

RAIDER REVIEW

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RHS has prom

By Kelli Matthys

The Rice High School (RHS) junior class hosted a very successful 1997 Junior/Senior Prom. The event was held on April 26, at the Stafford Opera House in Columbus.

The ballroom was decorated to accommodate the theme, "Always and Forever".

Red, black and gold were the dominant colors that covered the tables and walls. Plants, columns wrapped in rose vines, lights and screens made to look like windows enhanced the beauty of the Opera House.

Thanks to many students and parents, the food table remained plentiful all night. The finger foods consisted of chips, dips, brownies, cookies and vegetables.

Thanks to Nicole Krenak and Brett Boenisch, everyone had punch to drink.

Pictures were taken by Jodi Sebesta of Jodi and Co. in Columbus. The background was made up of two screens covered with black gossamer and rose vines. A pedestal and vase full of roses stood in one corner and black and red gossamer lined the floor.

After the grand march and dancing to several songs, Junior Class Vice President Jon Pope announced the 1997 Prom King and Queen.

Five boys were nominated for King: Rocky Banks, Brent Schneider, Cody Cerny, Robin Buitrago, Shaun Johnson and Jason Webb. Schneider and Buitrago were in a run-off.

Jennifer Krenak, Carrie Engstrom, America Saenz, Jackie Schmitt, Bridget Baird, Jennifer Girdt and Rachelle Kallina were up for the honor of Queen.

The two chosen by the senior class were Miss America Saenz and Mr. Brent Schneider.

The Rice Junior Class worked



The 1997 Prom King and Queen, Mr. Brent Schneider and Miss America Saenz.

very hard to make the prom a success. They couldn't have done it without several people.

They would like to thank Jane Wied, Gerald Streit, Arthur Holle, Lynn Holle, Jane Clipson, Virginia Young, Fritz Willms, Jennifer Krenak and Janice Waddell for helping decorate.

Thanks to Beth Waddell and Gretchen Wilkerson for helping us clean up and Angie Leopold and Ralph Gertson for sitting at the registration table.

The following juniors spent days decorating for the prom and are

greatly appreciated: Risa Waddell, Stephanie Thompson, Jonathan Burrow, Jon Pope, Jenny Hajovsky, Amy Obenhaus, Kelli Matthys, Jeremy Gohlke, Tiffany Wilkerson, Christie Cranek and Vanessa Rodgers.

Thanks to everyone who donated supplies, food and time to make the prom a great success.

Who's Zat?

By Stephanie Thompson

Just look at that adorable grin! This little cutie (pictured at right) fooled quite a few people at Rice. The only given clue was that he is currently a sophomore.

Kissy Cranek and Rebal Canaris walked away with frowns when they incorrectly guessed Barrett Thomas.

Amy Obenhaus must have been sad when she said Justin Schneider. Marcie Till and Lori Grigar had no clue at all.

That cute smile and blond hair didn't fool everyone though. Robyn Rucka and Hank Cranek were all smiles because they knew it was none other than Kevin Hoffman.

Kevin is the son of Thierry and Lisa Hoffman of Nada. He is an active member of the FFA and has played football, golf and baseball.

In his spare time he enjoys shooting in pool and partying with his friends.

Special Olympics participate in Area 13 meet

By Risa Waddell

On Friday, April 18, and Saturday, April 19, the Area 13 Special Olympics Competition was hosted by Leander High School, north of Austin.

This event offered seven sports and Rice High School took part in the Track and Field division.

The competition began with a Parade of Athletes to kick off the

events. The parade included every team, marching around the track together displaying their school banner.

Erika Ellenbogen placed third in softball throw and first in the 100 yard dash.

Eric Guthrie received a second place in the 220 yard dash and first in shotput.

Clifford Miller brought home three first places in the softball throw, 25 yard walk and 25 yard wheelchair dash.

Jerry Miller placed second in 25 yard wheelchair dash and first in the ball throw for distance.

All four athletes have qualified for the state meet to be held on the University of Houston campus May 22-25.

Congratulations and good luck at state!

Rice participates in UIL Regional meet

By Stephanie Thompson

On April 19, Blinn Junior College in Brenham held its annual Regional UIL Meet.

In order for the students to attend this meet, they had to place first or second at the District Meet.

The four students who went were: Robyn Rucka, in math; Valerie Galvan, in prose; Nerissa Briscoe, in two journalism events (editorial and headline writing); and Sara Mann, in prose and persuasive speaking in which she placed fifth.

Sara is to be commended for plac-

ing fifth, which puts her in the top 20 in state. This placing also makes her a second alternate for the State Meet.

Ms. Holden was their chaperon and would like to say she is very proud of them and would like to congratulate everyone for a job well done!

Cheerleaders, mascot chosen

By Risa Waddell

Cheerleading tryouts were held April 25 at Rice High School.

Three cheerleaders from the Universal Cheerleaders Association (UCA) were invited to judge the tryouts which began at 1 p.m.

By 3 p.m., the results were given. The varsity squad is listed below.

'98 Seniors: Stephanie Thompson, (captain); Amy Obenhaus and Risa Waddell.

Juniors: Rebal Canaris, Caleche Cranek, Lori Grigar and Dyana Rees. Sophomores: Tabitha Connor, Heather Henske, Carmen Llorca and

Sam Ellenbogen (mascot).

The junior varsity squad, consisting of eight members, is as follows:

Sophomores: Stephanie Braden and Nicole Krenak.

Freshman: Jamie Christ, Jenna Hoffman, Rhonda Peroni, Stacie Schneider, Lakeesh Utley and Leslie Waddell.

These new squads are now organizing for a camp which will be June 8-11 in Jasper.

June 23-26, the annual mini-camp will be held. Signs will be posted in the surrounding communities for updated and further information.

Band auxiliary tryouts held

By Kelli Matthys

On May 2, the Rice Raider Band held drum major, twirler and flag tryouts.

Three judges from the University of Houston came to decide next year's front line.

The decision was hard, but the judges thought Kara Bennett and Susanna Silva would be best for drum majors. Kara will be head and Susanna assistant. Angela Phillips will be the 1997-98 feature twirler.

The Flags will consist of Captain Kelli Matthys; 1st Lieutenant Tiffany Wilkerson; and 2nd Lt. Jenny Hajovsky. Other members include the following: Amalie Kucherka, Jennifer Christ, Lisa Valigura, Amanda Engstrom, Sarah Rivera and Amy Moore.

The judges said the Flag Corps is so good that the person with the lowest score at Rice would have been captain in other districts.

Congratulations to these girls and good luck next year.

Seniors receive invitations

By Carrie Engstrom

The end of the year is getting closer and the seniors are really getting excited.

On April 30, Tommy Smith from Balfour delivered invitations to the seniors.

The senior year is probably the most memorable and expensive year encountered by students.

The Class of 1997 graduation expenses include the following: cap and gown, \$23; graduation announcements, 69¢, (with two envelopes). Most students ordered packages that range in cost from \$137.75 to \$213.35.

Commencement Exercises will take place Thursday evening, May 29, at 8 p.m. in the Rice High School Stadium.

In case of rain, the alternate graduation site will be the gym.

Beginning band competes in solo, ensemble

Congratulations go out to the following Rice Beginner Band students, who participated in the Solo and Ensemble contest held at Rice High School Saturday, May 10.

Thirty-two students participated with 26 earning a Division I and six students earning a Division II.

Outstanding band students were: Oboe: Sarah Foster; Flute: Krystal Buegeler and Melissa Drik; Clarinet: Leila Baggett, Melanie Brown, Erica Cason, Odyssey Johnson, Lacey Lehner, Jacqui Mahalitc and Leslie Woolard; Bass Clarinet: Danisha Reggins; Alto Saxophone: Matthew Lloyd and Kenisha Wicks; Trumpet: Amanda Burrow, Jason Godley, Matthew Hinz, Hannah Kallina, Jesus Ortiz and Eliazar Zepeda;

Also, French Horn: Amanda Kaiser; Trombone: Jonathan Hassin and Travis Pittman; Euphonium: Aimee Bubela, Tekisha Dabney, Felipe Rangel, Alma Tapia, Andrew Varley; Percussion: Juan Castillo, Reggie Ford, Patrick Milentz, James Scott, Jessica Popp.

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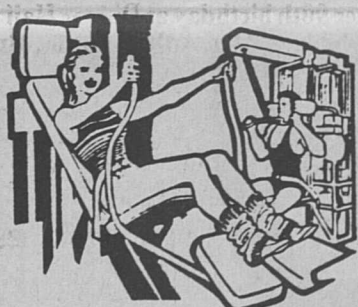
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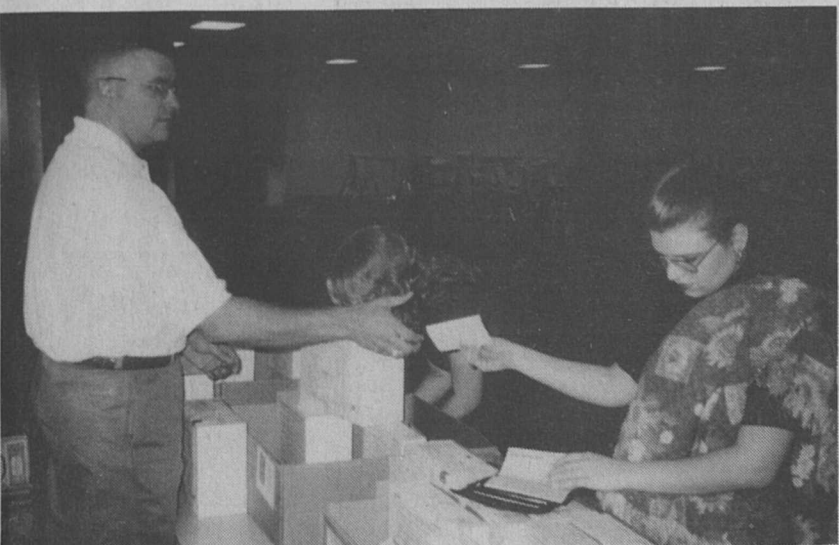
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Pictured above is Sharon Pavlicek picking up her invitations.

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time", plans to weed and mow the Museum's outdoor areas as needed.

The Museum's Board of Directors thanks him for his generous assistance. And, next time you see Shorty, be sure to let him know how much his

contribution is appreciated.

Congratulations go to Whitson George Wilkins of Eagle Lake who recently graduated from Texas Institute (a division of Paris Junior College) in Jewelry Technology.



Foot Facts

By Dr. Eric R. Tepper, Podiatrist

DON'T BURN YOUR "BRIDGES"

One of the few down sides to an increase in activity can be an increase in injuries. When it comes to the feet, the tendons are often on the front line. As "bridges" connecting muscles to bones, tendons can be strained or torn, resulting in swelling, stiffness, and pain. One of the greatest dangers to these soldiers is the eagerness to get back into the swing of activity before healing is complete. Even a tendon that is only mildly overstretched generally requires 24 to 48 hours of rest, including use of ice packs and foot elevation. The more severe the strain, the longer the period of recuperation. A torn tendon is always a serious injury, requiring professional treatment, physical therapy, and, in some cases, surgery. Recovery may take several months.

Don't ignore tendon or any other kind of foot pain. Quick, professional attention is the best assurance of a speedy recovery and prevention of future consequences. Here at Rice Medical Center, where I have office hours every Tuesday, we want you back into your normal routine as comfortably and as quickly as possible - just like you do - and we are committed to helping you make the best treatment decision for your needs. Call 234-5571 for full family foot care.

P.S. One of the best things you can do to protect your feet's tendons is to do proper stretching exercises before any taxing activity.