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The Eagle Lake Fireworks Show went off on Saturday night on Calhoun Rd. The show was originally scheduled for July 3, but was postponed due to rain and soggy conditions. Pictured above from left to right are Ernestine Lott, Terra Jones, and Nerissa Contreras enjoying the firework show.

County Eyes \$12.03 Million '08 Budget

Colorado County commissioners put the finishing touches on a proposed budget of \$12.03 million for 2008 on Monday. After the session, County Auditor Raymie Kana said she would put the final budget figures together in advance of public hearings on the budget and tax rate. She said the budget anticipates taking \$1 million from \$4.4 million in savings.

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Temporary Water Board Appointed

A temporary board of directors for the Colorado County Groundwater Conservation District was appointed Monday to hold an election in November. The first meeting of the group was set for Thursday, July 26, at 6:30 p.m. to elect officers and begin work to call for an election. The appointment was made by county commissioners.

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County May Proceed On Courthouse Repairs

Colorado County commissioners discussed Monday the possibility of proceeding with repairs to the courthouse roof without waiting for a grant from the state. County Judge Al Jamison suggested that commission-ers were given a report on water leaks from the roof. Rob Schneider, an official with Drymalla Construction, said he had examined the leaks inside the courthouse.

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Raiders, Lady Raiders To Start Workouts Aug. 6

The Rice Athletic Department will start its pre-season workouts on Aug. 6. Football and volleyball players' 9th - 12th need to check the following schedule for times for bus pickups. Letters were sent out to each athlete in high school this year with practice times and important dates. If someone did not get a letter please call the Athletic Department at 979-234-3531 (ext. 1138 Coach Dumont); (ext. 1111) *Continued on back page*

NEWSBRIEFS

RMC Lobby renovations

Rice Medical Center (RMC) Employee Volunteers would like to announce that lobby renovations will begin soon. During this time the lobby will be closed, but there will be signage directing patrons to the new entrance. Everyone will be asked to use the 200 wing (Specialty Clinic) as the new entrance. We apologize for this inconvenience. No taxpayer monies will be used for this renovation, so if anyone would like to donate to the Volunteers to help with this cost, you may do so by sending it to the RMC Employee Volunteers, PO Box 277, Eagle Lake, TX 77434.

RCISD Summer office hours announced

Rice CISD Administration summer office hours are as follows: Monday through Wednesday, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Thursday, 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; Friday, CLOSED. Regular office hours resume Monday, August 20, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

CYCN is Saturday

Christian Youth Community Nite (CYCN) will be held July 28 at 7 p.m. The event hosted by STAND Youth and Bible Truth invite all youth and all churches to attend. Please join them at El Campo Boys and Girls Club. There will be snacks, games and music. For more information call Larry at 979-332-2078.

WOFF is July 28-29

The Wallis Oldtime Fun Festival (WOFF) will be held July 28-29 at Guardian Angel Catholic Church, Hwy. 36 and FM 1952 in Wallis. To register for the event or more information call Margie Schuenemann at 979-232-0260 or Liz Knight at 979-227-1637.

Family and Friends Day is July 28

Old Skool Organization will hold a Family and Friends Day in the park on Saturday, July 28. This is a chance to meet, greet, and interact with Old Skool as well as having fun with the kids. There will be food and refreshments for everyone, a drawing for a bike, and T-Shirts. For additional information please contact Russell Williams at 979-234-6966 or email us at: OldSkool2007@sbcglobal.net

Mt. Sinai to hold musical July 28

Mount Sinai Evangelical Ministries will be hosting their first annual Brotherhood Musical Saturday, July 28 at 6 p.m. For more information contact Bro. Jasmine Smith at 979-232-0347 or Pastor T. Kuykendall at 979-234-3259.

Gators to hold BBQ Sunday

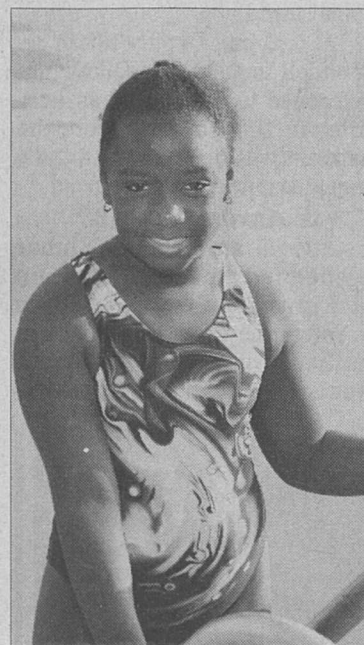
The Eagle Lake Gators Swim team will hold a BBQ plate dinner at the Eagle Lake Pool Sunday, July 29 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The plates include brisket, green beans, and buttered potatoes. Plates are \$7 each. Desserts will also be available.

Time to order lamb and goat tags

Time is fast approaching for 4-Hers and FFA students to make decisions on how many ear tags they will need for the 2008 Texas 4-H/FFA Lamb Validation and Texas 4-H/FFA Goat Validation Programs for the major livestock shows. The tags will cost \$9 each. In order to get our orders in on time we ask that you please turn in your orders to the Extension Office by August 27. Tags must be paid for at the time of order.



At around 11 a.m. on Tuesday, a truck trailer was struck by a train on 3013. Reports indicate that the truck failed to clear the tracks and was stopped when the train hit it. No injuries were sustained in the accident. The accident was investigated by Eagle Lake Police Officer John Sebastian.



Arlesia Henderson, daughter of Darilyn Henderson, will be heading to Cedar Park this weekend to represent the Eagle Lake Gators Swim Team and compete at the State swim meet.

She successfully qualified after finishing 3rd in the 25-yard freestyle event at the Texas Amateur Athletic Association Regional meet.



Three local swimmers from the El Campo Swim Team are state bound to Austin this weekend to participate in the TAAF State Games. Hillary Johnson, center, will compete in three events in the girls' 15-17 year old division. She qualified at the regional meet held in Rosenberg by winning a gold medal in the breaststroke, a silver medal in the butterfly and a bronze medal in the 100 IM. Also qualifying at the same meet was Blythe Nava, left, in the girls 13-14 year old division. She won a silver medal in the 100 freestyle and two gold medals in the 50 freestyle and anchored the first place 200 freestyle relay team to the state championship. Jill Nava, right, qualified in two relays. She won silver medals in the girls' 8 and under medley relay and freestyle relay. All three girls have swam for the El Campo Red Wave Swim team throughout the summer.