

WCJC-Pioneer Women Win Trophy



Wharton County Junior College's women's basketball team captured third place in the recent fifth annual Baylor Beavette basketball tournament at Waco. WCJC defeated the Baylor Bears 74 to 64 for third place with Mary Jo Spambel of Eagle Lake scoring 21 points. Mary Jo and Cheryl Johnson of Grande were named to the All-Tournament Team and Spambel also received the individual "most assists" award. The Pioneer women returned to Wharton for their next home game Sat. Feb. 19th in a 7 p.m. conference matchup with Temple. Members of the team pictured above are: front row, left to right, Johnson, Carol Kowalski of London, Spambel, Tammy McCaskey of Sweeny; back row, l to r, Judy Romanowski of Victoria, Jennie Park of Palacios, Annette Sparks of Fort Lavaca, Sheila Math of Abilene, Grace Land of Pecos and Cindy Mink of Newville. - WCJC Photo.

SPORTS

Men's Bowling

Zerach 205-204, Erwin Knipfel 210, Verlin Argo 224, Bill Orisk 201-248, Lawrence Stallman 206, and Mike Bolten 201. Commuters League Lawrence Criswell led the individual scoring in the Commuter's League last Thursday with a 206-206 series. Queens Who's had top team series with a 2101 and Fireballs rolled high game of 771. Gladys Moore posted a good 203-236. The Fireballs hold a good lead in the league with 84 1/2 wins, followed by Big Sandy Lease with 45, Shoreline Drilling 44, Mohata 41 1/2, and Bugalos and Scott's Snack Shack are tied with 41 wins each. There were 17 fatalities resulting from hunting accidents during 1977, compared to only 11 in 1976, according to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

Dallas Cowboy Efen Herrera To Speak At MAYC Meeting Feb. 25

Efen Herrera, talented place kick artist for the World Champion Dallas Cowboys professional football team will be the guest speaker at the Seventeenth Annual Membership Meeting of MAYC (Mexican American Youth Council) on Saturday, Feb. 25th at 7:00 p.m. A capacity crowd is expected for the event which will be held in the Eagle Lake Community Center. Officers, directors and members of MAYC invite one and all to make plans to attend. Tickets to the event will be \$2.00 per person and may be purchased at the door the night of Feb. 25th. Children accompanied by their parents will be admitted free. Proceeds from the event will be used by MAYC for the annual scholarship project. "We hope that one and all will come to enjoy the outstanding speaker and fine program and show their support for MAYC youth projects," said Duarte.



East Bernard football star Walter Shorter has signed a Lone Star Conference pre-enrollment agreement with Southwest Texas State University. East Bernard Coach Henry Kotzur, left, and SWT Coach Bill Miller, at right, were on hand for the signing along with Walter's mother, Mrs. Nodene Shorter. - SWT Photo.

SPORTS CORNER

Rex Shaddox Is New Wolf Trapper In County

Rex Shaddox, 21, who says he has been trapping wolves and coyotes since he was 12 years old, is the new wolf trapper in this county under a cooperative program between the County and the Texas A&M Extension Service. Shaddox is now on duty in the county. He is residing at this time on the Colburn Ranch north of Columbus, but plans an active role wherever needed in the county. He succeeds Clifford Morgan, who retired from the position which he held here under the same program. The appointment of Shaddox was recommended by Jim Trampola who was the first full-time wolf trapper in this county but has now been elevated to the position of district supervisor. The new trapper said that he will work in areas included in the county and stated that those who want trapping on their land will be accommodated according to the list. He said that he will not trap on lands unless he is requested to do so. The Wolfy Hoogers dominated team action in Skull Creek Mixed League Feb. 7th with their 827-244 series. For women's individual high scores, Margie Knippel posted a 209-582 series while for the men Butch Schmidt rolled the 209 high game and Mano Graham the 577 high series. Other high scorers last week were Butch Schmidt 555, Billy David 522, Erwin Knippel 507, Darlene Holden 297-548, Floyd Sperrath 502, Ruth Stein 201-223, Erwin Knippel 522, James Booker 522, Jane Booker 522 and Mano Graham had a 202 game in his 557 high series. The Rice girls continue to hold down the top spot in the league with a total of 61 wins, followed by the Gooders in second with 52. The Woolly Hoogers moved up a step on the ladder to third with 46 wins. The Night Stalkers also moved up one to fourth with 42 wins. Amateur Hour took a drop from third to fifth with 46 and one-half wins.

Walter Shorter of State Champion E.B. Brahmas Inks SWT Pact

Walter Shorter of East Bernard, one of the state's top wide receivers and defensive backs, has signed a Lone Star Conference pre-enrollment agreement with Southwest Texas State University. Shorter was a first team all-state selection in Class A and a unanimous all-district pick in 26-A as a receiver and defensive back in 1976. He is also captain of the East Bernard basketball team and a member of the National Honor Society. Shorter was coached in high school by Henry Kotzur, an all Lone Star Conference light and at SWT in 1971 and 1972. As a junior, Shorter's team was 9-1. Miller and his staff have now signed 13 schoolboy stars. Shorter is the son of Mrs. Nodene Shorter of Route 1, Eagle Lake.

United Daughters Of Confederacy Hear Talk On Richard O'Dowling

F. Allen Johnston, Adjutant, Terry's Texas Rangers S.C.V. was the speaker at the Shropshire-Upton Chapter No. 567 United Daughters of the Confederacy meeting, which was held in the home of Mrs. John H. Parks in Columbus. Mr. Johnston spoke about Richard O'Dowling, born in Ireland in 1838, emigrated with his family to America and settled in Hick County in 1850. He was known as Dick Dowling, and became a hero at the Battle of Sabine Pass. He was married to Elizabeth Anne Odum in 1867. When hostilities broke out with the Northern States, Dick enlisted and recruited many of his able-bodied Irish friends. The Battle of Sabine Pass was one of the great victories for the South. Lt. Dick Dowling and his 47 Irishmen captured two gunboats, crippled a third, took 350 prisoners, 13 cannon, 24,000 rounds of small ammunition, 25,000 rifles and provisions for a city of 10,000 for two months. Not one of Dowling's men was killed. Dowling was advanced to the rank of Major and was discharged and paroled on June 23, 1865. He returned to Houston. He was the first Houstonian to have gas lights in his home. He was a director of the Houston Gas Light Company. A few days before Dowling's only daughter, Mary Ann, was born he was stricken with Yellow Fever. He died in his sleep on Sept. 25, 1867 at the age of 29. Refreshments were served.

House of Rep. Votes Down Consumer Bill

(By Cong. J. J. Pickle) The House of Representatives voted down the consumer protection bill last week in what may have well been the final chapter of the eight year battle to increase consumer representation in the federal government. By a vote of 189 to 227, a margin larger than anyone expected, the Consumer Representation and Reorganization Act was defeated. I voted for the bill on final passage because I felt that it was mainly a good reorganization bill and not more spending. When I read the bill I could find nothing in it that created more bureaucracy, more interference, more paperwork or more spending. On the contrary, I found it was a piece of legislation that would get down the present bureaucracy and save money.

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Rice Girl Cagers Bow Out Of Contention With Loss To Sweeney

Postal Ends Season With 1013 Points The Rice High School Raiders girls brought their 1977-78 basketball season to a close Monday night in Raider gym with a 78 to 54 loss to Sweeney, eliminating any hopes of staying in contention to defend their 1976-77 District 14AAA West Zone title. Last Thursday night the Rice girls kept their chances alive with a win over Edna. The Raiders, fighting illness and injury all season, were still not back at full strength for Sweeney. Starting forward Angel Farrow was still hobbling with a knee injury suffered in the prior meeting with Sweeney. Angel Farrow had 17 and 22 points for the Raiders, while Sweeney's Angel Farrow had a fine game for Rice, considering, and scored 25 points. Annette Axel, starting at the other forward position, had three points and numerous assists. Postal's 28 points rounded out the rest of the Raider scoring. Latanya Pratt, having returned to school that day after missing several because of the flu, played an outstanding game on defense Monday night for the Raiders along with other starters, Tammy Walker and Andrea Parker. The Rice JV ended their season with a win at full strength for Sweeney. Sweeney won 56 to 12. Lori Mahalite and Jackie Sims each scored four points to lead the Raider scorers. The Raider freshmen won a close ball game over Sweeney 34 to 34 to give them a 1-3 season record. The fresh jumped out to a 14 to 12 lead in the first quarter and led 20 to 16 at half. The Raiders built up their lead to 28 to 20 after the third quarter and held on to squeak by Sweeney 36 to 24 to bring their season to a close. Win Two In Edna Last Thursday night in Edna, the Raider girls kept their chances alive in the West Zone race with an easy 52-29 victory over the Edna Cowgirls. Rice got a good scoring effort from its starting forwards as each hit in double figures. Jane Dostal was high scorer for the Raiders with 22. Angel Farrow had 17 and Annette Axel contributed 13 points. Tammy Walker, Andrea Parker and Sandra Flowers turned in good play for Rice on defense holding Edna to only 29 points. Flowers was filling at the starting forward position for Latanya Pratt who was out with the flu. The Raider JV, turning in a good performance for Coach Bridges, led the Cowgirls 12-11 at half, but Edna came back to take the lead 20-15 in the third period and led 31-23 at the final buzzer to defeat the Raiders. Jackie Sims and Vickie Fry each scored six for Rice. The Raider Freshmen, with a record from a 14 point scoring performance by Sharon McGraw, defeated the Cowgirls 29-26 in the opening game at Edna Thursday. Rice led all the way, ahead 12-6 in the first quarter, 25-14 at half, 27-18 after the third and finally 38-28 to get the victory.

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