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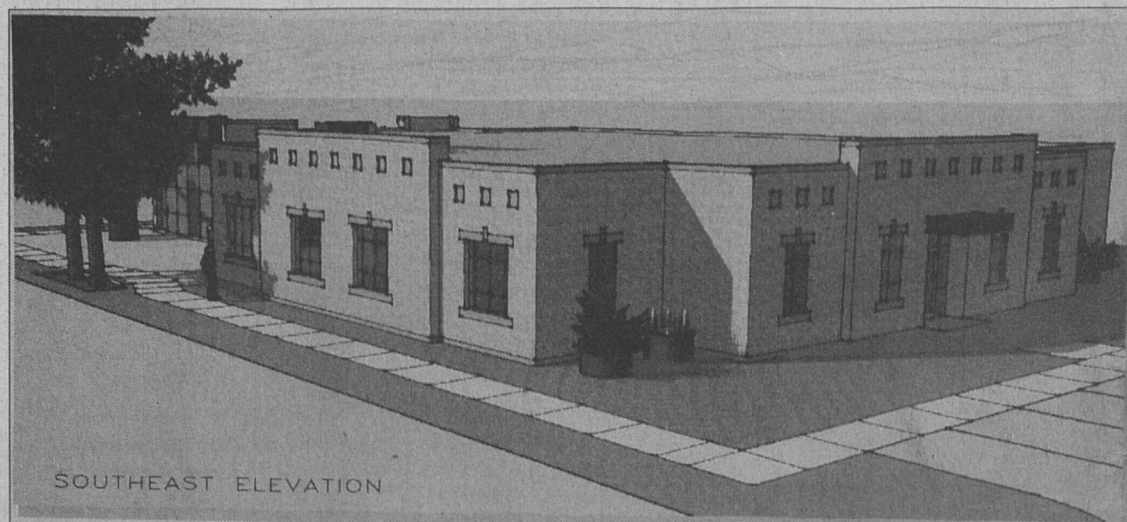
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SOUTHEAST ELEVATION



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Above is an architect's drawing of the proposal accepted by the County Commissioner's Court for a new county annex building.

Commissioners Accept Annex Plan

Colorado Commissioners, meeting Monday, formally accepted the architect's plans for the new county annex building.

They also reviewed sketches of the new facility and were briefed on some of the planning.

Architect Brad Cutright presented the plans for the 10,340 square foot building.

Commissioners had budgeted \$1.5 million and the estimated construction cost, subject to bids is \$1.3 million.

The building will be designed so a second floor, with approximately 9,000 square feet could be added in the future.

The building will be located west of the courthouse at the northwest intersection of Spring and Travis streets.

The building will house the county clerk, tax assessor-collector, auditor and treasurer.

The annex is being built to house offices that will have to move due to courthouse restora-

tion.

Commissioners noted that the annex has to be completed before the restoration work on the courthouse can begin.

The exterior will be a combination of a buff/cream color brick to harmonize with the Courthouse and aluminum framed windows banded with a cast stone.

In other action, commissioners:

--Heard a presentation from Dr. Tom Hancher with the Robert R. Wells Airport Advisory committee about the need to designate height restrictions on building and structures such as radio towers near the flight approaches to the airport.

Commissioners took no action, but County Judge Al Jamison said, under state law, the county would need to appoint a special committee to propose the height restrictions.

--Approved a resolution of appreciation to Richard Luhrs, who resigned recently as justice of the peace for Precinct 2.

--Proclaimed April 11 to 17 as Public Safety Telecommunications Week to recognize the work of 9-1-1 operators and dispatchers.

--Proclaimed April 18-24 as National Volunteer Week to recognize the contributions of volunteers.

--Declared April as "County Government Month" to recognize

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Gertson Wins Re-Election In Runoff For Commissioner

Darrell Gertson won re-election as Precinct 4 County Commissioner on Tuesday in a runoff from the March 2 Republican Primary.

Gertson defeated Edward Sunderman with a vote count of 339 to 157.

There is no Democratic candidate in the fall, meaning Gertson is assured of another four-year

term in office.

On a percentage basis, Gertson had 68.35 percent of the vote and Sunderman 31.65 percent.

In the March 2 primary, Gertson had led with 276 votes (43.60 percent) in the primary and Sunderman had 195 votes (30.81 percent). The third candidate, Chris Schiurring had 162 votes (25.59 percent).

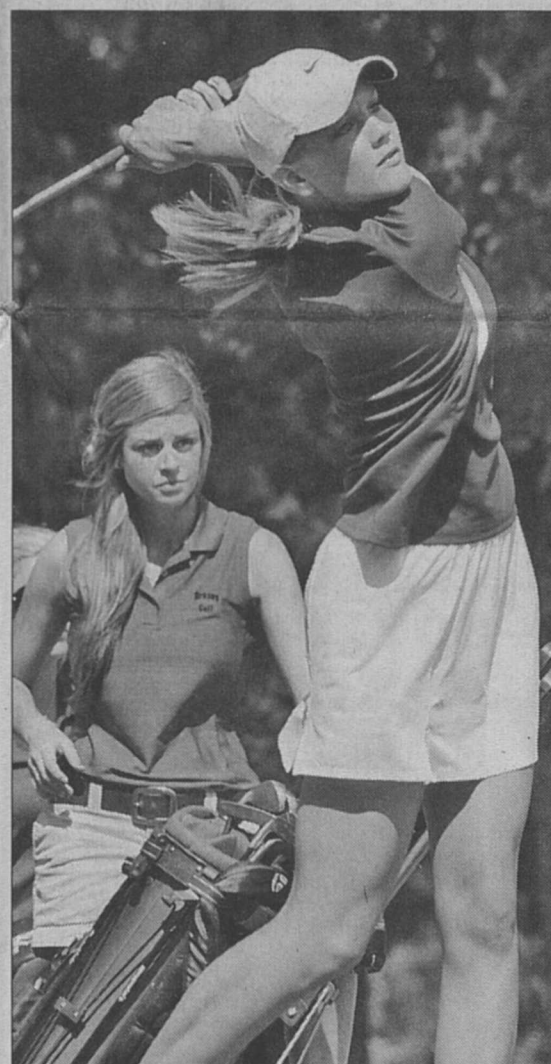
Meanwhile in the Republican runoff for Supreme Court Place 3, Debra Lehrmann was leading Rick Green in incomplete returns.

Also on the runoff election for the state Board of Education, District 10, Marsha Farney was leading Brian Russell.

The winner will face Democrat Judy Jennings.



Don Frnka, left, helps his father, Fred Frnka, vote in the run-off election on Tuesday.



The Rice Girls and Boys Golf teams both advanced to Regional with impressive showings at district in Sealy on Monday. The Girls took the District Championship, with Lauren Shimek, pictured above, leading the way as first place medalist. Brooke Popp finished third. The boys team took second place, with Myles Dumont as third medalist, Carlos Sosa (pictured above), fourth, and Mario Hull, fifth. Regional is April 19-20 in San Marcos.



NEWSBRIEFS

Kinder registration for Garwood School

Garwood Elementary School is registering students for the 2010-2011 Kindergarten class. Please come by the school office to pick up a registration packet. Students must be 5 years old as of 9/1/10 and must provide a copy of their shot record, social security card and birth certificate.

Jazz Band to perform April 15

The Wharton County Junior College Jazz Band will perform Big Band Sounds Thursday, April 15 at 7 p.m. The performance will take place at the Horton Foote Theatre (Duson-Hansen Fine Arts Bldg.) on the Wharton Campus. Admission is free! For more information call 979-532-6300.

Frnka family reunion slated

The 72nd Frnka family reunion will be held on Saturday, April 24, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Beason's Park, 1822 Beason's Crossing in Columbus. Directions to Beason's Park - from the county court house in Columbus, go east on Milam St. (old U.S. 90) cross the old east river bridge and the park is on the right. BBQ lunch will be catered. BYOB. Entertainment and family games for children. Bring item(s) for live auction. RSVP by April 16 on line by going to website at www.frnkafamilyreunion.com.

Celebration to honor Glover

Please join the family, friends and church members of Mrs. Oda Lee Axel Glover on April 17 at 1 p.m. They will gather in musical tribute at Wright Grove Baptist Church. She is the oldest member of Wesley Chapel and former musician until 2002.

Bernardo firemen's dinner is Sunday

The Bernardo Volunteer Fire Department (BVFD) will hold a homestyle chicken fried steak dinner, Sunday, April 18 at the BFD station. The station is located at Bernardo Road at FM 949. Tickets are \$8 each. Serving from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Drive thru or dine in. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Lions Club BBQ is April 18

The Eagle Lake Lions Club will hold their BBQ chicken dinner Sunday, April 18. Plates are \$8 each. Serving from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Eagle Lake Golf Course.

Project graduation meeting April 19

There will be a Project Graduation meeting on Monday, April 19th at the Rice High School Commons at 6 p.m. Seniors and their parents are invited to attend.

Myrtle Cemetery Meeting is April 20

The annual business meeting of the Myrtle Cemetery Association (MCA) will be held Tuesday, April 20 at 7 p.m. in the Rock Island Community Center cafeteria. Election of officers, maintenance of the cemetery, and plans for the annual homecoming will be discussed. Anyone interested in the cemetery is welcome to attend.

Farmers market to open April 21

The farmers market will open on Wednesday, April 21, at 4 p.m. in front of Eagle Tree, Lawn & Landscape on Glen Flora Road. This season we will be open on Wednesdays from 4 until 6:30 p.m. at this location. As usual we will have fresh local vegetables, fruit, and homemade food items. Email rwspal@elc.net, or call 979.243.4261 for information on selling your produce at the market.

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Pictured are members of the Lenten Luncheon committee and volunteers who serve at the Eagle Lake Food Pantry, which is located in the First Baptist Church. Photo courtesy of Michael Cooper.

Lenten Luncheons Donates To Food Pantry

The 14th Annual Community Lenten Luncheons is pleased to announce its 2010 donation of \$2,092.51 to the Eagle Lake Food Pantry.

The Lenten Luncheons are sponsored by the United Methodist Church of Eagle Lake with the assistance from First Baptist Church, Christ Episcopal, Parish of the Nativity Catholic, First Presbyterian and Lissie United Methodist churches.

An average of 76 people from

Eagle Lake and surrounding communities attended each of the six luncheons during the season of Lent.

Those who came enjoyed homemade soups, deli meats and homemade cookies. Don Bendy gave a warm welcome and introductions. George Cason kept up with donations and attendance while Michael Cooper photographed each luncheon for the luncheon scrapbook. A favorite

part of the hour was the selection and singing of hymns accompanied by piano music played by Patty Stephens.

The luncheon hour concluded with an inspirational message from one of six guest ministers from the area. They included Rev. Ralph Morgan of Christ Episcopal, Rev. Obie Rhodes of White Cloud Baptist Church, Rev. Kevin Collison of First Baptist, Rev. Bill Mosley of Grace Lutheran, and

Fr. Robert Guerra of Parish of the Nativity Catholic Church.

The Lenten Luncheon committee would like to thank those who participated in an attended this year's luncheon. Their support is the reason over \$24,000 has been donated to the Food Pantry over the past 14 years.

We look forward to our 15th year of providing food, fun and fellowship during Lent 2011 while supporting our brothers and sisters in need.