

Cardenas chosen Employee of Month

Refugio (Rufus) Cardenas was named Acme Brick employee of the Month for February. He was presented with a plaque for this honor April 9 for his hard work and dedication to the company. He has been with Acme since May 1990 and currently is a grog grinding operator.



The following article is reprinted from the March 26, 1992 issue of Country World magazine with this editor's note: Eleven year old Murray Miner of High River, Alberta, Canada, wrote and delivered this story at a public speaking meeting of his beef club. Subsequently it appeared in a Canadian stock magazine. It was submitted to our office by J.H. Clispson, Sr.

Ranchers are usually found where there are cattle, feeding, dehorning,

What is a Rancher?

branding, trading, roping, and doctoring. Bankers hate to see them coming, little boys admire them, Secretary of Agriculture confuses them, city people visit and don't understand them, meals wait on them, barbed wire cuts them, television glorifies them, but nothing discourages them.

They like fairs, auctions, doggies, hounds, neighbors, \$40 boots, Saturday in town, poker, good weather, fist fights and rank horses.

Ranchers don't care much for poolies, duds, government men, fix-

ing fences, screwdrivers, cold weather, lightning, dairy cows, sheep, brush or weak coffee.

They put up with relatives, worms, flies, floods, blizzards, feed salesmen, drought, bad luck and bad weather.

Today a rancher must be a salesman, animal nutritionist, vet, biologist, weather prophet and a banker's calculated risk. He handles more money than most businessmen and makes less clear profit than a paperboy. No man is so far from church yet so close to God.

No man gets as much genuine enjoyment out of carrying on his person at one time: Bull Durham, pocket knife, staples, tally card, one inch pencil, business card of at least five competing politicians (all of whom he has promised to vote for), cattle ear tags, fencing pliers, piggin string, \$1.98 cent watch, empty billfold and curry comb.

No one gets kicked, run over,

stepped on, bruised, cut up or as mad as he does in a single day's work.

He is overly optimistic in the cattle market, the 10-year-old cow that has never calved, range conditions, the hay crop and his twice renewed livestock loan.

No one is as generous, big hearted, friendly, dependable, wise or honest. And he will swap anything but his spurs, ropes or bits. He trusts his fellow man.

The rancher is the producer of meat, the hope of the future, the self-made man of today. Big business doesn't fear him. The government doesn't subsidize him. He relies on free enterprise and the hope that next year will be as good or better than last year. He doesn't cry on shoulders when hard times hit, but resolves to do better if he can. He knows that he either must survive without government or perish with it.

This is a rancher.



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Sheridan News

By Velma Kutzer

As this column is being compiled it is Monday, April 13. The hearts of our community are heavy with worry and concern for Bill Davidson. Bill is the husband of the former Linda Cousins and at this moment on a life support system at Citizens Hospital in Victoria. A state trooper for

over 23 years. Bill was shot in the neck Saturday night while on duty and left for dead beside Highway 59 between Victoria and Edna.

Linda's parents, Earl and Voydel Cousins, were taken to the hospital to be with Linda early Monday by a DPS officer from Hallettsville. The Davidsons have a son, Trey, who is a senior this year in Edna and a daughter, Kim, who is a sophomore at WCC. I pray God will surround Bill and his family with the strength they need at this time.

Carla Shields, bride elect of DeWayne Dopslauf, was honored with a bridal shower April 12 in the Fellowship Hall at the First Baptist Church. Special guests were her mother, Mrs. Carolyn Shields, sister Tracey Chatham and niece Kaelin, all of Teague. Also DeWayne's mother, Mrs. Vermita Jordan of Sheridan, his grandmother, Mrs. Herbert Lischke of New Ulm, grandmother, Mrs. Melvin Jordan of Katy and great grandmother Mrs. Lockey Girard of Sealy. The guests were served an assortment of cakes and sandwiches along with nuts, mints, punch and coffee. The gift to the couple from the hostesses was a complete set of magnolia cookware. Get well wishes are extended to Edna Mae Hammer in Citizens Hospital in Victoria. Also to Vera Tesch in a Houston hospital.

Sunrise Easter service will be held at 7 a.m. Sunday morning at the Cheatham Cemetery. Brent Pittman will present a short message followed by several hymns. This is a community service and you are invited to attend. Anyone wishing to contribute

special vocal or instrumental music may contact Pastor Brent and he will include it in the service.

The annual Older Texans Fair will be Thursday, May 7, at the Sheridan Community Center. Registration begins at 9 a.m. followed by the judging of exhibits. At 10 a.m. a program concerning Medicare Supplement Insurance will be presented. Last will be the recognition of outstanding older Texans.

A chicken fried steak lunch will be served at the cost of \$3.75 a person. Reservations must be made by May 1 by calling 409-732-2530. Anyone over 60 years of age can enter exhibits. The categories are art, baked goods, canned goods, crafts, flora culture, fresh garden produce and needlecrafts. The items must have been made of Teague. Between May 1991 and April 1992. For more information call 409-732-2530.

Guests were delighted as they tried to get the birthday boy as interested in opening his gifts as they were... but

Dillon Gertson celebrates first birthday

Master Dillon Taylor Gertson was the "little" (but excited) guest of honor at a party hosted by his parents, Ralph and Connie Gertson, on Sunday afternoon, April 12, to celebrate his first birthday (April 2nd).

Even though torrential April showers drenched the party-goers as well as the planned outdoor activities, spirits were not dampened and the party went on!

Guests were delighted as they tried to get the birthday boy as interested in opening his gifts as they were... but

big brother Ralph III came to the rescue and provided some assistance. Before refreshments were served, Dillon successfully blew out the "No. 1" candle on his choco-choo train cake with a little help from his guests. The train engine cake was decorated by family friend Penny Henke.

Joining Dillon to celebrate the milestone of his first year, in addition to his family, were: cousins, Kari and Gus Seaholm, Mindy and Rusty Moulder, Kristi and Kandi Gertson; paternal grandmothers, JoAnn Gertson; aunts and uncles, Shirley and Gus Seaholm and Becky and Billy Moulder; and neighbor-playmate Audra Marsalia. Maternal grandparents Dorothy and Sonny Breithaupt sent their love but were unable to attend due to illness.

Each youngster received a punch ball as a party favor before departing. Sister Sunny captured the day on video for Dillon to cherish the memories in the years to come.

Hutchison wins in Capital Show

The Capital Area Poultry Club held a show in Seguin, April 11. Lomny Hutchison of the Rice FFA participated with four Standard Cochins.

His white cochin hen won a first place and best of variety; the blue cochin hen also took first place and best of variety; the black cochin hen won first place, best of variety, best of breed, champion Asiatic and champion large fowl.

Lomny's black cochin cockerel won first place, reserve champion of variety, reserve champion of breed and reserve champion Asiatic. Congratulations, Lomny!

Everyone is invited to Sheridan's 9th Annual Ambulance Benefair

The Sheridan Ambulance Corps would like to invite everyone to make plans now to attend their Ninth Annual Sheridan Ambulance Benefair on Saturday, May 2, in Sheridan at the Fire and Ambulance Hall.

The Sheridan Ambulance members are seeking your help in making this another very successful event. Entries are needed for booths of all kinds, mixed volleyball teams, barbecue cook-off, arts and crafts judging competition, horseshoe pitching teams, fun runners and parade floats.

The Benefair has a great line up of entertainment starting at 11 a.m. with the group "Brazos" from Burton, Texas. The duo will do some fine picking and grinning and add a little humor to your life.

Starting at 2 p.m., Leon "Pappy" Selph will be taking center stage. This is an event you do not want to miss.

Everything is falling in place to make this another great Benefair. All proceeds from the Fair go into maintenance, insurance, and supplies for the Sheridan Community Volunteer Ambulance. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

For more information, contact Traylor Walker at 409-234-3921 (days) or 409-234-3937 (nights).

Hospital Patient List

Week ending April 13, 1992

Admissions

Eagle Lake: Lorease Priemeyer, Edward Priemeyer, Beaulah Tyler, Idonva Moore, Dorothy Breithaupt, George Stovall; Louise: James Hogan; Wallis: Ben Coufal; East Bernard: Jon Alford; Wharton: Krushall baby boy; Garwood: Robert Pratt; Altair: Walter Lowe; Columbus: Johnnie Woodard.

Eagle Lake: Grover Smith, Alma Rios & Baby Boy, Annie Richter, Jodie Clayton; Arleta McIlmsey; Garwood: Navidad Morieda; East Bernard: Ragan Baby Boy, Sidney Toellner; Wharton: Alice Montalvo; Rock Island: Brenda Vandgarde & Baby Girl; Brookshire: Cipriana DeLana; Columbus: Carroll Marshall, Herbert Schwander, Irvin Janik, Charles Daniels, Tammy Bates; Cat Spring: Florence Surovac.

More... SPORTS

Special Olympians compete in San Marcos

Seven athletes representing the Rice Raider Special Olympic team traveled to Southwest Texas University in San Marcos to compete in Area 13 summer games.

The Rice team joined 33 other teams to compete in one of the areas of powerlifting, gymnastics, tennis, equestrian and track and field. The Rice coaches were Veronica Fields, Jerry Perrino, Debbie Floyd and Judy

Pustejovsky. In addition to the competition, the athletes attended opening and closing ceremonies, Olympic town and a dance.

The Rice team now looks forward to competing at an invitational track and field meet to be held, April 25, at Stroman High School in Victoria. The results of the Rice athletes in the track and field competition:

50m dash: Socorro Cano, 2nd; 100m dash: Misty McCloud, 1st; 100m walk: Rex McCloud, 1st; 200m dash: Edwag Holloway, 2nd; 400m dash: Larry Morgan, 1st; High jump: Morgan, 1st; Holway, 2nd; Sidney Lira, 3rd. Softball throw: R. McCloud, 1st; Cano, 2nd; M. McCloud, 4th. Shot put: Doyle Holland, 4th.

Over 325 in Lions Fun Run, Bike Ride

Saturday, April 11, with beautiful weather assisting, the Lions Club Wildseed Fun Run and Bike Ride took place. Over 325 runners and riders participated in the events.

The day began at 6:30 a.m. with the Lions registering the entering runners and riders. The entire day's events ran smoothly under the direction of Lions Charles Abel and Dan Canalis.

Participants were pleased with the run and bike ride. There were many favorable comments made on the way it was run and the beautiful location. The bike ride was just for pleasure so there were no times or winners in this event.

Winning categories of the fun run

were Men's and women's with five age groups in each. Awards were given for first, second and third in each age group of men and women.

Winners in men's categories Age 12 and under: 1st-Nicholas Teague, 2nd-Robert Swanson, 3rd-Spencer Thigpen; for 13 through 19: Tim Teague-1st, no other places given; for age 20 through 29: 1st-Johnny Koenig, 2nd-Frank Hughes and 3rd-Jack Sanders. Men, ages 30 through 39: 1st-Steve Dellette, 2nd-Greg Lundgren, 3rd-Stephen Parker; age 40 through 49: 1st-Ronald Dupier, 2nd-John Hunter, 3rd-Robert Barnhill; 50 and over: 1st-Donald Brenner, 2nd-Dan Dodson and 3rd-

Carl Olson. Overall winner for the men was Chuck Hull with a time of 16:30.

Winners in women's categories Age 12 and under: 1st-Melanie Mayo, 2nd-Rachelle Teague; for 13 through 19: 1st-Kate Weller, 2nd-Lana Hutchinson; for age 20 through 29: 1st-Sharon Fredrickson, 2nd-Jacqueline Marlow, 3rd-Julie Phillips. Women, ages 30 through 39: 1st-Gail Sabagha, 2nd-Melanie Henderson, 3rd-Beverly Sobolo; age 40 through 49: 1st-Lynn Trafant, 2nd-Linda Barnhill, 3rd-Sue Snyder; 50 and over: 1st-Betty Brenner.

Overall winner for the women was Brenda Lauten with a time of 20:00.

SPORTS

Three Raider tracksters qualify for regionals

The Rice Raiders finished fourth in the team totals at the District 20AAA track meet in Bellville.

Leading the way for the Raiders were Kevin Jackson, who finished second in the 400m, Eddie Fields, second in high jump, and Reggie Donner, first in shot put.

Their places qualify the three Raiders for the regional competition, May 1 and 2, at Blinn College in Brenham.

In the JV division, the Rice team finished second, being edged out by La Grange for the championship.

Varsity Results:

400m relay: Kerry Sims, Arlen

Lemons, Ernest Sims, Donner, third, 44.44.

800m relay: John Carey, sixth, 2:07.93.

1600m relay: Jackson, Carey, Lemons, Fields, third, 3:31.56.

100m dash: Donner, fourth, 10.99.

400m dash: Jackson, second, 51.15; Fields, sixth, 53.61.

High jump: Fields, second, 6' 6". Shot put: Donner, second, 49' 10 1/4".

4" Jerome Haynes, fourth, 46' 8 1/4". Discus: Donner, fifth, 127' 3".

Varsity team team scores:

Bellville 168

Sealy 140

La Grange 85

Rice 62

Columbus 48

Brookshire 38

JV Results:

400m relay: Travis Polach, David Godley, Aaron Machac, Ragan Stienke, third, 1:14.68.

1600m relay: Polach, Shawn Hurd, Derrick Jones, Brandon Cunningham, third, 3:56.12.

100m dash: Stienke, third, 11.76.

200m dash: Stienke, second, 24.26; Polach, fifth, 25.13.

400m dash: Cunningham, fourth, 57.40; Hurd, fifth, 58.15.

800m run: D. Jones, third, 2:25.04;

Ramon Zarate, fourth, 2:26.66.

1600m run: Adam Leal, sixth, 5:24.13.

3200m run: Leal, third, 11:46.89.

110m hurdles: Andres Cruz, second, 17.53.

300m hurdles: Tim Jones, third, 44.89; Cruz, fifth, 45.45.

High jump: Darian Barrows, fifth, 5' 2".

Long jump: Polach, third, 18' 11 1/2"; Godley, fourth, 18' 11".

Triple jump: Barrows, fourth, 37' 2 3/4".

Shot put: Shawn McClain, first, 40' 11 1/2"; Hurd, 37' 6".

Discus: Machac, second, 117' 11"; McClain, third, 112' 5"; Hurd, fourth, 109' 8".

JV team scores:

La Grange 142

Rice 127

Brookshire 119

Columbus 97

Jackson throws 13 Ks...

Rice Raiders shut out Columbus

Kevin Jackson struck out 13 Cardinal hitters and Ragan Stienke keyed a seven run second inning with an RBI single to lead Rice to a 8-0 thrashing of rival Columbus.

Jackson pitched his first shutout of the season, going seven innings and allowing only five hits. Jackson lowered his ERA to 1.62 with this fine pitching performance.

Stienke keyed the Raider seven run inning by driving home Jackson with two outs. Jackson walked to open the inning, was sacrificed to second base by Ernest Sims and advanced to third base on Will Adams' groundout.

Following a stolen base by Stienke and a walk to Shane Laake, Kerry Sims doubled to left field to drive in the second Raider run of the inning.

A walk to Norman Boatard loaded the bases and Raymond Ford delivered a single to right to drive home Laake and K. Sims and advance Boatard to third. Ford stole second and Aaron Machac's infield hit scored Boatard.

After Machac stole second,

Jackson doubled to right center to tally Ford and Machac for the final two runs of the inning.

In the fourth inning, Ford singled and stole second with two outs. He scored the Raiders' final run of the game when the Cardinal third baseman's throw to first on Machac's grounder got by the first baseman.

Leading hitters for the Rice Raiders were Ford 2-3, 2 RBI; Machac 2-4, 2B; Jackson 1-3, 2 RBI, 2B; Stienke 1-3; K. Sims 1-4, 2B.

Winning pitcher was Kevin Jackson (5-2).

SCORING BY INNINGS

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The Rice varsity baseball team now stands at 8-3 for the season and 2-0 in district.

District Standings as of April 13:

Team District Season

Bellville 2-0 13-1

Rice 2-0 8-3

Lady Raiders are fourth at district track meet

This past weekend the Lady Raiders competed in the district track meet in Bellville. The Rice High girls placed fourth in the meet with a good showing in individual scores.

Two Lady Raiders qualified for the regional meet. Shea McClanahan took the 300m hurdles. Melissa Guthman won the 200m dash and triple jump. The regional competition will be held at Blinn college, May 2, in Brenham.

17.09; Benge, fifth, 17.15.

300m hurdles: S. McClanahan, second, 49.17.

100m dash: Sattiewhite, fifth, 13.45.

200m dash: Guthman, second, 26.60; Tillman, fifth, 27.68.

Long jump: Guthman, third, 15' 9".

Triple jump: Guthman, first, 34' 5"; S. McClanahan, third, 32' 9".

Raider JV drops the ball against Columbus

The Rice JV baseball team dropped to 1-1 in district play when they fell to Columbus 10-5, Tuesday, April 9, at Rice High School.

They now stand at 2-6-2 for the season.

Greg Garcia pitched very well

throwing a four hitter, but could not get much help defensively as the team committed eight errors.

The Raider JV was scheduled to play Brookshire-Royal, April 14, at Rice High School.

Travis Polach went one for three with two RBIs, while Garcia, Derrick Jones, Brad Gohlke and Neil Brosche all had singles.

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Rice 0 4 0 0 1 5 5 8

Rice JV pitcher was Greg Garcia (0-4).

Raider golf team places fifth in district meet

The Rice High School golf team competed in the district meet with five other teams to end up in fifth place.

Due to the low number of girl participants, Leslie Center and Theresa Adkins competed as medalist entries.

The district golf tournament was to conclude April 13 with the boys playing at La Grange and the girls in Sealy.

Team ranking:

1st Sealy 307

2nd Bellville 320

3rd Columbus 324

4th La Grange 330

5th Rice 342

6th Brookshire-Royal 353

Boys individual scores:

Todd Mascheck 39+40=79

John Carey 41+43=84

Neil Brosche 46+43=89

Aaron Machac 47+43=90

Shane Clauser 64+50=114

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