

“D.C kids” drawing winners announced

Eagle Lake Middle School students participating in the Washington, D.C., trip held a drawing Saturday, April 12, during the Attwater's Prairie Chicken Festival.

For the 5 p.m. drawing at the Eagle Lake Community Center, Deborah Reed drew and announced each winning ticket as listed below:

10-X fishing shirt, donated by Johnny's Sport Shop, Ed Harborth; car first aid kit, donated by S&W Parts, Kevin Schmidt; \$25 gift certificate to merchant of winner's choice, A&L Body Shop, Billy and Denise

Cook; two pies of your choice, Orde's Grill in Rock Island, Joe Duncan; 42 piece socket set, Lake Lumber Company, Ann Pavliska;

Also, \$20 gift certificate to merchant of winner's choice, Schaeffer's Oil Co. and Roy H. Crane, Joseph Wilkerson; two large chicken fried steak dinners, Dairy Queen, W. Hill; assortment of hair products, The Diplomaté, Carolyn Baird; two free video rentals, Video Etc., Ken Griesemer; grease, oil & filter for car or light truck, Meitzen Oil Co., Erin Gold; two #1 dinners, Taco Tony's, Ramona An-

del; assortment of hair products, Tresser's Inc., Edith Drlik; \$25 gift certificate, IGA Foods, Mike Watz;

Also, handmade pot holders, Lee & Deborah Politsch, Steve Balas; three free video rentals, Videos 2 Go, Patsy Mrkwa; decorative candle in basket, Matters of the Heart, Connie Webb; stainless steel cutlery set, Eagle Lake Drugstore, Annette Fajkus; dinner for two, Blue Plate Cafe, Cambrey Sykowski; dinner for two, Blue Plate Cafe, Rhonda Prazak; green and gold lamp, Furniture Shoppe, Ron Holland;

Also, watering can floral arrangement, This Old House, Belinda Harris; 1992 uncirculated coin set, Wallis State Bank, Jeanette Zajicek; \$25 gas certificate, Dan's, Vicki Frevola; two beef & sausage plates, Austin's BBQ & Catering, Henneke Funeral Home; 35mm Smart Shot camera, J&K's Corner, Albert Tomchesson;

And last, but not least, a \$255 gift certificate to Eagle Lake merchant of winner's choice: Hamilton Pest Control, Super Strutters-Becky Moulder, Lake Motors, Eagle Lake Rice Dryer, TEC Minerals, McCreary Auction

Co. and an anonymous donor, won by Jaki Johnson.

The drawing was a huge success and would not have been possible without the support of all those who

donated items and bought drawing tickets.

Thank you to everyone who participated.

Bible Verse of the Week

“Depart from evil, and do good seek peace, and pursue it.”

— Psalms 34:14

Submitted by Neddy Phillips

RAIDER REVIEW

Meet the Lady Raider

By Kelli Matthys

The Lady Raider softball second and third base player is in the spotlight this week. Wearing jersey #11, Christie Crane plays hard for her team.

Christie feels that since its the first year Rice has had softball, no one can expect much, but the team is picking up slowly.

Everyone is trying their best. She also thinks that if it would ever stop raining, the team could get on their field and practice.

They also need to work on strategy plays.

Christie said, “It will get better in the future with everyone learning this first year. It'll be different once everyone gets the hang of things.”

Christie is also involved in volleyball and FCA. She likes to go out with her friends on the weekends.

She is the daughter of Gary (Bodock) and Marla Crane of Garwood.



NHS holds inductions

By Carrie Engstrom

The Rice National Honor Society (NHS) held its annual banquet and induction on April 7 at 7:30 p.m.

Sunny Gertson, president, led the banquet.

Newly inducted into NHS were: Rebal Canaris, Valerie Galvan, Ralph Gertson, Lori Grigar, Amalie Kuch-erka, Laine Labay, Angela Leopold, Susana Silva, Barrett Thomas, Lisa Valigura, Bo Vavrusa and Danielle Witte.

The old members are: Josh Allen, Bridget Baird, Jessica Briscoe, Jonathan Burrow, Carrie Engstrom, Timothy Galvan-Jasek, Sunny Gertson, Jennifer Hajovsky, Jennifer Krenak, Sara Mann, Timothy Powers, Robyn Rucka, Marcie Till and Amanda Weishuhn.

The 1996-97 officers are Sunny Gertson, president; Timothy Powers, vice-president; Carrie Engstrom, secretary; and Sara Mann, reporter. Mrs.

Jane Clipson is the NHS advisor.

Congratulations to all old and new members for being a part of the Rice NHS.

Who's Zat?

By Christie Crane

Can you guess who this smiling cutie is?

Well, the only clue given is that he is a freshmen.

We asked around and James Bacon, Shara Glaizer and Tiffany Wilkerson had no clue.

Jeff Grasshoff took a quick guess and said Clint Korenek.

Clint Leopold thought it was Cody Crane.

Brent Schneider, Clint Gertson, Neal Mahalic and Cody Cerny just smiled and knew it looked just like Brett Boenisch.

Brett is the son of Mark and Cynthia Boenisch. He is involved in football, baseball and FFA.

Meet the Raider

By Risa Waddell

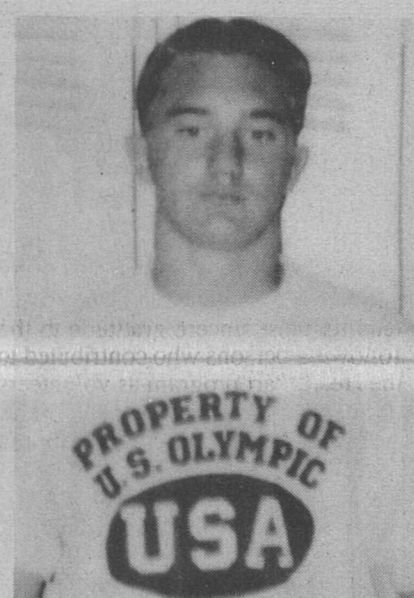
This week's star player is junior Jeremy Gohlke. Wearing jersey #4, he catches for the Rice Raider baseball team.

Jeremy feels the team has a lot of potential in their athletes, but unfortunately, they just haven't put it all together as a team. The team is respected for their hard work and dedication, even though the scores don't reflect it.

He hopes the season will have a stronger finish after a slow start.

Jeremy enjoys lifting weights and going out with his friends.

He is the son of David and Cynthia Gohlke of Sheridan.



One act play wins district

By Jenny Hajovsky

This season, Rice High School students have been working very diligently on a play for UIL One Act District contest, held March 27 in Bellville.

The play, “I Never Saw Another Butterfly”, told the story of a young

girl during the Holocaust.

Members of the cast were Sara Mann, Robin Shavers, Ann Capps, Nerissa Brisco, Namita Verma, Valerie Galvan, Susana Silva, Doug Volkmmer, Chrissy Leopold and Robby Goode.

The crew consisted of Jessica Briscoe, Jonathan Burrow, Maria Hernandez and Amy Fearing.

The play was directed by Mrs. Robbin Clipson.

Everyone's hard work and dedication shined through at the District Meet in Bellville. The play took home first place.

Sara Mann was Best Actress in 22 3-A and Valerie Galvan and Nerissa Brisco made the All Star Cast.

On April 3, the cast and crew ad-

vanced to the area competition held in Caldwell.

Here, Valerie Galvan and Sara Mann made the All Star Cast and Robby Goode and Susana Silva made Honorable Mention, All Star Cast.

Mrs. Clipson was very pleased with this year's season.

She commented, “This particular play brought out a special dignity in everyone who touched it, and I don't think any of the participants will ever be the same.”

“As a director, it was an honor for me to work with such high caliber students.”

Congratulations to the cast and crew of “I Never Saw Another Butterfly” and good luck next season.

Prom 1997: ‘Always & Forever’

By Stephanie Thompson

Get ready to party, because love is in the air! The Rice High School Junior Class now presents “Always and Forever” as their prom theme.

This year the prom will be held at the Stafford Opera House in Columbus on Saturday, April 26, from 8 p.m. to 12 a.m.

A DJ will be provided for the prom, playing a wide variety of music.

The juniors and seniors are allowed to bring one person (under the age of 21) as their date.

Pictures will be taken by Jodi & Company.

Anyone who is planning to take pictures is asked to be prepared and have their picture form and money with them.

The decorations for prom range from roses to candlelight to lace screens to columns. The prom colors are red, black and gold.

Anybody interested in helping the decorating committee can contact one of the junior class officers: J.P. (Jonathan Pope), Jonathan Burrow, Risa Waddell or Stephanie Thompson.

Most of the work will be done during prom week.

Extra decorations are also needed such as silk roses, garland and greenery, white Christmas lights, extension cords of any size and two 3-4 color multi-lights. All of the borrowed items will be returned to the owners after the prom.

The junior class is also looking for some volunteers to bring finger foods such as dips, chips, cookies, etc.

Anyone interested in helping can contact Mrs. Wied at the school and she will let you know when to bring the supplies or refreshments.

Your support would be greatly appreciated.



School calendar of events

April 21: Texas Battle Enactment at ELMS

April 23: Joe Scruggs at ELPS

April 24: FFA Banquet

April 26: Prom, Stafford Opera House

May 5: Band Banquet and Cinco de Mayo

May 8: Athletic Banquet

May 19: Band Concert

May 22: Academic Awards Banquet

May 29: Graduation

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Approval of prescription medicines in the United States is expensive and time-consuming. Medicines approved in 1994 and 1995 took an average of 7 years to develop. The average time it now takes for the approval of such medicines by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) ranges from 18 to 19 months. Fast track approval of priority medicines, such as those needed for the treatment of AIDS, may take less than a year. Pharmaceutical companies spend an average of \$359 million to get one new medicine from their laboratories to the shelves of pharmacies.

Preclinical and clinical studies: Preclinical studies involve test animals. Approval of an investigational new drug application allows the company to begin tests in humans. Phase I studies evaluate the absorption, excretion, and safety of the drug. Phase II and III studies examine the effectiveness of the drug and adverse drug effects.

New drug application (NDA): The company must submit all the data it has collected to the FDA.

Final approval: If a medicine is approved, the company can begin manufacturing, distributing and marketing the drug. Sometimes the FDA will require additional studies (Phase IV) to evaluate long-term effects of the drug.

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