

This Week's Action!



| Date | Team & Time | Place |
|----------------|---|-------|
| Friday, May 2 | Baseball varsity vs. Hempstead*, Here, 7 p.m. | |
| Tuesday, May 6 | Baseball varsity at Hallettsville*, 7 p.m. | |
| May 6-10 | State golf meet, Austin | |

*district competition

23-AAA All-District Softball team chosen

The Academic All-District 23-AAA team was recently chosen for girls fast-pitch softball. Named to the team were Bridget Baird, a senior, who played second base and outfield; Senior Nikki Chamberlain who

was a pitcher and played in the outfield. Nikki also received honorable (See Softball, Page 10)

Honors

She is a member of Drama Club, One-Act-Play, National Honor Society and participates in UIL Prose and Persuasive Speaking.

Sara enjoys dancing, spending time with her friends and going to church.

Her parents are her role models because they have strong beliefs and stick to them.

Sara's most memorable moments are winning One-Act-Play with all her "big" friends in Sept. of 1996 and summer road trips.



Bridget Baird, the daughter of David and Carolyn Baird of Eagle Lake, plans to become a veterinarian and a successful wife and mother.

She plans to attend Blinn College in Bryan for a year, then transfer to Texas A&M to major in biomedical science. Following this, she plans to enter the Veterinary Medicine Department at A&M.

Bridget plays volleyball, basketball, golf and softball. She is a member of FFA, Ag Mechanics team, National Honor Society, Student Council Sergeant-at-Arms and FCA.

She enjoys playing all sports, hanging out with her friends and relaxing.

Her role models are her parents, because of their dedication to her, her uncle, Wayne, has always reminded her how important it is to have fun.

Her most memorable moments are proms, parties, trips to Cattleman's, catin' around, being a member of the Nova Crew and all the laughs she's

"Exuberance is beauty."
— William Blake

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Lady Raiders fast-pitch softball wraps up

The inaugural season of the Lady Raiders softball ended the way it began, on a cold, blustery day. Instead of late Feb., though, it was April 12, and the players and fans hoped for something a little more seasonal.

In a season filled with the frustrations of playing each game on the road or in the rain, or both, the Rice soft-

ballers learned quickly not to expect the best conditions or outcomes.

Each of the last four contests showed continued improvement that only experience under fire can produce. So, the bright spots of the season appeared every way but statistically.

The week of April 7-12 proved to be a softball marathon with the Ladies feeling like the soles of their competitor's shoes. While their gloves showed marked improvement from the early part of the season, their bats stayed strangely silent.

As with their pitching woes, the lack of experience showed in run production against the faster, more accurate pitchers of established teams.

The end result of the rain-forced, four game week was an 0-4 record and a disappointing, frustrating 0-12 record for their first season.

Hats off to the members of the squad who persevered when it would have been much easier to quit and spend the time on one of the other three spring sports.

Congratulations to these athletes for their dedication and obvious class: Bridget Baird, Adriana Cordova, Christie Cranek, Natesha Glover, Amy Obenhaus, Yaneth Najera, Augustina Ortiz, Nikki Chamberlain, Andrea Machac, Risa Waddell, Valerie Korenek, Amalie Kucherka, Shanna Waligura, Teresa Pittman and

Amy Moore, manager.

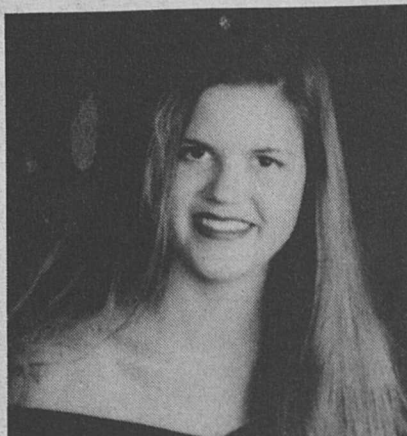
Below are the line scores for the final four games of the season:

| April 7 | R | H | E |
|---------------|----|----|---|
| Columbus | 18 | 10 | 0 |
| Rice | 0 | 2 | 4 |
| April 9 | R | H | E |
| Hallettsville | 15 | 8 | 1 |
| Rice | 0 | 1 | 3 |
| April 10 | R | H | E |
| La Grange | 12 | 10 | 2 |
| Rice | 1 | 2 | 2 |
| April 12 | R | H | E |
| Edna | 12 | 13 | 1 |
| Rice | 1 | 5 | 1 |

See you on the diamond next year!

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shared.



Nerrisa Brisco, the daughter of Jim and Carolyn Brisco of Sheridan, plans to attend the University of North Texas in Denton and major in fashion design and marketing.

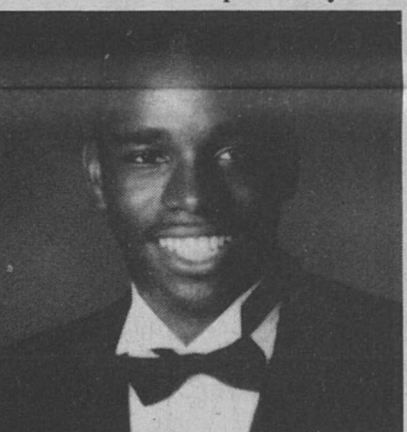
After graduation from college, she plans to do an internship at a reputable fashion company to gain experience then start her own clothing line.

She participates in UIL One-Act-Play and Journalism and is the Drama Club president. She enjoys reading, swimming and drawing.

Her role models are her parents, because of their dedication to improving their community.

Nerrisa's most memorable moments are at this year's One-Act-Play competition when the announcer said, "The advancing plays are: I Never Saw Another Butterfly..."

Other fond memories include winning first place in District in Headline and Editorial writing this year and winning first place in district in the 800 meter run her sophomore year.

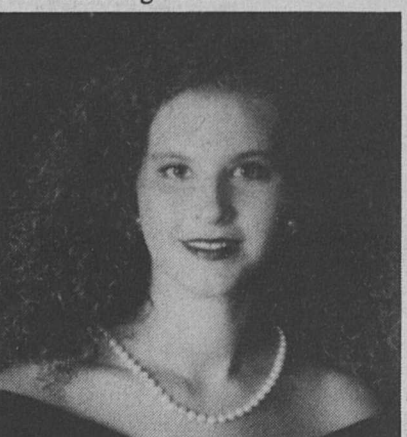


Willie Cleveland, the son of Willie and Ruth Cleveland of Eagle Lake, plans to attend the University of Houston to major in computer engineering.

Willie plays basketball and likes to listen to music and play video games.

His role models are his parents, because they taught him the meaning of hard work and to "always be the best he can be".

Willie's most memorable moments are when he was named all-district in basketball and when he found out he was an honor graduate.



Sunny Gertson, the daughter of

Ralph and Connie Gertson of Eagle Lake, plans to go to college, marry the "man of her dreams" and have three children.

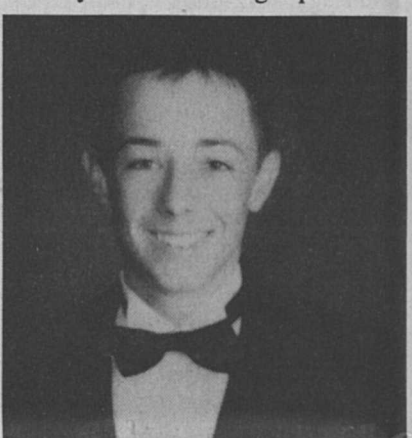
She plans to attend the University of Houston at Victoria and major in disciplinary studies/elementary education. After college graduation, she plans to teach kindergarten.

Sunny is the president of the National Honor Society, vice-president of Student Council, Senior Class president, Captain of Flag Corps, FTA treasurer and is a member of the band.

She was voted Miss RHS and Most Dependable. She enjoys partying, hanging out with friends, watching movies, fishing, dancing and water-skiing.

Sunny's role model is her mom, because she helped her realize teaching would make her happy. She also taught Sunny to be a leader, an organizer and to follow her dreams.

Sunny's most memorable moments were all the prom-decorating parties, Pappadeaux's and Haunted Woods, trips to Houston with the girls, dances, camp house parties, L&W Holiday Ball and fishing trips.



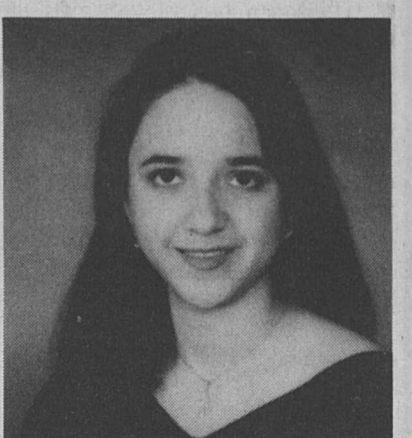
Lance Grigar, the son of Michael and Melody Grigar of Eagle Lake, plans to attend Trinity University to play baseball and major in either education or communication. He wants to be successful at whichever career he chooses, get married and be happy.

Lance plays football, basketball, baseball and golf and does powerlifting. He is a member of FCA, PALS, Student Council, is Senior Class Reporter, Senior Class Favorite and was voted as Most Active in School.

He enjoys shooting pool, hanging out with friends, sleeping and fishing.

His parents are his role models because they have worked hard to give him a good life and still found time to be with him.

Lance's most memorable moments were trips to Cattleman's, the weekends spent working so diligently on the Prom decorations, being named all-district in football and baseball and the trip to Pappadeaux and the Haunted Forest.



Maria Hernandez, the daughter of Arturo and Maria Hernandez of Eagle Lake, plans to attend Wharton County Junior College for two years and transfer to the University of Texas at Arlington.

She's going to major in business management and minor in real estate.

She plans to finish college with at least a bachelor's degree and then move to a big city and begin her own real estate business.

She is involved in band, Drama Club, UIL and One-Act-Play and enjoys working and drawing.

Her role model is her cousin, Carlos, because of his great wisdom and his achievements during his life.

Her most memorable moment was winning district in UIL One-Act-Play.

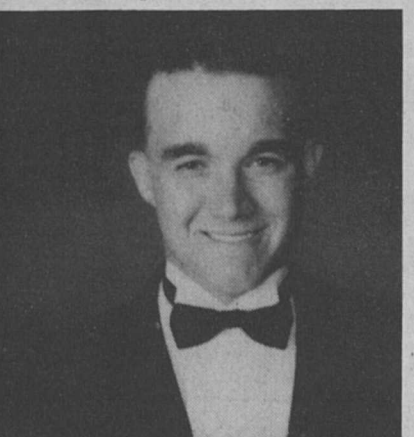


Rachelle Kallina, the daughter of Boxie and Marsha Kallina of Eagle Lake, plans to attend Southwest Texas State University and major in physical education to become a coach and hopefully live in a small town close to her family.

She plays volleyball, basketball and runs track. Rachelle is also co-head cheerleader and in powerlifting. She is president of the Student Council and a member of FCA. She enjoys going out with friends, watching movies, playing sports and just having fun.

Her role model is her mother because she is always right about everything she tells her and she has helped get Rachelle where she is today. Rachelle really thanks her for that.

Her most memorable moments are beating Bellville in basketball, prom decorating parties, graduation day last year and the prom.



Trey Kucherka, the son of Dave and Melinda Kucherka of Eagle Lake, plans to attend Texas A&M at Corpus Christi and major in marine biology. He plans to enjoy his job and live life to the fullest.

He plays basketball, is a member of FCA and enjoys fishing when he has time.

His role model is George Lucas, because he dared to follow his dreams, no matter what others said.

Trey's most memorable moments are his checkered basketball career, the wreck that killed the "Woody Wagon" and Mr. Streit's classes.

"Education is hanging around until you've caught on." — Robert Frost

"Few things are harder to put up with than the annoyance of a good example."

— Mark Twain

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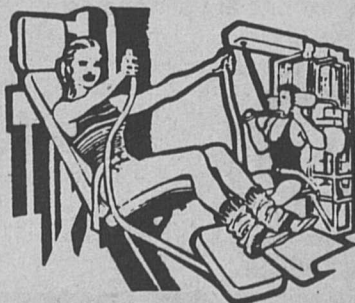
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Bible Verse of the Week

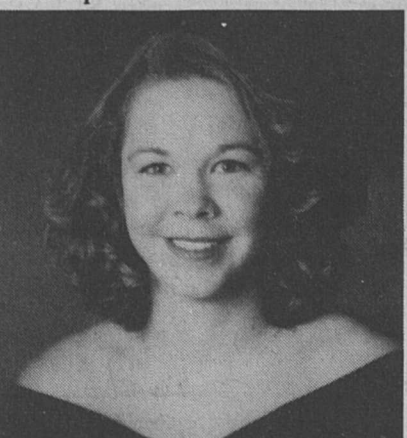
"Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth."

— Colossians 3:2

Submitted by Neddy Phillips

Gina Sides, the daughter of Louis and Glenna Sides of Eagle Lake, plans to attend the first summer session at Wharton County Junior College then Texas A&M in the fall, majoring in experimental psychology and minor in biology. She also plans to get married and have children someday.

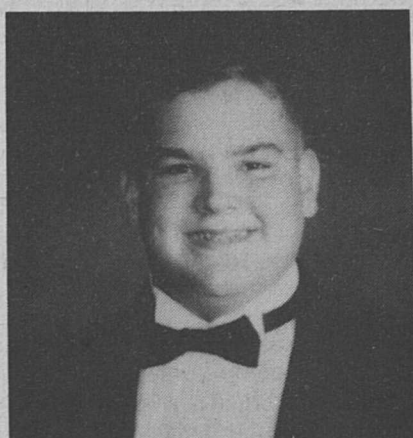
Her hobbies include partying with



friends and sleeping. Gina was freshman class president, sophomore class secretary, a member of Student Council, FTA, BPA, band and JV and varsity cheerleader.

Her role models are her parents because they have helped her become the person she is today. They have taught her that hard work and dedication is the way to become successful.

Gina's most memorable moments are definitely all of the parties and reflector nights with a few of her friends. Mr. Streit's, Ms. Volkmer's and Mrs. R. Clipson's classes also hold fond memories.



George Weller, the son of George and Sue Weller of Eagle Lake, plans to graduate from college and hopefully be successful. He will attend Texas A&M, but is undecided on his major.

He plays football, baseball and golf and enjoys partying with friends on the weekends.



Jessica Briscoe, daughter of Charles and Margaret Briscoe of Eagle Lake and a three-year graduate, plans to attend St. Edward's University in Austin and major in psychology.

After she finishes her masters degree in clinical psychology, she plans to set up a practice in American Samoa.

Jessica is involved in One-Act-Play, UIL events, Drama Club, Lincoln-Douglas debate and the National Honor Society. She likes going out with friends and relaxing while reading a good novel.

Jessica admires her parents because they work really hard to give her what she needs and especially to send her to a good college.

Her most memorable moments were the excitement that everyone felt when they won district!



Amanda Weishuhn, the daughter of Bobby and Patsy Weishuhn of Garwood and a three-year graduate, plans to have fun this summer, get through college as quickly as possible, then attend Culinary School.

After that, she wants to go to work in Europe, get rich, open her own restaurant on the northeastern coast of the U.S. and have a family.

She plans to attend Wharton County Junior College, then transfer to the University of Houston, majoring in hotel/restaurant management.

A member of the National Honor Society, Amanda likes going to work, sleeping, swinging, cooking, yard work and playing with her dog, Shazte.

Amanda's role models are Jesus Christ and her parents. Jesus because He gave up His life to save others and her parents because they have worked hard for what they have.