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3rd Annual Old Skool X-Mas Bash

Advance tickets will be on sale on Saturday, Dec. 19, at the Eagle Lake Community Center. Tickets are \$10 in advance - \$15 at the door. For tickets or more information please contact:

Kevin Earls 979-997-2853, Jerome McAfee 979-531-9070,
or at: oldskool2007@sbcglobal.net.

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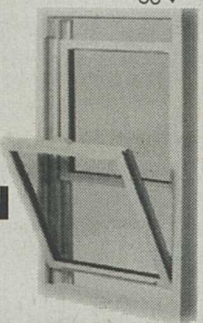
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Gov. Blasts EPA On CO₂

AUSTIN -- Gov. Rick Perry on Dec. 9 wrote to Lisa Jackson, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency director, in hopes of having the agency withdraw a ruling that admits to the health danger of carbon dioxide in the air we all breathe.

The EPA announced Dec. 7 that greenhouse gases (water vapor, carbon dioxide, methane, nitrous oxide and ozone) threaten the public health and welfare of the American people.

EPA also cited evidence that "GHG" emissions from on-road vehicles contribute to that threat.

Perry, joined by state officials and industry chiefs, held a press conference in La Porte Dec. 9 to talk about the EPA ruling.

"The unelected bureaucrats at the EPA have effectively and unilaterally ended any honest debate on this vital issue," Perry said.

"A cap and tax system would force Texans to bear more than their share of negative effects, including an average increase in annual living costs of approximately \$1,200 per household and the loss of hundreds of thousands of jobs.

"I'm a firm believer that Washington's one-size-fits all approaches don't work, whether you're talking energy policies, health care reform or economic development," he said.

Perry refers above to "cap and trade," a federal plan to control air pollution by limiting the amount of pollutants a company may

discharge.

If a company uses all of its pollution "credits," it may buy credits from another company that has some to spare.

Cap and trade operates under the theory that companies will cut back or clean up their emissions, and cumulatively, the less pollution, the cleaner and healthier the air.

Public Utility Commission Chairman Barry Smitherman said cap and trade "will cost trillions (of dollars) with no guarantee of results, except lost jobs and higher electricity prices."

Letters target uninsured motorists

The Texas Department of Insurance announced Dec. 8 that about 100,000 Texas drivers will receive a one-page letter because they could not be matched with an active auto insurance policy for a period of at least 60 days.

The letters come through TexasSure, a vehicle insurance verification program available to the state's 254 county tax assessor-collectors since June 2008 and state law enforcement since October 2008.

The goal of the program is to reduce the number of uninsured drivers.

The presence of uninsured drivers on the road drives up auto insurance costs for insured drivers.

Appliance rebate program is set

Texas Comptroller Susan

Combs on Dec. 11 announced the state will use about \$23 million in federal stimulus funds for a mail-in rebate program for consumers who purchase certain energy efficient household appliances between April 16 and April 25, 2010.

The rebates are for consumers who buy eligible Energy Star appliances and replace the same type of old appliance that is functional.

Included are Energy Star certified refrigerators, freezers, room air conditioners, central air conditioners, heat pumps, water heaters, clothes washers and dishwashers, Combs said.

An additional \$75 recycling rebate will go to consumers who buy an eligible appliance and recycle the same type of functional old appliance.

The 10-day purchase period was set to coincide with Earth Day, April 22, 2010.

State sales tax intake declines

Comptroller Combs on Dec. 11 said the state collected \$1.7 billion in sales tax in November, down 14.4 percent compared to November 2008.

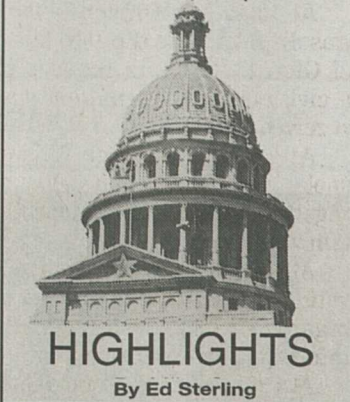
Collections were down in oil and natural gas production, construction, manufacturing and retail trade.

Language extends tolling ban

U.S. Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Texas, a member of the Senate Transportation, Housing

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State Capital



HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling

and Urban Development Appropriations subcommittee, on Dec. 11 announced that her language reinforcing a current ban on placing tolls on existing interstate highways in Texas through September 2010 was included in pending legislation she expects to be signed into law.

Bill contains Ike recovery money

The U.S. House on Dec. 10 and the U.S. Senate on Dec. 13 passed a \$1.1 trillion spending bill, which includes funds to help Galveston and other communities hit by Hurricane Ike in September 2008.

The bill awaits President Obama's signature.

Language in the bill makes matching community development block grant funding available for hurricane-damaged cities in Texas coastal areas still in need of recovery assistance.

The language was inserted into the bill by U.S. Rep. Chet Edwards, D-Waco.

Let's Look Back...

24 & 48 YEARS AGO

Jan. 9, 1986

Aubrey Wrench Rose, 75, passed away December 26 in Brazoria. He was affectionately known as "Red". Attending the funeral services were family from Austin, Waco, Houston, Eagle Lake, San Antonio and Corpus Christi...

Minnie Ola Johnson Turner, of Eagle Lake passed Jan. 1. Funeral services were held Jan. 5 from Greater Mt. Olive Baptist Church...

Lois Steele and Robert

Hemphill were united in marriage in El Paso...

David A. Henderson formerly of Eagle Lake has transferred to the Terrill office of the United States Department of Agriculture Soil Conservation Services. He is the son of Norman and Maggie Henderson of Eagle Lake and a 1979 graduate of Rice High School...

New Year arrivals at Eagle Lake Community Hospital were twins born the night of Jan. 1 to Willie and Ruth Ann Cleveland. The babies were named Vera and Erra...

Leslie and Susan Wilkerson of Eagle Lake announced the arrival of their third child, Brooke Ashley...

Mr. and Mrs. Gary Cerny announced the birth of their third child, born Dec. 30 at Gulf

Coast Medical Center in Wharton. The baby was named Kara Camille...

Harold and Vera Taylor announced the birth of their first child a daughter. Jennifer Lannette weighed seven pounds, six ounces...

Justin Jobe, son of Kelly and Tracy Jobe celebrated his 5th birthday.

June 16, 1960

Eagle Lake community lost another of its beloved pioneers when Max Conner, former businessman and Justice of the Peace for many years passed away...

Victor Mascheck assumed management of the Gulf Service Station...

Mrs. L.J. Spanihel of Eagle Lake accepted a citation for the

Matheney Named New Ag Agent

A new county agriculture agent has been named for Colorado County.

She is Kara Matheney, who has recently joined the AgriLife Extension Service.

Matheney replaces Dale Rankin, who took another position with the extension service earlier this year.

Matheney, 24, completed her master's degree in animal science in August at Texas A&M University.

She received a bachelor's degree from Texas A&M in animal science in 2007.

She is a graduate of Taylor High School and was active in FFA and 4-H.

"I'm excited about having the opportunity to work with the people of Colorado County," she said.

Matheney was introduced to county commissioners on Monday.

A reception for Matheney will be held in the future.

She will begin work in Colorado County on Feb. 1.



best record in Civil Defense Preparedness...

Members of the Frnka family held their 22nd annual family reunion in San Marcos June 5...

The Eagle Lake Lions Club installed new officers for 1960-61. Officers installed were Lorell H. Dye, president; Sam J. Davidson, 1st vice-president; Carl Seaholm, 2nd vice-president; Roscoe Fountain, 3rd vice-president; R.L. Cook, tail-twister; T.T. Waddell, lion tamer; Floyd Hodde, Jr., treasurer; and Eddie Krivacka, secretary...

Clyde P. Brown of Eagle Lake successfully defended his championship title at the Columbus Golf Club last week, by defeating Bill Bodford in an extra hole of competition...

The Cubs won over the Yanks. Hitting for the Cubs were John Konvicka, Dick Waddell and Gilbert Sosa. Sidney Struss went the route for the Cubs on the pitching mound...

Misses Sue Ellen Rolf and Vicky Frederickson were hostesses at a surprise going-away party for Beverly Kay Davis...

Pam Terrell is a new employee in the bookkeeping department at the Eagle Lake Furniture Company.

Colorado County Crimestoppers

Colorado County CrimeStoppers will pay quick cash if you give information that leads to the arrest of any of the following persons.

You can make a quick \$5,000 on subject(s) that are arrested on Misdemeanor warrants, or a quick \$100 on subject(s) that are arrested on Felony warrants.

You do not have to give your name.

Julio Melendez, 25, misdemeanor.

Ruby Montalvo, 32, misdemeanor.

Gregorio Ortiz, 24, misdemeanor.

Donald C. Pleasant, 39, misdemeanor.

Bobby Reyes, 17, misdemeanor.

Darrell McMillan, 41, felony. Draper Parker, 32, felony. Chance Thornhill, 32, felony. Mitchell Denley, 29, felony.

Jacques Henderson, 23, felony.

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Count the number of symbols in advertisements in this edition and submit your guess in writing to the Headlight by Monday, Dec. 21

(including symbol on this entry form)

A drawing of all the correct entries will be held to determine the winner

Two winners will receive a
\$25 gift certificate
to any one of the businesses
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My Guess Is _____ (including symbol on this entry form)

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

I'd like to use my certificate at _____
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