

Local youths volunteer for Rainbow Room

For their yearly service project, the Rice High School National Honor Society (NHS) and Colorado County 4-H County Council have elected to contribute to the County's Rainbow Room.

The Colorado County Rainbow Room is a new project recently initiated by the joint efforts of the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services and Colorado County Children's Protective Service Board.

The Rainbow Room project is an effort to enhance services for our County's abused and neglected children at a time when state funds are more limited than ever.

The main goal of the Rainbow Room is to provide an on-site emergency resource center from which our County caseworkers can access goods for children in protective care.

Members of Rice NHS and local 4-H County Council are helping donate items from the following list: various sizes of diapers, new or like new jeans, shirts, socks, underwear and shoes; various sizes of coats and jackets; baby formula, infant cereal, jars of baby food; baby carriers and car seats; dental and personal hygiene items; pesticides, shampoo, shampoo for lice; child-proofing safety items; school supplies; canned food; toys for

children of various ages; books, puzzles and interactive toys.

These two youth groups have also volunteered their time to help organize and shelve the donated items in the Rainbow Room.

If anyone would like to join the efforts of these dedicated youths and donate items to the local Rainbow Room, it is located in the Texas Department of Human Services building, 1460 Walnut Street in Columbus.



Local youths collecting and organizing items for the County's Rainbow Room are from left, Jenny Hajovsky (Rice NHS president and 4-H County Council treasurer), NHS members Susana Silva, Rebal Canaris, Ralph Gertson, Valerie Galvan, Tim Galvan, Barrett Thomas, Lori Grigar, NHS vice president Jonathan Burrow, Amalie Kucherka, Angie Leopold and Lisa Valigura. Photo Courtesy of Judy Pustejovsky

34th Annual Sheridan Stew Supper wrap up

The Sheridan Lions Club held their 34th Annual Stew Supper Saturday, Nov. 15, and even with inclement weather are again proud to report with great success.

The continued success would not be possible without the support of the following sponsors who contributed to the drawing and auction.

The Sheridan Lions would like to take this time to thank the following for their help: Sheridan Lumber, Colorado County Butane, Dupré Lease Service, Lions Ed & Kay Parham, Lion Bobby Haines, Lion Traylor Walker, Johnny's Sport Shop, Gonzales Livestock Commission, Lions Bill & Lillian Gohlke and Leah Ross, Mary Kay consultant; Also, Sonntag Service Station; Robert's Automotive, Hallettsville; Sheridan Dairy Delite; Sue's Beauty

Shop, Rock Island; Lions Eddie Ray & Lois Taylor, Mr. Webb Cunningham, Bluebonnet Insurance, Hallettsville; Sandy Creek Drive In; Movie Shop, Sheridan; Ruth Brisco, Barbara Brisco, Luzier's; Iona Dolejsi, Josephine Billeck, Earlene Botard, Lion Zelda Walker and Pam Brisco.

The Sheridan Lions are grateful to Harry Brisco of Burton who was auctioneer for the evening. He did a great job bringing in a little over \$1,000 for the Sheridan Lions. The gross income of \$6,738 may have been somewhat off from previous years but the Sheridan Lions still report another successful event.

Even with all the businesses and individuals listed above, this income could not be possible without the support of the individuals and businesses (See Sheridan, Page 8)

SHERIDAN LIBRARY NEWS

Natalie Dupré was recognized as the "Volunteer of the Year" at the fourth library reception for Friends. Her name is being added to the library plaque for volunteering her service as secretary and treasurer for the library.

Attending the library reception held in honor of Friends of the Library were 43 members. The reception took place Thursday, Nov. 13, at the Sheridan Community Center.

Ruth Brisco gave the pledge, followed by Natalie Dupré with the blessing.

An appreciation meal, furnished by the Sheridan Library Board, of various soups, sandwiches, dessert, tea and coffee followed.

Lillian Gohlke, director of the library, gave a short resume of the year. She stated that the library continues to grow with the support of the Friends group.

She also recognized two ladies who play a special part in library services: Patsy Fuller who will serve as the Friends President for 1998 and Jena- (See Friends, Page 8)

This Week's Action!

Date	Team, Time, Place
Friday, Nov. 21	F, JV & V basketball at Weimar, 5 p.m.
Monday, Nov. 24	F, JV & V basketball at Flatonia, 5 p.m.
Tuesday, Nov. 25	F, JV & V basketball vs. Brazos, Here, 5 p.m.
Monday, Dec. 1	F, JV & V basketball at Needville, 5 p.m.

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RAIDER REVIEW

Look what's new at the library!

By Valerie Galvan

Opening up this week is the Library Store. This store is a place where students can purchase supplies they are in need of. The Library Store offers the following items:

- Portfolios 50¢
- Pocket Folders 50¢
- Hi-liters 50¢
- Pencils 10¢
- Papermate Pens 25¢
- Flex grip pens 75¢
- Notecards (25) 25¢
- Report Covers 50¢
- Theme Book \$1.00
- Diskettes \$1.00
- Paper (25 sheets) 25¢

When asked how she came up with the idea, Mrs. Holle replied, "I had the idea because students are always running out of supplies. There is no place around here to make a quick stop and pick something up. It will be a convenience for the students."

Any small profit made from the sale of supplies will go to purchase book marks, books and other new things for the students.

Also going strong this year is the Accelerated Reader program. This program is backed up by the campus improvement committee, made up of parents and teachers, whose desire is to improve reading skills. It has become a school-wide push.

The program encourages students to read a book from a list of Accelerated Reader books. The reading level of the list varies in difficulty so that every student can find something to read with success.

After completing the book the student takes a computerized test on the novel. Special monitor passwords prohibit cheating. The book is then graded on its difficulty. The student can then earn points by the number of questions they answer correctly. The students with the highest number of points are eligible to win a prize.

Every semester the top 10 students win prizes and at the end of the year the

person with the highest number of total points wins the grand prize. This year the prizes are as follows:

- 1st Personal CD Player
- 2nd Personal Cassette Player
- 3rd Gift Certificate
- 4th Sports Bag
- 5th Sports Bag
- 6th A.R. T-shirt
- 7th A.R. T-shirt
- 8th A.R. T-shirt
- 9th A.R. T-shirt
- 10th A.R. T-shirt
- Grand Prize Personal TV

Students who earn 100 on an accelerated reader test are a part of the 100 club. Their name is written on a star and put on display in the library. As of now there are already 110 members.

So many new things are going on at the library. Students are encouraged to come and check them out!

RHS Profiles

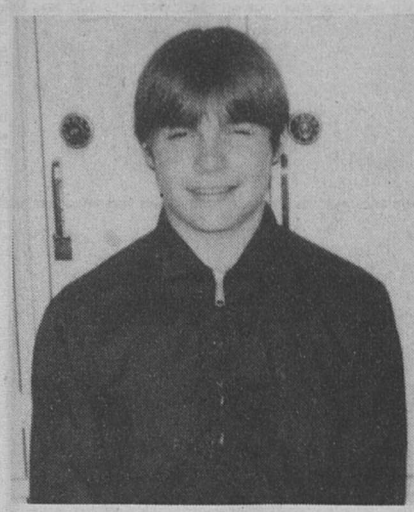
By Valerie Galvan

Height: 5'5" Eyes: Brown

Grade: Sophomore

Where can you find him: At home making a lot of noise.

This week's RHS Profile is on



Glen Dromgoole. Glen is an active member of the RHS Band.

Glen's passion in life is playing the drums. His dream is to become a musician and he is very dedicated to his dream. He practices for several hours a week. His determination to be better is very apparent to those who know him.

An anonymous source described Glen as a person who is fun loving and reserved. "His opinions can make a person question their own thoughts. He can be a really good friend!"

When asked to describe himself in one sentence Glen wrote, "I like to have a good time." Glen feels that something most people wouldn't know about him is that his grandfather played a large role in his life.

Many people find Glen an outstanding student. Good luck is wished to him in the future.

Senior Robin Shavers takes an Accelerated Readers test at the Rice High School Library.

Meet the Raider

By Lisa Valigura

Featured in this week's Raider spotlight is junior Justin Schneider. He wears jersey #82 and plays the

position of receiver.

He thinks that the team has improved compared to last year. "The coaches are doing a great job. They helped us improve in many areas," Justin added.

Justin's favorite memories would have to be winning the games against Weimar and Schulenburg.

In his spare time, Justin likes to go to parties and be with friends. He participates in baseball, golf and FFA.

His parents are Leon and Sandy Schneider of Garwood.



Justin Schneider

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