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**Baccalaureate Set
 May 18 For Seniors**

The Ministerial Alliance of Eagle Lake announces its annual Baccalaureate service for the class of 2008.

The service will be held at 4:00 p.m., Sunday, May 18, in the sanctuary of First Baptist Church, located at 527 North Lake in Eagle Lake.

The program is being planned by Revs. Joe and Mercy Fling of Living Hope Church.

The Baccalaureate will be a special service of Worship and Blessing for all students in the area who are graduating from high school.

We welcome all graduating senior students. Many students in our community will be graduating from private or home school as well as public schools in surrounding communities.

All are welcome to this service. Any senior student of Rice High School, as well as any graduating senior student living in our community is invited.

The Alliance wants to send a personal invitation to every graduating senior in our com-

munity.

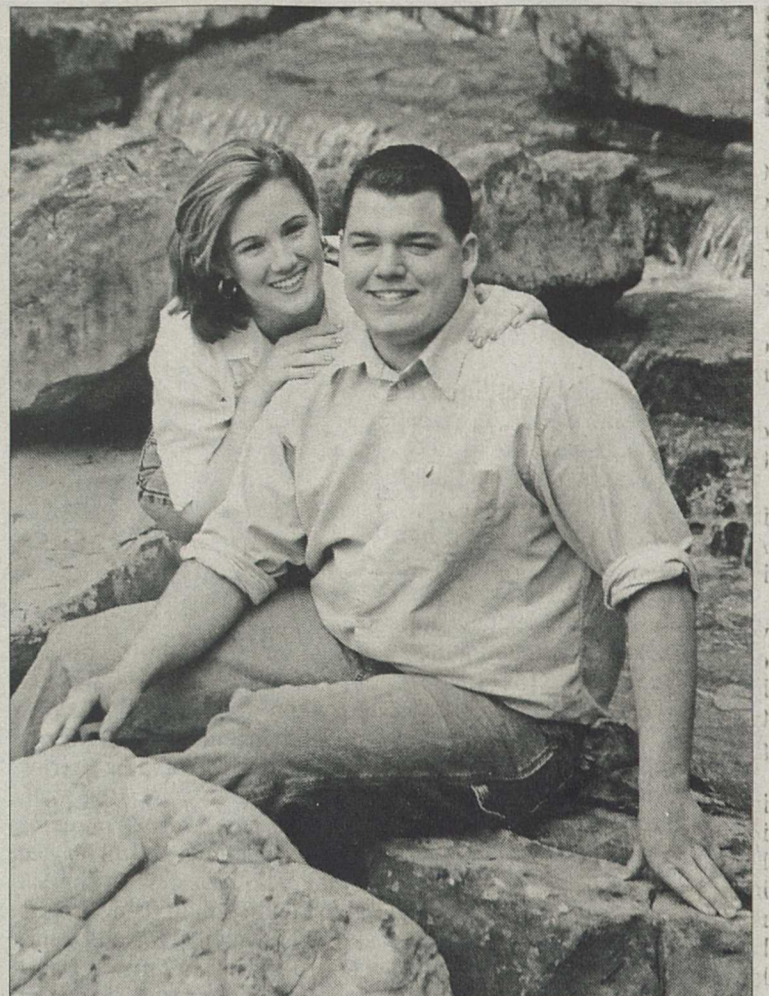
If you are a senior student in our community who does not attend Rice High School; and would like to attend this wonderful service in your honor, contact the Flings at 234-5536, Alliance president Rev. Steve Whitfield 234-3437, or any member of the Alliance for details.

The Baccalaureate is the traditional spiritual and Christian commencement service for graduating seniors.

In years past the service has included singing, scripture readings, and prayers of blessing for the graduates.

Parents, faculty, administration, school board members, and the whole community are all invited to attend as our honored guests.

The service will be followed by a time of fellowship.



Varley, Preather To Wed

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Varley announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Kimberly Renee of Sheridan to Jacob Preather of Houston. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Preather of Houston.

Kimberly is the granddaughter of Frenchie Blanchard of Sheridan. Jacob is the grandson of Sandy Ratcliff of Houston.

Kimberly and Jacob are 2007 graduates of Rice High School. Kimberly is attending Blinn Jr. College at Schulenburg. Jacob is employed at LeTouneau Technologies in Houston.

The wedding is set for June 7 at 2:00 p.m. at Eagle Lake Baptist Church.

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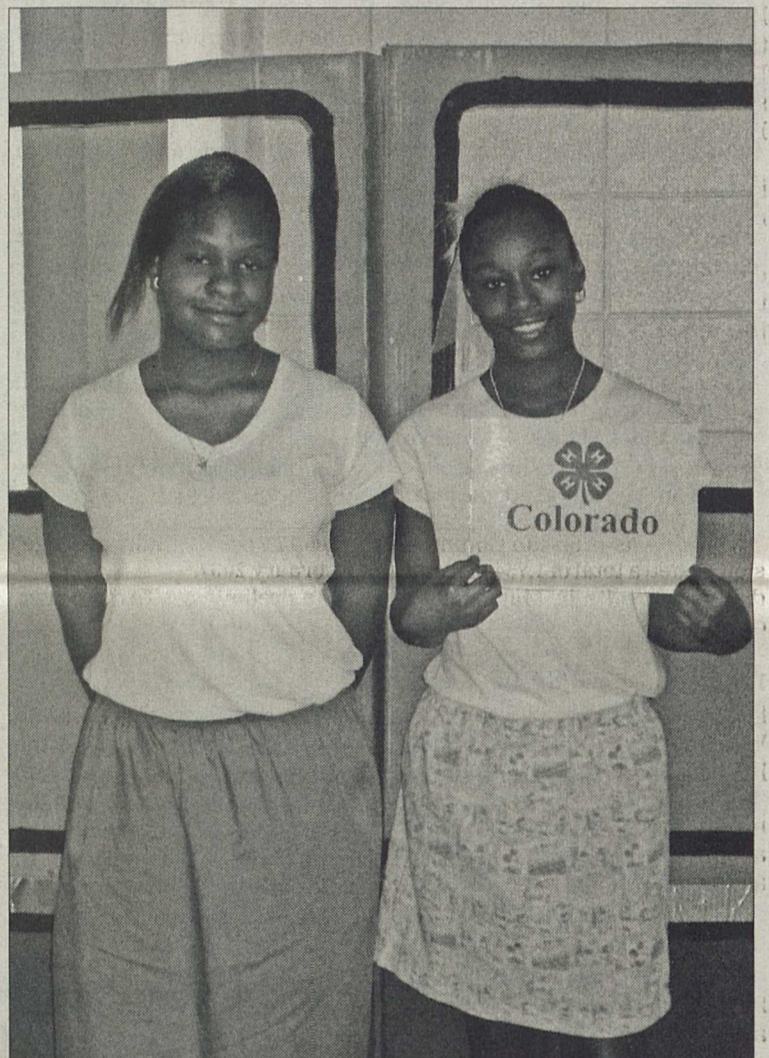
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Candace Stovall, left, and Takeisha Hodge recently participated in the Colorado County 4-H Fashion Show.

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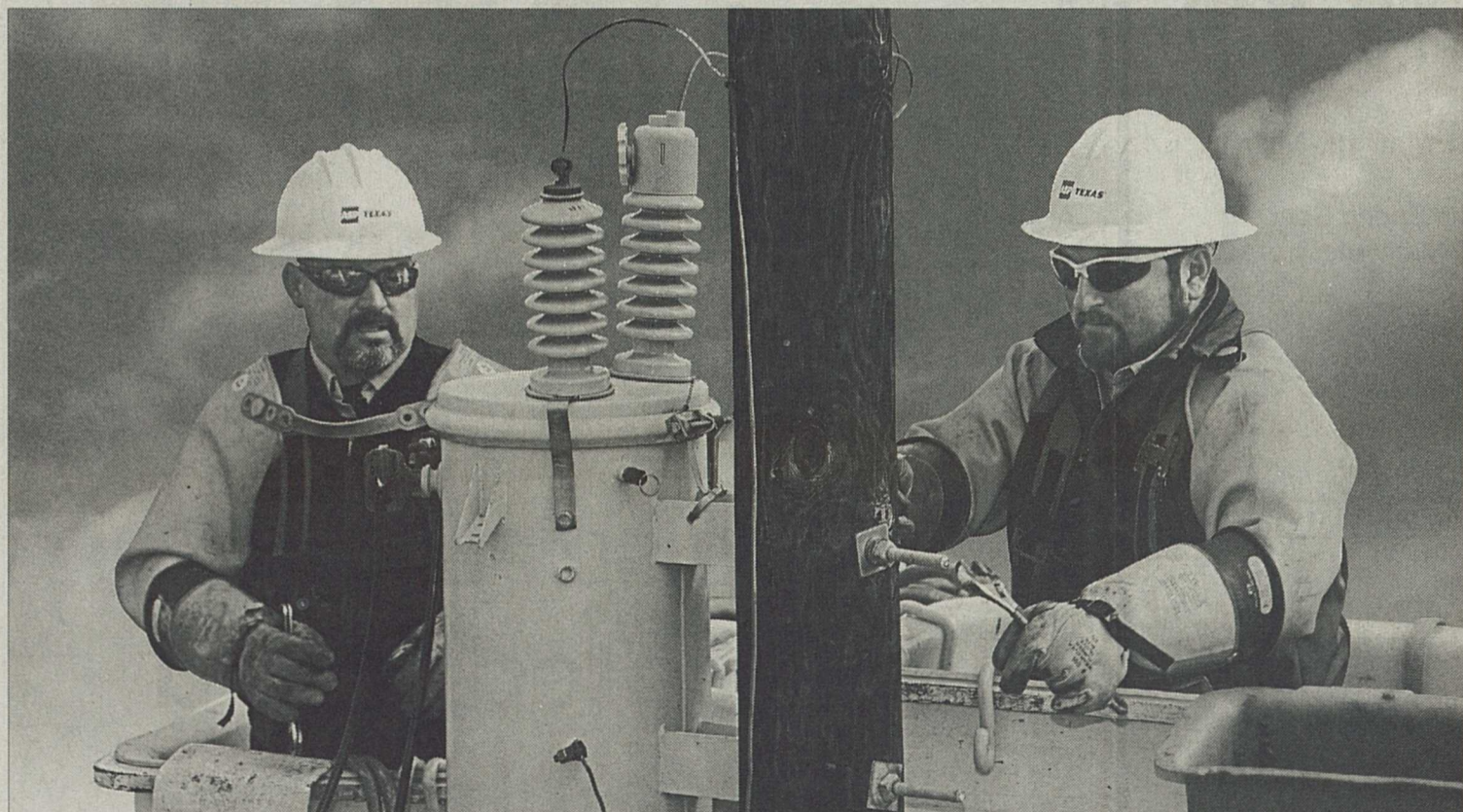
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**Rice Students Participate
 In 4-H Fashion Show**

Two Eagle Lake 4-H members competed in the Colorado County 4-H Fashion Show and advanced to the District 11 Fashion Show. The District Show was held Saturday, April 26, at Jackson County Services Building in Edna.

Takeshia Hodge and Candace Stovall, intermediate 4-H members, participated in the Construction Division, Casual category of the Colorado County Fashion Show.

Each girl constructed a skirt. Takeshia placed third and Candace received a blue ribbon in the District 11 contest.

As part of the contest, the 4-Hers had the opportunity to put together a packet that will help them with their knowledge of fiber and fabric content.

The objectives of the Construction Division of the Fashion Show are to recognize 4-H members who exhibit skills in:

- Application of knowledge of fibers and fabrics to wardrobe selection
- Clothing construction or comparison shopping
- Fashion interpretation and understanding of style
- Good grooming and poise
- Modeling and presentation of themselves and their garments.

Claudine Shorter, Erma McGrew and Shirley Brook accompanied the girls to the contest.

Educational programs conducted by the Texas Cooperative Extension Service serve people of all ages regardless of socio-economic level, race, color, sex, religion, handicap, or national origin.

**Sheriff's Department
 Catches Burglary Suspect**

On April 25, 2008 at about 3:26 a.m., the Colorado County Sheriff's Office was informed of an attempted burglary that had just occurred in Fayette County at Hruska's store in Ellinger.

As a result, Deputy Tomas Gonzalez began checking local businesses to prevent a burglary from occurring in Colorado County.

During the process, Deputy Gonzalez located an open window and a vehicle parked at the Broadway Food Mart on Hwy 71

west of Columbus that matched the description of the vehicle seen at Hruska's store earlier.

During the investigation, Deputy Gonzalez observed someone inside the establishment with cases of beer and cigarettes stacked on a picnic table outside the building below the open window.

After further investigation, Ashley Nicole Resendez, 18 of Columbus, was arrested on scene and charged with Burglary of a Building, State Jail Felony.