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Perry Talks About Seeking Third Term As Governor

AUSTIN — Gov. Rick Perry was in Fredericksburg on May 9 to help break ground in a ceremony to begin construction of a 40,000 square foot expansion of the National Museum of the Pacific War.

While there, Perry spoke to reporters and repeated his assertion that he plans to seek a third full term as governor in 2010. In April, he made public his desire to retain the office.

"If Texas were a corporation — and we would be one of the most efficient, most successful corporations in the world — and if you're a stockholder in that corporation, why in the world would you want to change your CEO when things are going well?" Perry said.

Perry has served as governor since 2000. U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey

Hutchison and Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst are regarded as potential rivals to Perry for the GOP nomination in 2010.

Energy report looks to future

Texas leads in the nation in energy production and consumption, so what do the years ahead hold for our state's plentiful sources of energy?

Clues may be found in "The Energy Report," a publication released May 7 by Texas Comptroller Susan Combs.

The report, now available at www.window.state.tx.us/special-rpt/energy/, considers economic impact, viability, availability and more regarding various energy sources, such as crude oil, natural gas, liquefied petroleum gas, coal and uranium, solar energy, wind,

ethanol, biodiesel, wood, feedlot waste, landfill gas, municipal solid waste, hydropower, ocean power, geothermal energy and hydrogen.

Federal, state and local government subsidies of fuels also are examined.

"Texas has the opportunity to influence the expanding public debate over energy use and production, and our choices can set a new direction for the nation," Combs said.

"The Energy Report is intended as a reference tool for anyone seeking a better understanding of the Texas energy landscape and the potential impact of new energy policies."

Site shows health care options

About one in four Texans lacks health care coverage, the Department of Insurance says.

So, during "Carry the Uninsured Week" April 27 through

May 3, the Texas Department of Insurance launched a way to help more uninsured Texans find health care. Of course, it's via the Web at www.texashealthoptions.com, a site where companies provide information about their health care plans.

Consumers who visit the site may choose from 26 policy types and clicking "submit" to receive a list of specific information about carriers' policies.

Dam oversight not up to par

The Office of the State Auditor says the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality's dam safety program is not able to accomplish its statutory mandate to ensure the safe construction, maintenance, repair and removal of dams in the state of Texas.

In a report released May 7, the State Auditor said that although management has made improvements to the dam safety program

over the past four years, the TCEQ still is not able to perform timely inspections of all hazardous dams, ensure that deficiencies identified in inspection reports are corrected, or obtain key information needed to assess the risk posed by many of the state's dams.

There are 7,603 state-regulated dams, according to the report.

Demand rises for gun permits

In a May 8 copyright story by the Houston Chronicle Austin Bureau, it was reported that the number of people seeking concealed handgun permits in Texas is up by 40 percent.

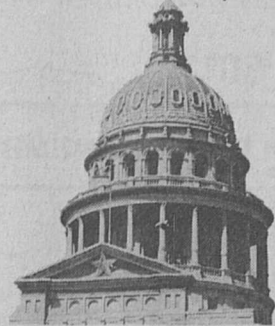
The number of requests is slowing the turnaround time. It's taking the Texas Department of Public Safety up to a month longer than the 60 days the law allows for the processing of applications.

State, moms file YFZ briefs

The Third Court of Appeals in Austin on May 9 received docu-

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HIGHLIGHTS
 By Ed Sterling

ments from state Child Protective Services and from 48 mothers of children removed from the YFZ Ranch near Eldorado in April.

The mothers explain why they believe the state had no call to take their children, and the state tells why it had no choice but to take the action it did.

Meanwhile, on May 19, state district courts in San Angelo will begin to conduct hearings for YFZ families who wish to retrieve their children from foster care.

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Let's Look Back...
24 & 48 YEARS AGO

May 31, 1984

Pvt. Mike L. Shelton son of **Rosie M. Shelton** of Eagle Lake has graduated as an armor crewman at the U.S. Army Armor School in Fort Knox, Kentucky...

Cynthia Stavinoha of Houston was selected salutatorian of her graduating class at Lutheran High North Lions...

Lana Lou Mahalite of Eagle Lake and **Barbara Ann Leopold** of Nada were among the 1,291 Southwest Texas State University students who filed for degrees awarded in Spring commencement ceremonies May 12 in Strahan Coliseum...

Sheryl Hemphill daughter of **Jennie Hemphill** and the late **Robert Hemphill** of Eagle Lake won a \$500 Art Scholarship Saturday, May 17 at the Live Oak Art Club...

Mr. and Mrs. Gottlieb Harborth of Eagle Lake celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary Friday, May 25 at the Heritage House. The reception was hosted by the Ladies of Grace Lutheran Church...

Alois Pustejovsky, 68, passed away suddenly Sunday, May 20 in Houston. Last rites were held at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Frydek. Burial was in St. Mary's Cemetery in Frydek...

Mrs. Mary Cloat of Eagle Lake passed away suddenly Thursday, May 24 at the Eagle Lake Community Hospital. Funeral services were conducted Monday, May 28 at 10 a.m. at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church with Rev. Ray Widacki

officiating. Interment was held at Lakeside Cemetery...

Funeral services for **Leo Driik, Sr.**, of Garwood were held at 4 p.m. Sunday, May 13 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Nada with **Bishop Hugo Gerbermann** officiating. Interment was in St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery under the direction of **Triska Funeral Home**...

Glenn and Carol Drozd of Hallettsville are proud to announce the arrival of their first child, a daughter. The little girl was born on Monday, May 21 at 2:54 a.m. at the Lavaca Medical Center in Hallettsville. **Lauren Nicole** weighed seven pounds, four ounces at birth and measured 21 1/4 inches...

Miss Mary Katherine Dornak and **Robert Laird Cook**,

III exchanged vows in a lovely ceremony Saturday, May 19 in St. Phillips Catholic Church in El Campo at 2 p.m. with the **Rev. Tim Kosler** officiating...

Marie Suzanne Kasmier-sky and **Dennis Leroy Ramsey** were united in holy matrimony on Friday, May 4 at 6 p.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Nada. **Monsignor Victor G. Schmidtz-**insky officiated the double ring ceremony...

Miss Misty Ann Lujan, daughter of **Richard and Janie Lujan** of Eagle Lake has been selected as a contestant in the 1984 East Texas National Little Miss Pageant to be held at the Marriott Hotel in Houston on June 2...

May 26, 1960
Walter Sommer presented a two year full tuition scholar-

ship (to be an annual award) by Eagle Lake Rotary Club. **Walter Sommer** and **Karen Cook** receive the annual awards for the most outstanding students in the class from the Eagle Lake Lions Club...

Carole Bunge, daughter of **Mr. and Mrs. Lester Bunge** of Garwood, named valedictorian of the Nazareth Academy graduating class...

Miss Molly Sue Zuehlke has been named valedictorian of the Sheridan senior class and **Billy Dean Parks** is salutatorian...

Billy Joe Williams, **Gene Payne**, **John Brasher**, **Charles D. Stephens** (manager of the local firm), **Vernon Gertson**, **Harold Lloyd Williams**, and **Draper Stephens** are members of the Eagle Lake Implement Company Imps bowling team. They won the Pinbusters League in El Campo.

COLORADO COUNTY COURTHOUSE REPORT

Thirteen individuals were sentenced in Colorado County Court Wednesday, May 7. They included:

Jay Alba, driving while intoxicated with previous conviction. Sentenced to three days in jail, credit for two served, fined \$350.

Michael R. Alley, II, driving while intoxicated. Sentenced to one-year probation, fined \$500, interlock device.

Cecil Lee Burton, driving while license invalid. Sentenced to 10 days in jail, credit for 11, fined \$100.

Mitchell Debord, theft of stolen property. Fined \$100, reduced to Class C.

Mitchell Debord, driving while intoxicated. Sentenced to one-

year probation, fined \$500, interlock device.

Andrew T. Laurentz, theft. Sentenced to one-year deferred adjudication, fined \$350, \$327.27 restitution.

Elmer A. Navarrete, evading arrest/detention. Sentenced to 90 days in jail, credit for 80.

Kristen N. Storch, possession of marijuana. Sentenced to one-year deferred adjudication, fined \$350, restitution to DPS and ordered to attend drug classes.

Sandra Dekeyser, driving while intoxicated. Sentenced to 15 days in jail (weekends), fined \$1,000.

Nicholas Edgell, possession of marijuana. Sentenced to three days in jail, credit for two, fined

\$350.

Trent Fields, purchase/furnish alcohol to a minor. Sentenced to one year deferred adjudication, fined \$350 and eight days in jail.

Trent Fields, evading arrest/detention. Sentenced to one year deferred adjudication and eight days in jail.

Anthony W. Jacobs, driving while license invalid. Reduced to Class C, fined \$350.

Kasey Austin Sims, possession of marijuana. Sentenced to three days in jail, credit for two, fined \$350.

Alan Jones, driving while intoxicated-2nd offense. Sentenced to 30 days in jail, fined \$1,000, two year driver's license suspension.

Colorado County Sheriff's Report

The Colorado County Sheriff's Department reported the following calls and cases for the period ending April 24.

Friday, April 11

At 9 am, Sgt. Edman met with a complainant from Columbus who wanted to report a Family Violence Assault that occurred over a year ago. A report was filed and the case was closed after the allegation could not be substantiated and also involves an ongoing divorce.

At 11:30 am, Deputy Argo responded to the Rice High School in reference to Truancy. After further investigation, one student was located and issued a citation for Failure to Attend School. Case closed.

At 12:05 pm, Deputy Mieth responded to 700 Milam Street to assist the Columbus Police Department with a wanted subject. The assistance was provided and two subjects were apprehended in connection with the incident. Case closed.

Saturday, April 12

At 3:54 pm, Deputy Templeton responded to IH-10 near the 704 mile marker in reference to a vehicle fire. The Bernardo Volunteer Fire Department responded and put out the fire. There are no suspicious circumstances and the fire

was believed to have originated in the engine compartment. Case is closed.

At 5:14 pm, Sgt. Pflughaupt conducted a traffic stop on Hwy 71 west of Columbus near the Yaupon Creek Estates. After further investigation, **Barbara Hernandez**, 30 of Pasadena, was arrested for Driving While License Invalid. Case closed.

Sunday, April 13

At 12:45 am, Deputy Zak conducted a bar check at Big's Bar located on Center Street in Alleyton. After further investigation, **Lisa Marie Perrard**, 26 of Columbus, and **Sergio Leija Obregon**, 32 of Glidden, were both arrested for Public Intoxication.

At 2 am, Deputy Thumann conducted a traffic stop on Hwy 90 at Old Hwy 90 east of Columbus. After further investigation, **Ronald Luis McMillian Jr.**, 20 of Columbus, was arrested for Possession of Marihuana. Case closed.

At 9:40 am, Deputy Mieth conducted a traffic stop on IH-10 near the 705 mile marker. After further investigation, **Julian Garcia**, 18 of Del Valle, was arrested for No Driver's License. Case closed.

At 11:07 am, Deputy Mieth responded to a residence in Rock Island in reference to a Burglary.

On arrival, evidence was collected and a description of stolen property was obtained. Case is pending further investigation.

At 1:28 pm, Deputy Mieth responded to a residence near Sheridan in reference to a Juvenile who attempted suicide. The Juvenile was transported to Rice Medical Center by EMS for treatment. A report was filed and the case is closed.

At 9:15 pm, Sgt. Pflughaupt conducted a traffic stop on Hwy 90A at the railroad tracks east of Altair. After further investigation, **Celia Hernandez**, 35 of Raymondville, was arrested for No Driver's License and No proof of Insurance. Case closed.

At 10:14 pm, Deputy Zak attempted to conduct a traffic stop on Hwy 71 south in Nada. The vehicle refused to stop and continued on Hwy 71 south. The vehicle was finally stopped inside Wharton County on Hwy 71. After further investigation, the driver, **Martin Mansilla Medina**, 57 of El Campo, was arrested for Evading Arrest or Detention with a Vehicle, Driving While Intoxicated, and Unlawful Carrying of a Weapon. Case closed.

Monday, April 14

At 6:48 am, Deputy Savino con-

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