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Lady Raiders fight way to 2nd place in Schulenburg tourney

The Moulton Kittens have done it again. But, the third period turned the tide as far as the Lady Raiders were concerned. Lakeshia Jackson tallied a field goal to give Rice a 19-18 cushion at the 7:49 mark and then the Lady Raiders hit a cold streak.

In fact, Rice did not produce a basket until Jackson scored again with 7:18 remaining in the game — a stretch of 8:21.

After Simper missed two free throws with 7:34 showing in the third quarter, the Kittens connected for the next six points of the period on buckets by Mary Kay Fishbeck, Simper and Shannon Wagner to build a 24-19 advantage.

Moulton opened its defense with a 50-29 laughter over Luling, popped La Grange 54-31 in the second round and then dumped the host Lady Horns 38-27 in the semifinals.

The Kittens, who collected their third victory in as many starts over No. 9 Rice, erased an early third quarter 19-18 deficit enroute to their 36-30 verdict over the Lady Raiders in the championship.

Finishing third in the 16-team field was Giddings, a 57-48 winner over the Lady Horns, while Bloomington pounded Hallettsville 65-46 to claim fourth.

Sealy captured the consolation title with a come from behind 55-49 overtime victory over Schulenburg Bishop Forest.

Joining Darilek and Simper on the all-tournament team were Rice's Sheryl McGrew and Yolanda Dogins, Rhonda Whitfield and Kim Cann of Bloomington, Giddings' Patricia Rivers, Raychelle Michalke of Schulenburg, Sealy's Natalya Janca and Industrial's Lanette Rossopul.

In the finals, Moulton built a 14-8 first quarter lead as Darilek carried six points only to have the Lady Raiders slice the deficit to 18-17 at intermission.



Mary Kay Fishbeck, No. 15 of Moulton, attempts to block Raider Lakeshia Jackson's shot during the championship game of the Schulenburg tournament.

Rice also trailed by seven, 31-24, at intermission in the semifinals against Giddings, but relied on McGrew's 21 points, Carter's 15 and Dogins' 12 to produce the comeback win.

Rice JVs defeat Yoakum

The Rice JV basketball team travelled to Yoakum on Tuesday, December 15, where they showed their power with a win of 67 to 51.

Leading players for the game were Brian Amos with 30 points and 12 rebounds; Scooter Davis with 9 points; Cash Coble with 8; Shawn Turner with 6; and Lloyd Jackson with 4 points, 6 rebounds and 6 assists.

The Rice JVs dominated the game from the start. At the end of the first quarter Rice was leading 14 to 11. As the game progressed, Rice inched their way to a stronger lead with the halftime score showing Rice 26-Yoakum 19. The third quarter ended with Rice 44-Yoakum 33. And, the final score of 67-51, brought the Rice Raiders to an 8-0 season.

El Campo defeated the JV team in the Columbus tournament, but it was discovered that El Campo's players were ineligible. The team had to forfeit all the games.

The JV's will journey to El Campo Tuesday, December 22, to take on the El Campo Ricebirds again.

Raiders defeated by Bobcats

Last Wednesday, December 16, the Hemphill 7th grade basketball Bobcats put together a late power surge to put away the 7th grade ELMS Raiders by a score of 25-19.

After leading through the first quarter and a half, the Raiders faltered to a three point deficit, 12-9. Through the third and most of the fourth, the Raiders stayed within a point of the lead until 2 minutes remained in the game. Then the Bobcats took control with key rebounds and second and third shots.

Leading scorers were Arlen Lemons with 5 points and 11 rebounds; Roland Hemphill, 5 and 3; Deshaun Cotton, 5 and 4; George Hernandez, 4 and 3; Michael Cerda, 2 and 3; and, Scott Garrett, 0 and 3.

The next game is at home on January 7, 1988 against Columbus as the first game of the ELMS Invitational Basketball Tournament. Have a happy Holiday Season.

8th grade boys lose to Hempstead

Upton wins \$1,000 gift certificate

The Raiders lost 35-27 to a very good Hempstead team on Wednesday, December 16. This brings their record to 3-2 for the year.

Leading the Raiders in rebounding and scoring were Jesse Scott with 19 points and 11 rebounds; Eddie Fields, 6 and 1; Robert Parker, 2 and 1; O'Neill Tillman and Adrian Farrow, 6 rebounds; Roney Carroll and Reggie Donner 1 rebound each.

Our annual ELMS Tournament will be held when we return to school on January 7, 8 and 9, 1988. Teams for the tournament will be Eagle Lake, Columbus, Needville, and Sheridan boys and girls; 7th and 8th grade. Come on out when we return to enjoy some good Jr. Hi basketball.



Monday Tom Reed, right, presented Lillie Upton with the Chamber of Commerce \$1,000 gift certificate that was the top prize in the annual S.E.L.F. promotion. At left is Dr. David Evers who \$100 because Mrs. Upton's entry blank was made at Evers' Clinic.

ket, turkey, Dorothy Nooka, Pizza King; Jane Booker, Rice Package Store, Eagle Lake, Texas cap by Madhatters; Lynda Appelt, M&M Western Store; David Smith of El Campo, Dan's Minute Shop; Whyman Penick of Cat Spring, S & W Parts Co.; Peggy Dietrich, Eagle Lake Veterinary Clinic; Elizabeth LaMont, L.J.'s Mexican Cafe; Delia Mexican Dinners for two; Viola Marsalia, Thomas Clinic, \$25; Sharon Hanna of Altair, Delta Savings of Texas; Jim Billings, Jewelry by Candy; Rene Soleda, Austin's Grocery, \$10 merchandise; The Wards of Columbus, Jose M. Ugarte, M.D.; Sharon Guthman of Lissie, The Snack Center, fashion belt; Emil Janak, Schindler L.P.G. Inc.; Kay Clippson, Rice and Ford-Mercury; Also, Owen Pfeiffer, Lake Lumber Company, Mickey Kochwelp.



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Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl this year. I want a pogo ball and some Care Bears.

Love, Lisa Valigura

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl. I have a baby brother. Please bring me a pogo ball and a Powder Soft Cabbage Patch. I am going to be in a parade. I am going to be Rudolph.

Merry Christmas!
Love, Amy Amalie Marie Kucherka

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy this year. Please bring me a remote train set and a bike. I want a new bedspread for Mom.

Love, Joe Romo

Dear Santa,
I hope that you and Mrs. Claus are fine. Please bring me a pogo stick, chalkboard, and an easel. Bring Mom some flowers and Dad some cologne. I have been making good grades.

Love, Hollie Shindler

Dear Santa,
I have been a good girl this year. Please bring me a bike and a pair of skates. I want my grandmother to have a new car.

Merry Christmas!
Love, Angela Cruz

Dear Santa,
I have been good this year. How are you? How is the North Pole? How are your reindeer doing? Santa, how is Mrs. Santa? Please bring me a new microphone. I would like for Mom to have a new car. Please bring Dad a new tractor.

Love, Dawn Schwemm

Dear Santa,
I love you! Please bring me a radio and a bike. I want a necklace for Mom. How do you get in houses?

Love, Warren Scott

Dear Santa,
I have been a good boy this year. Please bring me a scooter and a bike. Please bring some tools for my dad. I would like for Mom to have new clothes.

Love, Raul Lara III

Dear Santa,
My name is Ruth Hernandez. I live in Eagle Lake, Texas. When you come to Eagle Lake, remember me. I have been a good girl. Please bring me a Baby Heather.

Love, Ruth Hernandez

Dear Santa,
How are you? How are your elves? Would you please give me walkie-talkies and a radio for Christmas? There will be cookies on the coffee table for you.

Love, Jonathan Hruzek

Dear Santa,
I have been good. I would like for (Continued on Next Page)

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Merry Christmas

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A Christmas Poem

By Rev. Jesse E. Euresi,
pastor of Our Lady of
Perpetual Help, Our Lady of
Guadalupe Catholic Churches

This poem was given to us and we would like to share it with you. May you be inspired by it as we were.

A Christmas Poem

'T was the night before Jesus came and all through the house,
Not a creature was praying, not one in the house,
The Bibles were laid on the shelf with-out care

Away to the window I flew like a flash,
Tore open the shutters and threw up the sash:
When what to my wondering eyes should appear
But angel proclaiming that Jesus was here.

With light like the sun sending forth bright rays,
I knew in a moment this must be the day:
The light of His face made me cover my head
It was Jesus returning just like He said
And though I possessed worldly goods, wisdom and wealth
I cried when I saw Him in spite of myself.

In the Book of Life which He held in His hand
Was written the name of every saved man.
He spoke not a word as He searched for my name,
When He said "It's not here," my head hung in shame:
The people whose names had been written with love
He gathered to take to His Father above.

With those who were ready he rose without a sound
While all the rest were left standing around:
I felt to my knees, but it was too late
I had waited too long and thus sealed my fate.
Oh if I'd only been ready tonight:
In the words of this poem this meaning is clear.
The coming of Jesus is drawing near.
There's one life and when comes the last call
We'll find the Bible was true after all.

—Author Unknown

MERRY CHRISTMAS

In the warm holiday spirit of this special time of year, we'd like to send to one and all our heartiest of cheer!

As you enjoy the season wrapped with memories and mirth, carolers singing joyously, and Santa in his girlish, tinsel streamers, candy canes and ribbons on the tree, homebaked goodies, Sugarplums and all the pageantry, we wish for you a Christmas that is filled with happiness, a wealth of joy and peace and love, may you be truly blessed.

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