

## This Week's Action!



Date Team, Time & Place  
Friday & Sat. .... Rice/Columbus Tennis Tournament  
Feb. 27 & 28 .. Matches at both schools

# SPORTS

## Lady Raiders close out basketball season

The Lady Raiders played their last game of the year at home against Hallettsville. Hallettsville got started

quickly as they raced out to a 21-9 first quarter lead. The Lady Raiders could have eas-

ily quit, but they've come back from deficits all year long.

The second quarter started with the Lady Raiders responding to the challenge, going on a 19-11 run to close the gap to 32-28 by halftime.

Halftime was a little longer due to Parent's Night. "It was a very exciting time for the parents and the players," commented their coach.

The third quarter was a stalemate with both teams scoring eight points. By this time, the Lady Raiders were in foul trouble with several key players.

The game's final quarter was very exciting, with both teams playing very emotional. "Our girls showed tremendous heart in battling back time and time again, they really put on a good performance for the parents," said their coach.

The Lady Raiders got the score to 53-50 with two minutes left. By that time, a post player and both point guards had already fouled out.

The Ladies just did not have enough to overcome Hallettsville in the end.

However, the Lady Raiders basketball program has a bright future with all the guards coming back.

The Lady Raiders closed out the

year by dropping the decision to Hallettsville, 61-50; bringing their record to 4-21 and 0-10 in district.

Scoring for the Lady Raiders were Amy Obenhaus with 15 points; Erica Dunmore, 12; Briana Bedford, Monique Cotton and Rochelle Teague, six each; Chazara Scott, three; and Angela Phillips, two points.

The guards and forwards coming back are Bedford, a junior; Dunmore, freshman; Phillips, sophomore; Cotton and Teague, both juniors.

All of the guards and forwards are good ball handlers and capable of scoring 10 points a game. If they work on their game during the summer, the rewards could be endless for several of them.

"The three seniors, Obenhaus, Scott and Natesha Glover who finished the year, were good leaders in many ways. There's not anyway to measure leadership. It's one of the things that you don't understand until it is gone," said their coach.

Jennifer Christ is the only true post player coming back next year. Jennifer will be coming off knee surgery and will be a very important component of the team next season.

## Raider varsity splits season-ending games

On Tuesday, Feb. 16, the Raiders dug themselves a hole but were able to climb out of it at the end and stumble to a 79-77 defeat of the La Grange Leopards.

Leading the way for the Raiders were Josh Godley with 31 points and Kenny Pipkins with 16.

Also contributing were Eric Johnson, nine; Warren Scott, seven; Jamarus Brooks, six; and Pete Rangel and Clint Gertson, five each.

The Raiders sleep-walked through two and one-half quarters against the Leopards but were able to come back at the end and win the game.

Through most of the game, the Raiders turned the ball over, missed easy shots and gave the Leopards

numerous easy opportunities to allow their hosts to keep a 6-9 point cushion.

Late in the game, though, the gracious Leopards allowed Rice to slip back in and take the lead, 79-77 with 10 seconds left.

The Raiders had a chance to ice the game with two free throws - but they missed the first and were called for a lane violation on the second to keep the margin at two.

La Grange went for the win but came up just short on a last-second three-point attempt and the Raiders got the rebound and victory.

The Raiders ended their 1997-98 basketball season with a disappointing 68-60 defeat at the hands of the Bellville Brahmas on Friday, Feb. 20.

The loss dropped the Raiders to 18-11 on the season and into a tie for third place in district with Bellville at 4-6.

The Raiders were led by Godley with 15 points and Gertson and Pipkins with 13 each.

Also scoring for the Raiders were Brooks, eight; Johnson, six; and Scott, five.

The Raider coaches would like to thank all the players who worked so

hard this year.

And, they would like to thank the parents and fans who supported them throughout the year.

### SCORE BY QUARTERS

Team	1	2	3	4	Tot.
Rice	17	16	24	22	79
La G	18	21	21	17	77
Rice	11	16	15	18	60
Bell	12	15	12	29	68

## East Bernard sets 11th Annual Chili Cook-off

The East Bernard Fair Fund Inc. will host its 11th Annual Chili Cook-off on Saturday, March 7, at Riverside Hall Pavilion in East Bernard.

Entries are being sought for the chili, cornbread and beans categories. Entry fee for chili is \$15, cornbread \$10 and \$10 for beans.

There will also be an auction beginning at 1 p.m. and drawing winners announced after the cook-off. East Bernard 4-H Clubs will sponsor game booths during the event.

To enter event, contact Gail Guthman, P.O. Box 636, Lissie, TX 77454; or call 409-234-3273.

Entry forms may also be picked up

and/or dropped off at Vincik's Smokehouse or E.B. Meat Center in East Bernard.

Deadline for entries is Friday, March 6.

## Turkey orders due for County Fair exhibitors

By C. Jack Hunter, Colorado County Extension Agent

Individuals planning to exhibit turkeys at the 1998 Colorado County Fair are reminded that all pouls must be of the same variety and ordered at the same time.

Turkey pouls must be ordered through the Colorado County Extension Office on or before March 6.

Each exhibitor must purchase a minimum of 15 pouls at a cost of \$3.10 each and they must be paid for at the time ordered.

Turkey pouls are to be picked up April 15 from 3 to 4:30 p.m. at the County Extension Office.

Chairpersons for the turkey division of the Colorado County Fair Livestock Show are John Glueck, 409-732-5249; and Richard Glueck, 732-5942.

There have been some general rule changes for the 1998 Colorado Show that will affect turkey exhibitors:

1. No exhibitor will be allowed to show at the Colorado County Fair in the Junior market division or the commercial heifer division if he/she

has sold a project in any other youth livestock show and sale in Colorado County within the same calendar year.

2. Completion and submission of a record book will be mandatory for all exhibitors of junior market animals and commercial heifers.

3. The check out time for all projects will be from 8 to 10 a.m. on Sunday, Sept. 13, 1998. A signed release from your department chairperson will be required to remove animals from the show grounds.

4. There will be no resale on turkeys, broilers or rabbits.

For more information contact the County Extension Office at 409-732-2082 or one of the chairpersons of the turkey division.

## What is a Nurse Practitioner

Nurse practitioners (NPs) are primary health care providers. As advanced practice nurses, they provide nursing and medical services to individuals, families and groups, emphasizing health promotion and disease prevention, as well as the diagnosis and management of acute and chronic diseases.

Services include, but are not limited to ordering, conducting and interpreting appropriate diagnostic and laboratory tests, prescription of pharmacologic agents and treatments and nonpharmacologic therapies.

Teaching and counseling individuals, families and groups are a major part of nurse practitioners' activities.

Nurse practitioners work autonomously as well as collaboratively with a variety of individuals to diagnose and manage clients' health care problems.

The autonomous nature of advanced clinical practice of nurse practitioners requires accountability for outcomes in health care.

Insuring the highest quality of care requires certification, periodic peer review, clinical outcome evaluations, a code for ethical practice, evidence of continuing professional development and maintenance of clinical skills.

Though there are professional guidelines set forth for educational preparation for clinical competency to become a nurse practitioner, self-directed continued learning is emphasized.

As leaders in primary health care, nurse practitioners combine the roles of provider, mentor, educator, researcher and administrator. Members of the profession are responsible for (See Nurse, Page 10)



Garwood 2nd graders make instruments

Recently, Mrs. Dromgoole's second grade class made instruments, with each student choosing from bongo drums, pan pipes or a string instrument. As a birthday surprise, they took their instruments and marched down to the office to sing "Happy Birthday" to Mr. Lanier. They also sang a Groundhog Day song.

Pictured standing are, Daniela Telez, Amber Duque, Jessy Besch, April Pagel, Megan Bartlett, Kourtney Korenek, Brizel Fry, Marisol Tapia, and Hillary Johnson. Sitting are Adam Shimek, Eunice Hernandez, Mr. Lanier, Travis Jallow, Kacie Smith and Shelly Walker. Mr. Lanier was very pleased with the second graders and thanked them all.

Garwood School Photo

## Cerny roping in Houston

Clay Cerny, local roping phenomenon, is putting his skills to the test at the Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo this year.

According to his mom, Clay took part in the competition Feb. 21 and will be in the arena again Feb. 28 and March 3.

We send our good luck wishes and hope he shows all those other cowboys how it's done!

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### Different Estrogens Available for ERT

The National Osteoporosis Foundation and other groups recommend estrogen replacement therapy (ERT) as the treatment of choice for preventing osteoporosis (thinning of bone) in postmenopausal women, provided there are no prohibiting circumstances (contraindications) and that women agree to such therapy. In addition, estrogen with or without progesterone (another female hormone) has also been shown to be effective in preventing hot flashes and vaginal dryness, problems that often occur during menopause. There are many different types and forms of estrogen products available for ERT:

- **Oral tablets:** The oral estrogens include *estradiol* (Estrace), *conjugated estrogen* (Premarin), *esterified estrogens* (Estratab and Menest), *estropipate* (Ogen) and *quinestrol* (Estrovis).
- **Skin patches (transdermal):** Commercially available products contain *estradiol* (Estraderm, Climera, and Vivelle).
- **Injections:** Estrogens available for injection include *estradiol*, *estrone*, and *conjugated estrogen*.
- **Vaginal forms:** Vaginal estrogen replacement products include a number of creams such as *estradiol* (Estrace), *conjugated estrogen* (Premarin), *estropipate* (Ogen) and *dienestrol* (Ortho Dienestrol). A vaginal insert containing *estradiol* (Estring) also is available.

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### SENATOR ARMBRISTER'S PAST ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- ✓ Graduate of Sam Houston State University
- ✓ Police Officer. Worked his way up from patrol officer to the rank of Captain
- ✓ Graduate of the FBI National Academy
- ✓ Director of the Victoria Police Academy
- ✓ Criminal Justice instructor at Victoria College and the University of Houston-Victoria
- ✓ Vice-President of the VISD Board of Trustees
- ✓ Served two terms in the Texas House of Representatives
- ✓ President Pro-Tem of the Texas Senate
- ✓ Ken is currently the Chairman of the Senate State Affairs Committee

### KEN'S PROUDEST ACCOMPLISHMENT

Married to the former Susie Sembera of La Salle. Their son Shane is a graduate of Southwest Texas State University (where he met his wife Holly), and works as a teacher and football coach. Their daughter Erin is a recent graduate of Southwest Texas, and is pursuing a career in advertising. The Armbristers are members of Holy Family Catholic Church in Victoria.



"I am committed to representing the people of rural Texas, and I would be proud to serve the voters for another term in the Texas Senate. I ask for your vote and support in the Texas Democratic primary."

-Ken Armbrister

Please Vote in the March 10th Democratic primary.

Early Voting Continues Until March 6th.

Paid for by Ken Armbrister Campaign, PO Box 5017 Victoria, TX 77903