveda, Courtney Sklar, Guadalupe Vazquez, Brian R. Williams. See the graduation section inside for more on the Rice High School Class of 2007.

Judge Optimistic About Future Juvenile Facility Use

Negotiations are under way to reopen the juvenile detention center in Eagle Lake, Colorado County commissioners were told Monday.

County Judge Al Jamison said he had been in discussions for approximately a month with a company, Youth Services International. Jamison said the company contracts with the Texas Youth Commission to operate juvenile detention facilities.

He emphasized that no agreement had been reached, but he said that he felt more optimistic about the possibility of reaching an agreement because of increased attention to the issue of dealing with juveniles who are in state custody for criminal activity.

The facility was shut in March 2006, after the county tried to op-

erate it for about six months, but incurred losses of approximately \$350,000.

The county's operation effort game after a private company Coorectional Services Corp. announced in June 2005 that they were shutting down operations after its contract with the Texas Youth Commission was terminated.

The facility can house up to 150 juveniles and had been built with a \$2.5 million grant from the state in 1996.

At its peak, employment was estimated at about 100 people.

In other action, the commissioners:

--Recognized Kyra Kabernik, a Weimar School student, who was selected to participate in the People to People Student Ambassador Program.

--Presented County Treasurer Diane Matus, with a safety award from the Texas Association of Counties for her coordination of safety programs for the county.

--Were told by Jamison that he was gathering information on the county's possible participation in a reverse 9-1-1 calling system in which the county could automatically call phones of selected residences in the county in emergency situations.

--Approved a request to name a private road Precinct No. 3 Rankin Lane.

--Approved a contract amendment with Volz and Associates to have the firm provide cost estimates of courthouse roof repairs, window restoration and electrical work. The cost for the estimate is not to exceed \$2,300.

NEWSBRIEFS

Farmers market to open Thursday

A farmers market will open Thursday from 4:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. at the Eagle Lake Community Center Pavillion. Vegetables will be sold. If you have fresh vegetables to sell you are welcomed to do so.

Does your child qualify?

Any child turning four by September 1, 2007 will be eligible to take an assessment that could possibly qualify them for the Rice CISD Pre-K program. If you are interested in your four year old attending Pre-K class, please call 979-234-3501 ext. 1050 or 1052. A Spanish speaker will be present to assist you with your questions.

Senior citizen dance is Friday

The senior citizen dance will be held Friday, June 1 from 8 p.m. until 11 p.m. at the Eagle Lake Community Center. The performers for the dance will be the "Fabulous 4". For more information call 979-234-2903.

Dance to be held Saturday

Sealy Dance Club is hosting a public dance Saturday, June 2 at the American Legion Hall in Sealy. Dance time is 7:30 to 11:30. Music will be provided by Central Texas Sounds. Theme for the dance is "Hawaiian Luau". Every dance is a big party and fun time. Free cake, coffee, and door prizes. The public is invited.

White Cloud birthday fest Saturday

The White Cloud Baptist Church will be sponsoring their annual birthday fest on Saturday, June 2 at 4 p.m. at the Eagle Lake Community Center. Tickets are \$10 per person. Tickets can be purchased from any member of the church or call 979-234-3800.

Raider Youth Football signups Saturday

The Raider Youth Football will have their final registration on Saturday, June 2 from 2 p.m. - 4p.m. at the city park.

KC Golf tourney is Sunday

The 23rd Annual Knight of Columbus will hold their golf tournament Sunday, June 3. The four-player scramble will start at 1:30 p.m. at the Eagle Lake Golf Course. Entry fee is \$200 per team and includes caps, mulligans, grab bags and chicken fried steak lunch. A chicken fried steak lunch will also be served to the public. Rent a cart by calling 234-5981 (limited carts available). For more information call Glen Janow at 234-5282; or Michael Duarte at 234-2630 or Craig Guthman at 758-4224. First second and third place prizes for gross and net and closest to the pin #4 and #7.

Lissie ice cream social set

The Lissie United Methodist Church will hold its ice cream social on Sunday, June 3 at 5 p.m. on the church grounds. There will be homemade ice cream, cookies, cakes, pies, and activities for the children. And to help you work off those extra calories you can gather in the sanctuary for an old fashioned time of hymn singing. A love offering will be taken to help the church renovate its Youth Room.

Retired teachers to meet June 4

The Colorado County Retired Teachers Association will meet at noon Monday, June 4 at Schobel's Restaurant in Columbus. Members and prospective members are encouraged to attend in order to pay membership dues for 2007-2008. New retirees will also be recognized at this meeting.

Summer reading program begins June 6

Wintermann Library is "gearing up" for the Summer Reading Program. The theme this year is "Sail Away with Books." The date for the program will be June 6 through July 18. The official opening day will be June 6. There will be a party beginning at 10:30 a.m. with refreshments and activities for the children. Registration for the program begins on May 30. Children will begin counting their books or pages on June 6. Returning again this year will be he Magician Julian Franklin. He will be entertaining the children on June 20 at 1:30 p.m. for all ages.

City In Need Of Summer Life-Guards

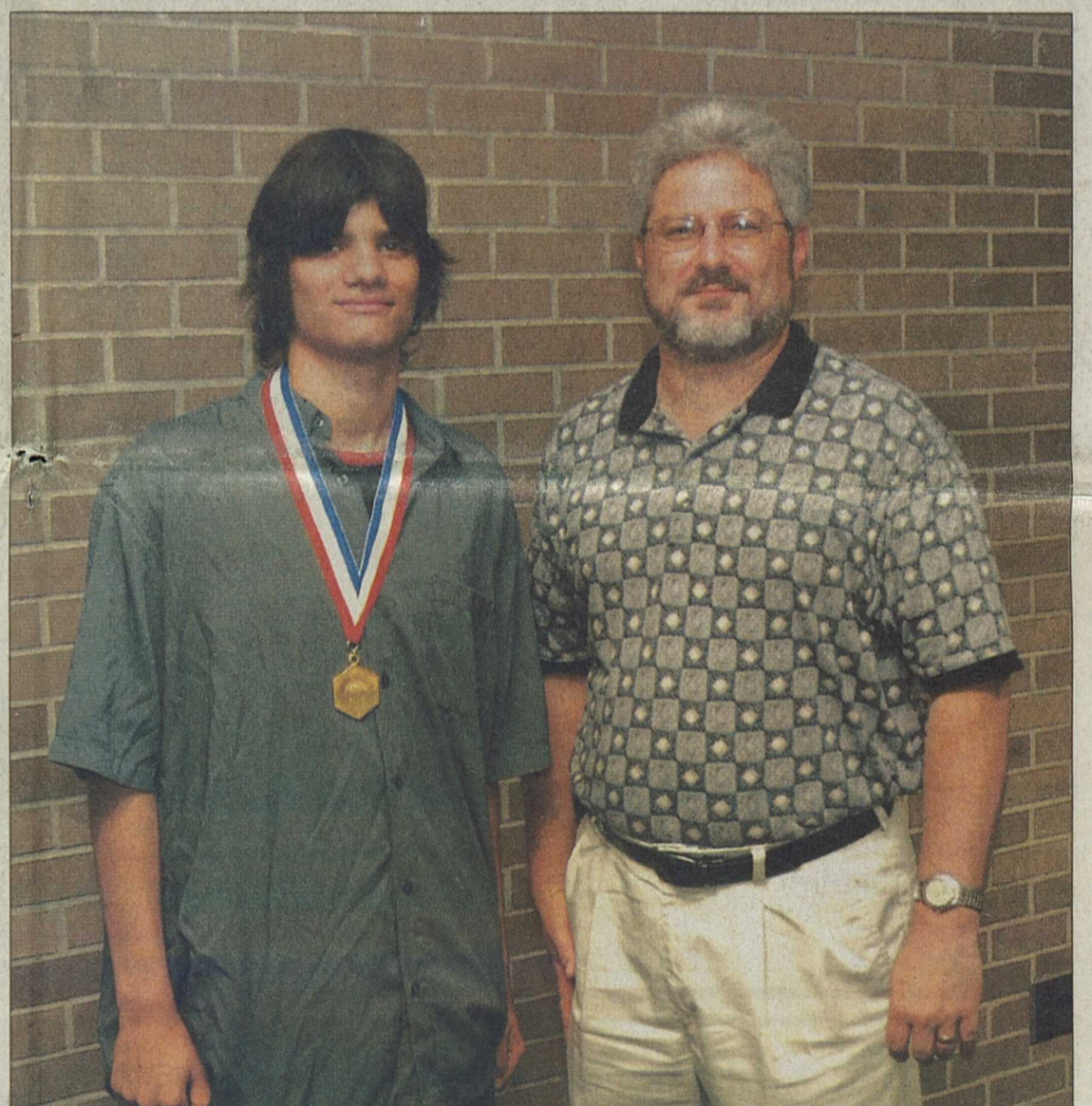
City Manager Ron Holland advised council that the city was having trouble finding life-guards for the pool this summer. He said that they needed at least six or seven but had received only two applicants. Holland said that if life-guards were not found the pool may not be able to operate. Any one interested can contact the city at 234-2640.

Three members were sworn in to the Eagle Lake City Council on Tuesday, May 22. Jane Meldahl returns to office while Michael Cooper and Wilbert Williams are serving new terms.

John Young was elected mayor pro-tempore.

Council also presented certificates of appreciation to outgoing

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Johnathan Galvan was awarded the John Phillip Sousa Award for 2007, the highest honor for a Rice High School Band Member. He is pictured with band director Houston Cummings.



The Elementary School kids had their annual field day earlier this month. These kiddos get prepared for a race.

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