

# Annual Firemen's Ball

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# News From Wintermann Library

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The pre-school story hour continues on Wednesday mornings at 10:00 a.m. Sandy Bandy had the reading assignment this week and Linda Blain will take charge next week.

WCJC Pioneers Host San Jac Tues. The Wharton County Junior College Pioneer basketball team will host San Jac in a Texas Junior College Athletic Conference game on Tuesday, February 14th.

Kurt Payne To Attend Lincoln Kurt Wayne Payne, a senior at Rice Community High School, has been accepted by Lincoln Technical Institute, Dallas to begin his two-year program in Technology on Sept. 18th. Kurt is the son of Mrs. Patricia Payne of Eagle Lake and Gene Payne of Sonotone.

FREE CAGE TICKET Henry Dostal, come to see the Raiders girls play Sweeny in the Rice High Gym Monday, Feb. 19th. This ad will admit you free, courtesy of the Raider Booster Club.

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# SPORTS

Scores 43 Points



Mary Jo Spaniel

## Spanish Hits 43 To Set New WCJC Scoring Mark

High School game star, earned the 1977-78 record of 37 points set by Mamie Mauch of El Campo now playing for the Baylor Bears' women team.

Coach Ann Plummer's Pioneer women (2-1) will also get a chance to dump the front-running Temple Leopards in WCJA's final conference game on Saturday, Feb. 18th at 7 p.m.

## Hunter Fatality List Shows Increase

There were more hunting accidents—both fatal and non-fatal—in calendar year 1977 than in 1976, according to statistics compiled by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

During 1977, there were 80 recorded hunting accidents, and 17 of them were fatal. The previous year only 63 accidents were reported, 11 of them fatal.

Rifles were involved in 36 of the 1977 accidents, shotguns in 34 and handguns in 13. Self-inflicted accidents made up 41 percent of the total. A total of 20 accidents involved loaded guns and vehicles.

A total of 29 of the accidents was classified as "hunter judgment" caused. In three, the victim moved into the line of fire; in 13, the victim was hit by shooter swinging on game; in six, the victim was out of sight of the shooter; and in seven, the victim was mistaken for game. Only two of the 29 accidents, both shooter and victim were reported as wearing prominent bright colors in their hunting clothing. In one of these accidents, both shooter and victim were under the influence of intoxicants. In the other, a non-fatal quail hunting accident, the victim was out of the sight of the shooter.

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**THE HARTFORD**

# Rice Girls' Hopes For Repeat As West Zone Champions Dim

## Lose Second Time, 76-55, To Columbia Roughnecks

The Rice High School Raiders girls basketball team was virtually eliminated from repeating as the West Zone and District 14AAA champions on Thursday night of last week when the Raiders dropped a 76 to 55 decision to the Columbia Roughnecks. The two teams had entered the contest in a tie for the West Zone lead—the Raiders having lost earlier to Columbia while Edna stunned the Columbia team to throw the Raiders and Roughnecks into a tie for first place with 9-3 records.

Thursday night's loss to the Roughnecks almost, if not, eliminated the Raiders as possible zone champions, having lost twice to the Columbia team, even though there are still two games left to play.

On Monday night of this week, the Raiders broke back into the win column with a 61-56 win over the Wharton Tigers in Wharton.

Injuries Hurt Raiders In the crucial clash with the Roughnecks in Raider gym last Thursday night, injuries hurt the Raiders. One of the starting forwards, Angel Farrow, suffered an injury the week before, and despite the fact that she played a part of the game with a heavy knee brace, it was evident that she was hampered and the Raiders' scoring to supplement an other outstanding performance by senior forward Jane Dostal. Jane ended the night with 40 points, even though she had a "cold night" hitting on only 14 of 29 shots from the field. The Roughnecks took the lead in the first period, 15 to 0 and held on to a 26 to 20 advantage at halftime. The Raiders surged in the third period and pulled out ahead of the Roughnecks by a single point with less than two minutes in the third period, but the visitors rallied and pulled out from 48 to 44 at the end of the third period. Dostal fouled out with three minutes left to play and the Roughnecks had easy sliding down from that point and wound up with a 76 to 55 victory.

# Charity Ball Is Outstanding Success

## 4 Charities Share In Event's Proceeds

The Happy Hoofers Dance Club's second annual Charity Ball, billed as the "social event of the year," was just that when nearly ninety couples enjoyed a delightful evening in the Eagle Lake Community Center. The goal set for the sale of tickets to 100 couples was surpassed.

Tuxedos and evening gowns added to the festive atmosphere of the occasion sponsored by the dance club for the benefit of the Knights of Columbus Deaf Children's Hospital, the Shrine's Crippled Children's Hospital, and the Eagle Lake Community Center building fund.

The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department will stock approximately 11 million fish of seven species in Texas waters during 1978.

Keep up with all activities of the Rice School District by reading the Headlight.

The \$50.00 per couple event included dancing to the music of Ray Jurecka's

# Raiders Lose Second Time To Wharton, Drop From Contention

## Raiders Drop Final To Edna

For the first time in four years, the Rice High School Raiders boys' basketball team will not be participating in post season play.

Any hopes of defending their 1976-77 Zone and District titles, in District 14AAA play, were lost as Coach Henry Garza's Raiders bowed to the Wharton Tigers 70-56 in front of over 900 fans at Raider Gym last Friday night.

The loss by the Raiders Varsity ended their season with a 5-3 zone record and a 10-11 record for the season. It was an outstanding season for the Raiders considering they dropped their first six games of the season before winning their first game, coached by Richard Landry, who their game in Edna 61-41 and finished the season with a 5-3 record. The JV, fielding a squad of only six players, played some exciting ball this season but were unable to

post the top team scores with a 85-2417 record. Freddie Melts had high series for the men with a 58 and Earl Pennel rolled top game of 202-50. Polly Sosa had the best series for the women with a 485 and Alta Barten had a 130. Roy Stallman 516, Tommy Juma 503, and Wimpy Kristek 504.

Commuters League LaVerne Criswell's 219-534 led the individual scoring in the Commuters League action at Skull Creek. Lines on Thursday of last week. Other leading individual scorers were LaVerne Graham 208-217, Hank Bass 210-91 and Virginia Waldrop 180-508. Sheridan Drilling rolled the top team scores with a 795-2022 series.

The Fireballs continue to increase their lead in the league, now with 61½ wins, followed by Big Snowy Lease Service with 44, Sheridan Drilling 41, Scott's Spack Shack 41, Mohata 39½, and Bugaboo and Baumgart Insurance tied for sixth with 38 wins each.

# SPORTS CORNER

## Jane Dostal Nears 1000 Point Mark For A Single Season



A tip of the hat to all the Raider fans that came out to support the boy's basketball team against Wharton last Fri. One of the largest crowds ever to see a basketball game at Rice High School, over 900 fans from Rice and Wharton, were on hand for this important West Zone battle, despite the rain.

Your last chance to see the girls at home will be Monday night as they play host to Sweeny in the final game of the 1977-78 West Zone schedule. The girls are training Columbia by one game (Rice's two losses in zone have been against the Roughnecks) and their chances of repeating as District 14AAA West Zone champions look dim.

It'll be the final game for senior forward, Jane Dostal who is 47 points shy of 1000 points for a single season. Plan to attend this final night of basketball action this Monday.

Congratulations to Coach Jack Grammer's Raider boys for their outstanding season. Unfortunately the Raiders lost to Wharton for the Zone title, while Rice has dominated for the last three years.

However, the Raiders have a young team and will have four starters returning. Anthony Prihoda, senior guard is the only starter being lost to graduation. Wait til next year!

quail shooting comes to an end. Until Sunday evening the limit on quail will be 12 birds per day with a 36 bird possession limit.

Inclement weather has made quail hunting difficult for much of the season and the prospects for the closing weekend do not look much brighter.

The last of the shooting seasons for the 1977-78 season will come to a close this Sunday, Feb. 12th when

## Men's Bowl Assn. Tourney Feb. 17-19

The Men's Colorado Valley Bowling Association will hold its annual city tournament on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, Feb. 17th, 18th and 19th. All eligible bowlers are urged to enter.

Bowlers who are not on a team or need a partner for doubles competition, are asked to contact Doyle Waldrop.

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# BOWLING

Skull Creek Mixed  
 The Goofers set the pace for the Skull Creek Mixed League bowlers on Jan. 31st with a 845-2453 series. Floyd Spearshad had the top scores for the men with a whopping 228-211-205-644 series. LaVerne Graham led the women scoring with a 206-541 series. Other top scorers were Mike Beard 212-562, Lonnie Sommarate 213-216-621, Erwin Knipfel 225-579, Harry Barton 220-534, Ben Castillo 577, and Mags Graham 222-557.

Rice Birds continue to lead the league with 58 wins, while the Goofers are in second with 48. Amateur Hoop has 48½, Woolly Stogers 45 and Night Stalkers are fifth with 44 wins.

Wednesday Nite Trio  
 The Outcasts, the first place team in the Wednesday Nite Trio, added to their total win in competition last week. They now have total of 43 wins and are followed by the Gutter Loosers in second with 44. Hallettsville Hoopsters 42, Alley Cats 40 and one-half, and 2 plus 1 with 37 wins.

During last Wednesday evening's action Elaine Drogop rolled a 209-454 for high series while Doris Horton had the 213 high game. For team highs the Outcasts led with the 495 high game and the Alley Cats posted the 1962 high series.

Monday Nite Mixed  
 The Pinbusters and GOC are tied for the lead in the Monday Nite Mixed league as the battle for the lead continues hot and heavy. Both teams have 45 wins and are pushed closely by the Van Glas with 43½, Sinners with 43 and Hard Times in fifth with 37 wins.

In the action Monday night of this week the Hard Times

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