Monday Deadline For Essay, Poster Contests

Herbert Engstrom, chairman of the Colorado Soil and Water Conservation District Board, reminds students that next Monday, Jan. 15th is the dead[illegible] the annual essay and poster contest sponsored by CPL and the Colorado SWCD.

The poster contest is new to students of this county and is open to all students 12 years of age and under. Entries may be sent to the Colorado SWCD, Box 776, Columbus, Texas 78934 or delivered to the district office in the County Agriculture Bldg. not later than Jan. 15th.

Contest Topic

The topic for the essay contest is "Conservation District's Role in Tomorrow's Water." The essay must not exceed 300 words. The poster is to be on standard poster board cut to half size (approximately 22x14"). The subject of the poster contest is also "Conservation District's Role in Tomorrow's Water."

Further information may be obtained by contacting district secretary Mrs. Beckey Zajicek at 732-2773 in Columbus.

Free Pizza

Louis J. Munny, this is a ticket for a free pizza at the Eagle Lake Dairy Delite, where you get the finest foods in town including delicious pizza. Clip this out and present at the Dairy Délite for your free pizza not later than Jan. 16, 1979.

At Tenneco Safety Meet

Edward Causey, vice-president of Tenneco, Houston, left, and Dean Blackwell, Tenneco Safety Representative, right, extend congratulations to Phil [Junior] Ermis, operations safety manager at Tenneco's Chesterville plant, for arranging a successful family night safety meeting held last Wednesday night.

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Tenneco Holds Annual Family Safety Meet In Comm. Center

Employees of Tenneco's Chesterville Plant held their annual Family Night Safety Meeting in the Eagle Lake Community Center on Wednesday night of last week when the group heard Ed Causey, Jr., vice-pres., discuss the energy situation, and awards were presented to six employees with outstanding safety records.

Causey told the gathering that 1978 was a significant year for Tenneco since it was the 25th anniversary of the founding of the gas processing division.

He noted that diversification by Tenneco into other areas has helped to offset some of the financial difficulties experienced during the past year in the gas processing division.

The passage of the energy bill by Congress, a split by Tenneco into two divisions, one known as exploration and production and the other as processing and marketing also were topics discussed by the Tenneco vice-president.

"If the government would get out of the business, deregulate prices on gas and gas products, things would get back more into balance on a long-term basis," he added.

New Discoveries

He told the gathering that the company has made new discoveries in North Dakota and will build a small plant in that area; and noted that a plant will be started this year to mine soda ash in Wyoming. This plant, he said, will employ 350 persons and will be ready for operation in 1982.

While he indicated that the company will take a long look at the operation of some of its present plants as to the feasibility of continuing their operation, new plants in other areas would more than absorb any employees from plants that might have to be discontinued.

Safety Awards Presented

Guy Sutherland of Houston, operations manager for the gas processing division, noted that 1978 had a larger than usual number of accidents in plants operated by Tenneco. The Chesterville plant, although it had its first lost-time accident in 17 years in 1978, still continues to demonstrate one of the best safety records among Tenneco operations. Sutherland extended congratulations to the employees on their fine safety record and stressed the importance of working toward even greater safety.

He presented gifts of hat decals and a gift from the company to five Chesterville employees with outstanding safety records. Duane French, Arthur Rhodes and Lalo Yanez received 5-year safety awards; Jerry Fajkus, 10 years; and Charlie Braden, 15 years. He also presented a plaque to Cecil Hartsfield who did a good job as safety officer at the Chesterville plant in 1978.

Heart Film Shown

Dean Blackwell, of Houston, Tenneco's safety representative, also commended the Chesterville employees for their fine record of safety. He urged them to take CPR course when available.

Blackwell presided at the showing of an outstanding film entitled "I'm Joe's Heart". The award-winning film was produced by Reader's Digest in cooperation with the Heart Association, and demonstrated the various functions of the heart and how heart attacks are caused and can be headed off. Blackwell commented that 720,000 deaths were caused during 1978 in the United States due to heart failures.

Sammy Tise, superintendent at the Chesterville plant, also commended employees for a good safety record and noted that the plant had not even had a minor accident since Feb. of 1976, until last year when it had its first lost-time accident when David Hengst received an injury to a finger.

Tise also complimented Phil Ermis, operations safety officer at Tenneco for 1979, who made arrangements for the family night gathering and presided at the event.

Ermis introduced personnel from the Houston office including Mr. and Mrs. Causey, Mr. and Mrs. Sutherland, Mr. and Mrs. Blackwell, Mr. and Mrs. Newt Bartley, project development manager. He also introduced new employees during the past year, David Hengst, Howard Lobpries and Leonard Brod and their ladies; also retired Tenneco employees, Clyde Brown and wife, Garmer Tate and wife and Rublee Drymalla.

Other special guests were Mrs. Causey's mother, Mrs. Grace Towell and Fred R. Frnka, Headlight editor.

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Harrison Takes Rotarians On Film Trip To Egypt

Wm. H. Harrison took Eagle Lake Rotarians and guests on a film tour of Egypt at the meeting of the club on Wednesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harrison and daughters made a trip to visit the pyramids and other archeological wonders in Egypt and along the Nile River.

He told the Rotarians of interesting incidents as he showed the beautiful colored slide film.

Club president Melburn Sibley reminded Rotarians that Dist. Governor Rabbi Robert L. Kahn of Houston will make his official visit to the club on Wed., Jan. 17th.

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Rice Girl Cagers Host Columbus Fri. Night

Host Sealy On Tues., Games at 6:00 & 7:30 P.M.

The Rice High School Raider girls opened their 1979 District 20AA cage schedule on Friday night with two wins in Magnolia. On Tuesday night the junior varsity and varsity girls traveled to Brookshire for two games with Royal and won both of those games, also to put their district records at 2-0.

During the upcoming week the Raiders will be hosting Columbus for two games on [illegible] will be hosting Sealy for two games on Tuesday. Game times for both nights will be 6:00 o'clock for the JV game and 7:30 for the varsity.

Coach Reuben Wunderlich led his Rice Raiders to their first District 20AA win on Friday night in Magnolia, but it didn't come easy.

The Raiders squeaked by Magnolia by a single point, winning 48-47. Three Raiders scored in double figures to lead the Rice offense. Sharon McTear had 15, Yolanda McTear scored 12 and Phyllis Carter scored 10.

The Raider JV, coached by Paula Vallis, had an easier time gaining their first district win, as they took a 33-22 victory in Magnolia. Marie Carter was top scorer with 14 points while Joyce Clayton added 10.

Win Pair At Royal

The Raider JV girls scored a 29 to 21 win over Royal in Brookshire Tuesday night with Marie Carter scoring 12 and Mary [illegible] 12.

The Raider Varsity won their second district contest topping Royal 42 to 32 with Sandra Flowers scoring 16 and Patricia Banks 15.

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Sheridan Wins 2 Games; In Shiner Thurs.

The Sheridan Raider basketball teams returned to action this past week and won a pair of games from Schulenburg in action played at the Sheridan Gym.

The Raider girls squeaked out a win in their contest, stalling the ball the last two minutes of the game to preserve a two-point lead for a 15-13 victory. Kim Wunderlich led the Raider scorers in Thursday night's thriller with seven points. Maria Gonzales had four, and Guyla Botard and Jill Lake each had 2.

The Raider boys scored four points in the final two minutes of their contest after Schulenburg had tied the score at 33-33, and shut out the opponents to take a 37-33 win.

John Williamson scored 16 points to lead the Raider attack while Terry Saulnier added 12 and Darren Lanyon scored eight.

Next action for the Raiders, coached by Bennie Machac, will be this Thursday when they travel to Shiner for two games beginning with the girls at 4:30. The Raiders will close out their regular schedule on Jan. 16 as they return to Shiner for two games with St. Paul's, also starting at 4:30.

The Raiders will participate in a post-season tournament on January 25, 26 and 27 in Schulenburg to conclude the current season. A schedule of games for that tournament will be listed at a later date.

Coach Machac's Raiders have played seven games thus far this season. The girls' record stands at 3-4 while the boys are 4-3 on the season.

Raider fans are invited to be on hand for the remaining games this season to help support both the boys and the girls teams on to victory.

Meet the Raider JV Boys Cagers

The Rice Raider JV boys cagers for the 1978-79 season are: standing left to right: Carl Dancy, who has moved; Ernest Fields, a junior who plays as a forward; Michael Johnson, a sophomore who plays as a forward; Robert Frazier, a sophomore who plays the post position; and Russell Johnson, a junior who plays as a forward; kneeling, left to right: Justino Moreno, a sophomore who plays as guard; Kenneth Mosely, who has resigned since this photo was taken; Robert Barrios, sophomore who plays guard; and Michael Black, a sophomore who plays guard.

So far, the boys' record is 5-4 for the season. Coach Stalbaum commented, "They have competed well considering the tough schedule and the continual shuffling of the starting lineup, and I look for them to play well against district competition. Admission price to Raider games is 50c for students and $1.00 for adults. Go Raiders! - Susan Kunesha, Rice Raider Review Staff.

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** Sports **

JEFF FRNKA, Sports Editor

ELMS 8th Graders, Royal 7th Winners In Jr. Hi Tournament

The Eagle Lake Middle School [illegible] Raiders captured the championship of the ELMS Basketball Tournament held this past weekend in Eagle Lake and the ELMS seventh grade won third place in the seventh grade division to round out an excellent showing by the local teams.

The tournament, held on Friday and Saturday, fielded six eighth grade teams and seven seventh grade teams in [illegible] matched field. The tournament saw almost all games being close with several going into overtime and almost all being decided in the last few minutes.

The final results of the tournament ended with Royal winning the seventh grade division with East Bernard coming in second, Eagle Lake third and Iago winning the consolation bracket. Eagle Lake won the eighth grade division with El Campo coming in second, Garwood third, and East Bernard winning the consolation bracket.

8th Grade Results

The eighth grade Raiders played their first game Saturday morning against Garwood and defeated them 32-31 in Eagle Lake's closest game of the year. For the second game in a row, Eagle Lake was forced to come from behind for the win with Ed Thomas hitting for two of his 14 points with 10 seconds remaining on the clock.

Again good defensive effort by the Raiders brought Eagle Lake back into the game by outscoring Garwood 18-15 in the second half. Christal added 10 points and 11 rebounds with Philip Schorlemmer scoring eight and Thomas pulling down five rebounds. The win over Garwood put the Raiders into the finals against El Campo.

The Raiders got off to a slow start in the finals, finding themselves six points behind early in the first quarter. But, not losing their composure, tied the score by the end of the first quarter. Late in the first half the Raider defense turned the game around with some key steals and went into halftime leading 18-13.

In the second half the Raiders came out hot and outscored El Campo 28-7 and went on to win 46-20.

Ed Thomas led all scorers in the game with 20 points and also had 10 rebounds. Eric Christal added 18 points and seven rebounds with Philip Schorlemmer also pulling down seven rebounds and taking two crucial charging fouls which helped to spark the Raiders in the 18 point third quarter. All 12 Raiders saw action with six of them placing points on the board.

7th Grade Results

The seventh grade Raiders were scheduled to meet Sealy in the opening round of the tournament but because of some mix up, Sealy failed to show up, advancing the Raiders to the second round of competition.

In their next game the Raiders met East Bernard and lost 20-19. Delbert Jarvis scored seven and Cedric Pope had six in the Raider loss.

In the battle for third place, the Raiders met the Brazos seventh grade. In a nip and tuck battle that wasn't decided until the final moments of the game, the Raiders won 28-25. Pope was the top scorer for ELMS with 15 points.

Garwood 3rd In EL; Host Schul. Thurs.

The Garwood Raider eighth graders took third place honors in the Eagle Lake Middle School Basketball Tournament held in Eagle Lake this weekend, defeating Iago 39-36 in the third place game.

The Garwood seventh grade Raiders also participated in the tournament, playing in the seventh grade division, but lost their first two games and were eliminated from further action.

The eighth grade Raiders won a thriller in the opening round of the tournament on Friday, downing East Bernard 37-35 in overtime. Rob Johnson was top scorer for Garwood in the victory with 19 points while Dwayne Pagel added nine.

In the second round of play, the Raiders lost a heartbreaker to Eagle Lake 31-30. The Raiders, having led throughout the contest, fell behind in the final minute of play and failed to regain the lead. Johnson led scorers again with 12 points with Pagel also scoring 12.

The loss to Eagle Lake matched the Raiders against Iago for third place in the tournament. Garwood, behind 17 points by Pagel and 16 points by Johnson, came out on top 39-36 to win the third place trophy.

Garwood, who does not play a seventh grade schedule, fielded a seventh grade team for the tournament and despite little experience made an excellent showing against some tough competition.

The seventh grade Raiders opened tournament action against East Bernard and lost the game by a score of 29-23. Kenny Johnson was the top Raider scorer with 16 points. Mel Prati added six for Garwood in the loss.

In their second game, the Raiders lost to Iago 31-15. Larry Pavlu led the Raider attack with 6 points while Michael Hemhill had 5.

In Schulenburg Thurs.

Next action for coach Mike Stanaffer's Raiders will be this Thursday when they travel to Schulenburg for two games beginning at 4:30.

The girls game will start at 4:30 followed by the boys, who are now 9-2 on the season, which will start at 5:30.

Raiders 4-0 In District Play; Go To Columbus Friday Nite

Raiders Ranked No. 3 In Class AA Boys' Cage Poll

The Rice High School Raider boys picked up wins number three and four on Friday and Tuesday nights to stay on top of the District 20AA basketball race during the past week with victories over Magnolia and Royal.

Prior to Tuesday night's action the Columbus Cardinals had also managed to keep a perfect record in the league race setting up a big game for both the Cards and Raiders this Friday night when they meet in Columbus at 7:30. There will be a junior varsity contest before that contest at 6:00.

On Tuesday night the Raiders will be in Sealy for another district battle with games beginning at 6:00 and 7:30.

Rice will complete the first half of the district battle on Friday, Jan. 19 when they host Hempstead for two games at Raider Gym beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Raiders Ranked Third

Results of a recent poll rating Texas high school basketball teams was released last week and the Rice High School Raiders have been listed as the number three ranked boys' class AA team in the state.

The rankings, listed in the January 10 publication of the Houston Post, ranked Bowie, 16-0, as the top AA team in the state followed by Brownsboro, 19-0, as number two. Rice, 14-5, was third followed by Dimmitt, 11-4; and Whitehouse, 14-5.

Win 2 Over Magnolia

The Raiders picked up their third win in district play last Friday night with an easy 76-44 victory over Magnolia in Raider Gym. Lonniel Bluntson was the key player in the game for Rice pumping in 29 points and grabbing 17 rebounds. John Grammer added 25 points in the win with seven assists. Larry Haynes and Dennis Bluntson each had 10 points. As a team, the Raiders hit 51 percent from the field while hitting on 71 percent from the free throw line.

The Rice JV had an easy night defeating Magnolia in an 83-31 contest. Victor Davis and Mike Johnson each had 22 points for the Raiders with Ernest Ramirez adding 19 and Robert Barrios scoring 11.

Down Royal Tues.

Tuesday night in Raider gym, the Rice JV's had a hard time getting by Royal by a score of 36 to 35. Ernest Fields led the JV scoring with 16 and Mike Johnson netted 14.

The Raider Varsity jumped out to a 20-11 first quarter lead and went on to win handily, topping Royal 86 to 41.

Grammer was top scorer with 32 points, L. Bluntson had 18, Stephen Spanihel 14, and Larry Haynes 12.

RAIDER Basketball

Thurs., Jan. 11th:
ELMS 7th & 8th grade boys host Columbus, 5:30
ELMS 7th & 8th grade girls play in Columbus, 5:30
Garwood boys & girls host Schulenburg, 4:30
Sheridan boys & girls play in Shiner, 4:30

Fri., Jan. 12th:
Rice JV & V boys play in Columbus, 6:00
Rice JV & V girls host Columbus, 6:00
ELMS 7th & 8th grade girls in Brazos Tournament

Sat., Jan. 13th:
ELMS girls continue play in Brazos Tourney

Mon., Jan. 15th:
Rice Freshmen boys play in Columbus, 5:30

Tues., Jan. 16th:
Rice JV & V boys play in Sealy, 6:00
Rice JV & V girls host Sealy, 6:00

ELMS Wins Games With Bellville, Brazos

The Eagle Lake Middle School boys' and girls' cage teams played four games with the Bellville Brahmas on Thursday night of last week. The 7th and 8th grade girls split their games with Bellville played at the ELMS Gym while the 7th and 8th grade boys swept their two games with the Brahmas playing in Bellville. The boys also split pair of games at Brazos Monday night.

The 7th grade girls dropped their contest by a score of 19-10 with Pam Banks scoring eight points for the Raiders. The 8th grade Raiders saw a big lead disappear late in the game but held on to beat Bellville 30-18. Pam Black was the high scorer for the Raiders with five points.

Next action for the girls will be this Thursday when they travel to Columbus for two games with the Columbus 7th and 8th graders. The 7th grade contest will start at 5:30, followed by the eighth grade at 6:30.

Boys Win Both Games

In Bellville, on Thursday night, the ELMS seventh and eighth grade Raider boys swept a pair of games from the seventh and eighth grade Brahmas.

The eighth grade Raiders won their game 43-28 for their second district win. The Raiders trailed 22-13 going into the half, but with fine defense outscored Bellville 15-4 in the third quarter and went on to outscore the opponents 30-6 in the second half.

James Powell sparked the comeback with 10 second half points. Leading scorer for the night was Eric Christal with 14 points and 10 rebounds. Also, Ed Thomas scored 12 points and had 10 rebounds.

Split with Brazos Men.

On Monday night the Raider boys played two games in Wallis against the Brazos seventh and eighth grade with the Raider seventh grade losing 26-24 and the Raider eighth grade winning easily 52-32.

In a battle similar to the third place game in Eagle Lake this weekend, the seventh graders tied up in another nip and tuck battle, but this time Brazos came out on top. Cedric Pope was high scorer for the Raiders in the loss with 10 points. Terry Cunningham had nine rebounds and Stanley Powell had eight for ELMS.

The ELMS eighth graders had an easy 52-32 win over Brazos, collecting a total of 54 rebounds in the game. Christal, with 23 points and 15 rebounds, and Thomas with 15 points and 19 rebounds were the top players in the game for the Raiders.

Next action for the Raider boys in this Thursday night when they host Columbus for a seventh and eighth grade contest at the ELMS Gym, beginning at 5:30.

BOWLING

Skull Creek Mixed

The Night Stalkers with 43 wins, the Woolly Boogers with 42, the Skull Creek Lanes with 41 and What Can I Say with 40 wins are all bidding for the lead in the Skull Creek Mixed League. In the action on Jan. 2nd the Night Stalkers rolled the high team scores with a 836-2336 series. High scorer for the men was Jack Holden with a 227-555 and for the women, Margie Knippel with a 193-495.

Other top scorers were Leroy Janda 543, Lonnie Sommerlatte 204-547, Mano Graham 531, Willie Moore 528, Floyd Spenrath 520 and Ben Castillo 549.

Initial League

Webb's Electronics posted a 3067 team series to win high team series in Initial League action last Thursday night.

Webb's also tied with Larry's Phillips 66 for high team game with a 1082 series. Verlin Argo rolled the high game with a 235 for a 550 series while Mano Graham took high individual series with 596 with a high game of 204.

Other high scorers were Mike Grigar 570, Erwin Knippel 210-564, Floyd Spenrath 203-571, Daniel Becker 214-559, Jimmy Bunge 200-552, Larry Rothbauer 536, Draper Stephens 530;

Also, Tommy Tumis 526, Doyle Waldrop 202-521, Thurston Webb 520, Butch Schmidt 519, Jack Holden 518, Raymond Thomas 213-515 and Les LeBouef 503.

J.B.'s Trojans continue to lead in league action with 276.5 points. Larry's 66 is in second with 253, Altair Dryer is third with 246 followed by Webbs and Lake Motors, with 238 and 225, respectively.

Commuters League

The Handles and Sheridan Drilling are tied for the lead in the Commuters League, each with 39 wins. The Fireballs hold down second with 36 wins, Schlitz Beer is fourth with 34.

In the action Jan. 4th, Sheridan Drilling had the high team game of 780 and Fireballs posted top series of 2121. LaVerne Graham rolled the top individual series with a 187-517 and Lois Taylor posted high game of 216-514.

Wednesday Nite Trio

The Wednesday Nite Trio got back into action after a holiday layoff with bowling Jan. 3rd. There is a nip and tuck contest going on between four teams in the league with only three losses separating the four places. The Diplomates held a one game margin with 44 wins at the end of play last Wednesday. Big Mamas were second with 43 and the Outcasts and Just Don't Care are tied for third with 41 wins each. The Gutter Lovers are in fifth with 3[illegible] wins.

Big Mamas rolled the top team scores last week with a 620-1736. Leaty Heinold posted high individual game with a 189 and Betty Dierschke rolled high series with a 497.

Freshmen Win Pair Of Games

The Rice High School Freshmen boys upped their season mark to 9-3 this week with a pair of wins over Magnolia and Bellville.

On Friday night the freshmen, coached by Henry Garza, downed Magnolia 36-16 at Raider Gym. Terry Cotton led the Raiders with 12 points, Kenneth Bluntson had eight and John Dawson scored six.

On Monday night the Raiders defeated Bellville 50-34 in a single game played at Rice. Leading scorers for the Raiders were Kenneth Hemphill with 14, Bluntson with 12 and Dawson with 10.

Next action for the Raiders will be this Monday night when they go to Columbus for a single game with the Cardinal freshmen starting at 5:30 p.m.