This Week's Action!

Date	Team & Time	Place
Feb. 13-15	Girls basketball bi-district game, TBA	
Friday, Feb. 14	Raider boys basketball vs. Bellville*, 5 p.m.	Here
Feb. 17-18	Girls basketball area game, TBA	
Feb. 20-22	Boys bi-district basketball game, TBA	
Feb. 22	Girls basketball regional playoff, TBA	
Feb. 24-25	Boys area basketball game, TBA	

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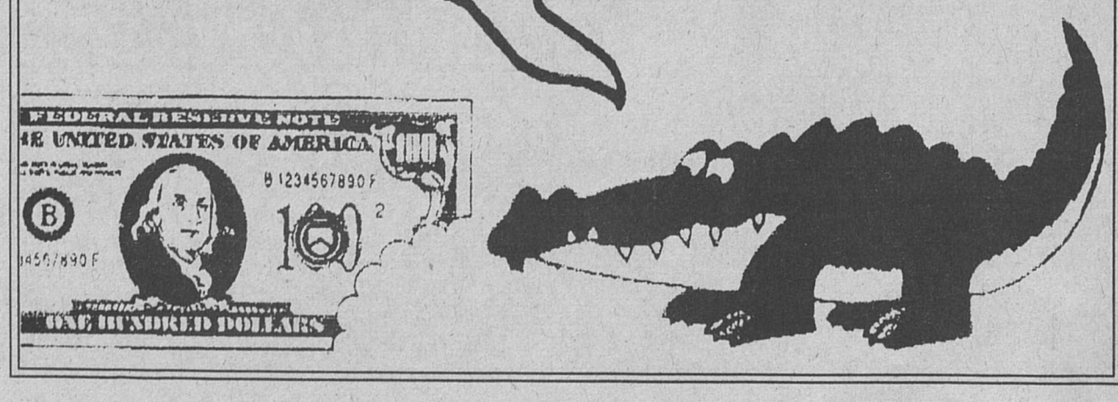

SPORTS

Raiders trap Bobcats, brand Brahmas

The Rice Raiders boys basketball team won two huge games this week to keep their playoff hopes alive.

On Tuesday, Feb. 4, the Raiders went to Hempstead, trapping the Bobcats 94-90.

And, Friday, Feb. 7, on their home court, they branded the Hallettsville Brahmas, 89-66.

Against Hempstead, the Raiders jumped out to a 19 point first half lead and then survived a furious Bobcat rally to defeat Hempstead 94-90 at Hempstead.

Leading the way for the Raiders were Willie Cleveland with 30 , Josh Godley with 25, Pete Rangel with 16 and Clint Gertson with 10.

Also contributing to the Raider cause were Warren Scott with six, Kenny Pipkins with four and Lance Grigar with three.

The game Tuesday night was a game of two halves. The first won convincingly by the Raiders and the second won by the Bobcats.

Thankfully, the Raiders had built a large enough lead to withstand the Bobcat rally and pull out the victory.

The key to this game, according to the coach, was "we hit some key free throws down the stretch (Willie Cleveland) and got some great shot blocks (Clint Gertson) when we had to have them."

Scoring by Quarters

Team	1	2	3	4	Total
Rice	20	32	22	20	94
Hemp.	17	16	34	23	90

On Friday night, the Hallettsville Brahmas came to Rice and the Raiders got all over them, winning 89-66.

Leading the way for the very balanced Raider attack were Cleveland with 19, Gertson with 16, Pipkins and Godley with 15 each and Rangel with 11.

Also aiding the Raiders were Rocky Banks with eight, Scott with three and Grigar with two.

The Brahmas kept the game close until the fourth quarter, when the Raiders positively man-handled and out-ran the Brahmas.

With this victory, the Raiders move to 17-11 overall and 3-5 in district.

The Raiders have a chance at a playoff berth by defeating both La Grange and Bellville this week. They also will need help... Bellville needs to lose Tuesday night against Hallettsville.

However things turn out the basketball teams and coaches wish to express their gratitude for the support given them all year and hope for continued support this week as both games will be played at Rice.

Scoring by Quarters

Team	1	2	3	4	Total
Rice	20	19	20	30	89
Hallets.	19	12	20	15	66

Rice powerlifters compete in Brahma meet

The Rice boys traveled to the East Bernard Powerlifting meet on Saturday, Feb. 8, and came away with many personal bests.

Leading the way for the Raiders were Brian Ford with a third place and Lance Grigar, Rocky Banks and Maison Pratt with fourths.

The next meet for the boys and girls teams will be the Rice Raider Powerlifting Meet on Thursday, Feb. 20.

Lifting begins at 4 p.m. in the high school gym.

Come out and support the Rice powerlifters at their home meet.

East Bernard
Boys

Name	Wt. Class	Squat	Bench	Deadlift	Total	Place
Lance Grigar	123	240	145	280	665	4th
Shaun Johnson	165	340	230	415	985	
Leon Taylor-Davis	165	345	205	425	975	
Rocky Banks	165	385	220	420	1025	4th
Masion Pratt	181	360	250	425	1035	4th
Jeremy Gohlke	181	330	245	430	1005	
Brian Ford	SHW	440	325	450	1215	3rd

8th grade Raiders close season

The Raider 8th grade boys finished off the hoops season losing to Hallettsville and Columbus.

The B team lost to Hallettsville by the score of 31-14.

Adrian Flores led the scoring with five points, Cliff Keith and Daniel Hernandez had three each, Gus Seaholm two and Adam Baird one.

The A team played a very good first half, only down 19-15 at halftime.

But, the Brahmas stampeded to a victory in the second half, winning 50-27.

Edwin Holloway led the scoring for Rice with nine points, Lonnie Sims, Chaston Thomas, Danny Buitrago and Anthony Salinas each had four, and Robert Moreida had two.

The B team played a competitive game at Columbus.

It was close throughout, as Columbus escaped with a 21-19 victory.

John Rucka led the scoring with nine points, Kurt Coldeway had four, Mark Contreras, three, and Keith, two.

The A team lost what was a close first half matchup 45-23.

Sims led the scoring with seven points, Holloway had six, Buitrago got four, and Salinas, Paul Valles and Thomas added two each.

Churches discuss concordat

As part of their Lenten discipline this year, three local congregations will meet five Wednesdays, beginning Feb. 19 to discuss the forthcoming Concordat of Intercommunion between the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America and the Episcopal Church to be voted on this summer by both bodies.

Following the format established last year at Christs Church, the congregations will meet for a light Lenten meal at 6 p.m. at Didner Hall at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church on Stevenson Street in Eagle Lake, where the Parish of the Nativity will host the event. Catholics will take part in the talks as well.

Pastor Eddie Winkler of the Parish of the Nativity will join the Rev. Russ Minter of Christ Episcopal Church and the Rev. Bob Schlortt of Grace Lutheran Church leading the discussions.

Everyone in the community is welcome.

Band

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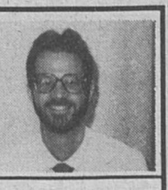
Name	Grade	Event	Title/Composer	Rating
Chris Rodriguez	8	trombone solo	Greensleeves, Traditional	I
Barbara Cooper	8	baritone solo	Turkish March, Beethoven	I
Kimberly Denley	7	baritone solo	Bouree, Handel	I
Abraham Diaz	8	tuba solo	Russion Medley, Bell	I
Jerry Cleveland	7	percussion solo	Solo #9, Back/Feldstein	I
Janna Janish	7	piano solo	Sonatina No. 1, Clementi	I
Mixed clarinet quartet			To A Wild Rose, MacDowell/Floyd	I
Rebecca Lopez, 7; Jessica Thomas, 8; Stephanie Sommerlatte, 7; Deandra Wesemann, 7				
Mixed clarinet quartet			To A Wild Rose, MacDowell/Floyd	I
Jamie Christ, 8; Misty Morales, 8; Selena Sykowski, 7; Jessica Thomas, 7				
Clarinet quartet			Come, Thou Almighty King	I
LaKeisha Dawson, 7; Heather Munoz, 7; Tiffany Stern, 7;				
Trumpet quartet			Theme from the 9th Symphony, Beethoven	I
Koehl Cranek, 7; Ben Ortiz, 8; Ronnie Vasquez, 7; Bernardo Vasquez, 7				
Brass sextet			March Romaine, Ground	I
Johana Lopez, 7; Rhonda Peroni, 7; Chris Rodriquez, 8; Anthony Salinas, 8; Chaston Thomas, 8; Kayce Wilkerson, 7				
Brass sextet			March Romaine, Ground	I
Isam Brisco, 8; Kimberly Denley, 7; Abraham Diaz, 8; Eric Kasper, 8; Amanda Labay, 7; Kolt Miller, 7				
Courtney Sims	8	flute solo	Sonatina, Diabelli	II
Fatima Hernandez	7	flute solo	Turkish March, Beethoven	II
Sonia Vasquez	7	flute solo	Turkish March, Beethoven	II
Tiffany Stern	7	clarinet solo	Minuetto, Hovey/Leonard	II
Jacqueline Thomas	7	French horn solo	Morning Song, Gurlitt	II
Lisa Hoelsher	7	baritone solo	Theme from Fireworks, Handel	II
Andrew Powers	8	percussion solo	Express Lane, Pearson	II
Flute quartet			Chorale	II
Jennifer Biaselli, 7; Amy Ellis, 8; Jessica Lares, 7				
Misc. woodwind ensemble			At An Old Tristan Place	II
Tiffany Moore, 8; Kristi Moore, 8; Tiffany Perry, 8; Keandra Sanford, 7; LaKeish Utley, 7				
Saxophone quartet			Steal Away, Cailliet	II
Kurt Coldeway, 7; Chris Galvan, 7; Erica Garcia, 7; Corissa Mathis, 7				
Saxophone quartet			You Were There, Cailliet	II
Samantha Bluntson, 7; Kurt Coldeway, 7; Mark Contreras, 7; Maria Najera, 7				
Brass quartet			March of the Men of Harlech, Welsh	II
Justin Johnson, 8; Jacob Little, 8; Tanika Scott, 8; Keishae Sewell, 8				
Ashley Pavlicek	8	flute solo	Turkish March, Beethoven	III
LaKeisha Johnson	8	horn solo	Morning Song, Gurlitt	III
Jaime Hutchison	7	baritone solo	Theme from the Royal Fireworks, Handel	III
NaKeshia Parker	8	baritone solo	Theme from the Royal Fireworks, Handel	III
Bennie Glover	7	tuba solo	The TubaMan, Bell	III
Jeffrey Kazmir	8	tuba solo	The TubaMan, Bell	III
Marshall Peck	7	percussion solo	Multiple Percussion Solo, Pearson	III

Foot Facts



By Dr. Eric R. Tepper, Podiatrist

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It can be tempting. A hard patch of dried skin forms on the bottom of your foot, or a thick lump perches on top of a toe knuckle, and you think, "I can just shave a bit of it off myself." So out comes the razor, and — OUCH! Countless visits to the podiatrist's office every year are brought about by misguided bathroom surgery. There are many problems with do-it-yourself foot excisions. Different kinds of growth (corns, calluses, warts, bunions, etc.) can be easily mistaken for one another, so that what seems to be a patch of perfectly dead, thickened skin may actually be a highly sensitive growth requiring professional treatment. Even more important, though, is that trying to do your own shaving or cutting puts both the growth and healthy tissue at extreme risk, with the common result being painful wounds and infection. Use of caustic over-the-counter chemical products carry similar dangers.

Self-diagnosis and bathroom surgery may not always be in your own best interest. Whatever problems your feet encounter, attend to them while they are still in their minor stages. It's much better, easier, and less costly to deal with problems early on than to face major treatment at a later date. Remember, foot problems usually don't disappear on their own. For an appointment, please call us at 234-5571, at Rice District Community Hospital. I am there every Tuesday.

P.S. Calluses on the balls of the foot may be a sign of a weight-distribution problem, calling for orthotics (prescription shoe inserts).

Colorado County farmer's market is outlet for veggies

If you are looking for a project to start the new year, why not consider gardening, Americans favorite pastime.

Besides producing vegetables for your own family's enjoyment, excess vegetables may be marketed through the Farmer's Market Association, allowing other consumers an opportunity to enjoy fresh vegetables as well.

The Colorado County Farmer's Market Association encourages vegetable production and invites you to become a member in the association. Membership dues, which normally run $30 per year, have been reduced to $15 for the 1997-98 year which runs from May 1, 1997 to April 30, 1998.

The market is open on a year round basis on Wednesday and Saturday.

Most market activity occurs during both the spring and fall gardening season when members have good to sell.

Members are followed to sell vegetables, farm products, baked goods, canned goods, handicrafts and potted plants only.

They must have been grown in Colorado, Lavaca, Fayette, Austin and Wharton Counties. Products purchased from wholesalers or other growers who are not members of the association are specifically excluded.

The Colorado County Texas Agricultural Extension Service officer serves as an advisor to the association.

Additional information, including rules and regulations plus membership application forms may be obtained at the Extension office located at 316 Spring Street in Columbus; phone 409-732-2082.

Did You Know...

•Cider is the fermented, or partially fermented, juice of apples.

•The only major diamond field in North American lies near Mufreesboro, Arkansas.