

This Week's Action!



Date	Team, Time, Place
Friday, Aug. 14	Lady Raider volleyball scrimmage (2 teams), 3:30 p.m.
Sat., Aug. 15	Lady Raider volleyball at Smithville, scrimmage, 11 a.m.
Tues., Aug. 18	Lady Raider volleyball vs. Fayetteville, Here, 5 p.m.
Thurs., Aug. 20	Lady Raider V volleyball at Columbus Tournament

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Raiders are ready for football season

Approximately 70 players reported last week to take part in pre-season high school football workouts for the Rice Raiders.

Raiders Head Coach Russell Roark is looking forward to guiding Rice in the upcoming 1998 campaign. Roark finished 2-8 during his inaugural year as head coach of the Raiders.

After the first week of workouts in shirts and shorts, Roark is confident about the upcoming season.

"We have some size from the underclassmen. Some of these kids will have a chance to step up and make an impact with the varsity," Roark exclaimed.

A major change the Raiders will face this season is moving to a new district.

Rice's new district, 25-3A that boasts 3A state champion Sealy, also includes Sweeny and Hitchcock. The latter two also made playoff appearances.

Needville and Stafford, both finishing the 1997 season at 4-6, round out the new district.

"It's going to be one of the toughest

est districts in the state which will force us to play better," Roark said.

Quarterback Warren Scott leads this year's returning starters. The Rice senior was a unanimous selection as an all-district defensive back.

Linebackers Brandon Shanks and Jay Knight are back to bolster the Raiders' defense. Shanks had 65 tackles and Knight, 51, last season.

Two-way starters Jeremy Weishuhn and Brandon Besch are also returning for the 1998 season.

Other returning starters are quarterback/defensive end Klay Korenek; center/line backer Clint Korenek; running back Jon Godley; defensive back Kevin Godley; defensive back Johnny Johnson; and offensive lineman Scott Bittner.

The Raiders will begin practicing in full pads this week.

Rice will scrimmage Van Vleck at home Aug. 21 and travel to Boling the next week.

They open the 1998 high school football season hosting Weimar at Raider Stadium, Sept. 4 at 7:30 p.m.

1998 Rice Raider District 25-AAA Football Schedule

VARSITY

Date	Opponent	Place	Time
Aug. 21	Van Vleck (scrimmage)	Rice	7 p.m.
Aug. 28	Boling (scrimmage)	Boling	7 p.m.
Sept. 4	Weimar	Rice	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 11	Shiner	Rice	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 18	Smithville	Smithville	7:30 p.m.
Sept. 25	Pt. Lavaca Calhoun	Pt. Lavaca	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 2	Schulenburg (Parent Night)	Rice	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 9	Sweeny*	Sweeny	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 16	Hitchcock* (Homecoming)	Rice	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 23	Needville*	Needville	7:30 p.m.
Oct. 30	Stafford*	Stafford	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 6	Sealy*	Rice	7:30 p.m.

*District games

JUNIOR VARSITY

Date	Opponent	Place	Time**
Aug. 21	Van Vleck (scrimmage)	Rice	5:30 p.m.
Aug. 28	Boling (scrimmage)	Boling	5:30 p.m.
Sept. 3	Weimar	Weimar	6:30 p.m.
Sept. 10	Shiner	Shiner	6:30 p.m.
Sept. 17	Smithville	Rice	6:30 p.m.
Sept. 24	Pt. Lavaca Calhoun	Rice	6:30 p.m.
Oct. 1	Schulenburg	Schulenburg	6:30 p.m.
Oct. 8	Sweeny	Rice	6:30 p.m.
Oct. 15	Hitchcock	Hitchcock	6:30 p.m.
Oct. 22	Needville	Rice	6:30 p.m.
Oct. 29	Stafford	Rice	6:30 p.m.
Nov. 5	Sealy	Sealy	6:30 p.m.

**JV game times subject to change

County Fair Queen contestants sought

Contestants are still being sought for the Colorado County Fair Queen and Junior Queen contests to be held Saturday, Sept. 5.

There are two divisions. Girls between the ages of 10 and 13 are invited to enter the Junior Queen Contest.

Girls from 14 to 21 may enter the Fair Queen Contest.

All contestants must be single and residents of County or attend school within the County.

Junior contestants must sell \$200 in season passes to the Fair to qualify for the event.

The older girls must sell \$500 in season passes to qualify.

Two queens will be named from among the older group of contestants. The young lady selling the most sea-

son passes in advance will be named Membership Queen. She will receive a \$1,000 scholarship and a life membership in the Fair Association.

The Fair Queen will be chosen by out-of-county judges. She will be judged on appearance, personality and poise. She will receive the \$500 Leslie Schmidt Heard Memorial Scholarship.

Entry forms and a complete set of rules may be obtained by calling queens contest chairman Pamela Potter at 732-2705; or one of the following local chairmen: Lynda Appelt at 234-5878; Deborah Hayward, 725-8603; or Jana Birmingham, 758-3040.

The deadline to enter the contest is 5 p.m. Friday, Aug. 21.

Little/junior contestants also wanted

Once again, the Colorado County Fair Association will offer contests for the youngsters of the County:

The Little Mr. and Miss Contest is for children ages 4, 5 and 6 as of Sept. 1, 1998; and,

The Junior Mr. and Miss contest is open to children ages 7, 8 and 9 as of Sept. 1, 1998.

All contestants must be a resident of Colorado County or attend school

within the County.

Luane Schindler of Columbus will serve as chairman for the fourth year. Lynda Appelt, past fair president from Eagle Lake, will serve as Mistress of Ceremonies.

The Little Mr. and Miss Contest will be held at 2 p.m., Saturday, Sept. 5, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall in Columbus.

It will consist of an on-stage interview before the panel of out-of-county judges.

The Junior Mr. and Miss will be held at 10 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 5, also at St. Paul's Fellowship Hall. It will also consist of an on-stage interview.

Western attire must be worn by all contestants.

Judging will be based 90% on personality and 10% on western dress.

For complete contest rules and entry forms, contact one of the following: George Fox, Columbus Chamber

of Commerce, 732-8385; Lynda Appelt, Eagle Lake, 234-5878; Jana Birmingham, Garwood, 758-3040; or Donna Guentert, The Hair Shop, Weimar, 725-6635.

The deadline to enter both of these contests is 5 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 2. There will be no exceptions.

GCMC lab earns accreditation

The laboratory at Gulf Coast Medical Center (GCMC), Wharton, has been awarded a two-year accreditation by the Commission on Laboratory Accreditation of the College of American Pathologists (CAP), based on the results of a recent on-site inspection.

Sue Bock, Laboratory Director, was advised of this national recognition and congratulated for the "excellence of the services being provided."

The laboratory at GCMC is one of the more than 5,000 CAP-accredited laboratories nationwide.

The CAP Laboratory Accreditation Program, begun in the early 1960's, is recognized by the federal government as being equal to or more stringent than the government's own inspection program.

Inspectors examine the records and quality control of the laboratory for the preceding two years, as well as the education and qualifications of the total staff, the adequacy of the facilities, the equipment, laboratory safety, and laboratory management to determine how well the laboratory is serving the patient.

The CAP is a medical society serving more than 14,500 physician members and the laboratory community throughout the world.

It is the world's largest association composed exclusively of pathologists and is widely considered the leader in laboratory quality assurance.

The CAP is an advocate for high-quality, cost-effective medical care.

Hunter is TCAAA president

Colorado County Extension Agent Jack Hunter was installed as president of the Texas County Agricultural Agents Assoc. (TCAAA) at their annual meeting July 24-25 in San Antonio.

As president, Hunter will give leadership to the 338 members of the association and its board of directors.

Hunter was elected by his peers to serve in this capacity in May of 1996.

He has now served a one year term of vice president, president-elect and will follow his president's term with one year as past-president.

In this capacity, Hunter gives leadership to the membership, promoting professional improvement and cooperates with Extension administrators for the welfare of the Texas Agricultural Extension Service to assist the citizens of our state.

In addition, Hunter was one of the six recipients of the Distinguished Service Award. Recipients are selected by their peers for their leadership ability, professional growth, civic and community contributions and for their cooperation with members of the TCAAA.

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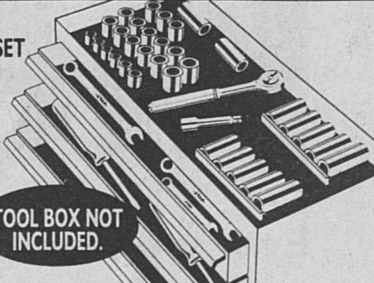
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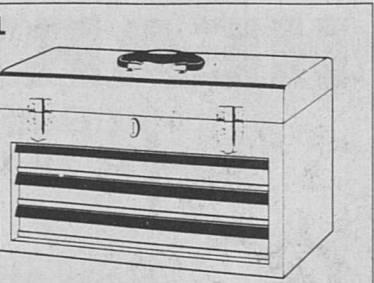
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