

RAIDER REVIEW

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Ag Moos

The Rice High School (RHS) Chapter of Future Farmers of America (FFA) held a hamburger supper and meeting on Aug. 19, at the show barn. The supper gave members and their families a chance to meet the new Ag teacher and FFA sponsor, Mr. Monty Williams.

The group enjoyed hamburgers with all the trimmings, an assortment of chips and numerous desserts. Mr. Williams was the master chef of the hamburgers while mothers supplied the chips and desserts. Brookshire Brothers of Columbus provided the condiments.

The meeting began with the introduction of officers. Afterwards, Mr. Al Mahalic, a Colorado County Fair

Board Committee Member and Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo Commercial Steers Committee Member, informed the group on new and old rules concerning the County Fair's Show. Mr. Williams also mentioned that he would be purchasing livestock for projects.

When asked what his goals for the year are, Mr. Williams stated, "My goal is to make RHS a state recognized program by exceeding all expectations." Mr. Williams expects total participation from the members and "to utilize my program to realize their fullest potential." "I expect the officers to be role models for the rest of the members and to exhibit leadership because they are tomorrow's leaders,"

he stated when asked for his expectations of the officers.

Mr. Williams comes from Lewisville High School - a 5A school in Lewisville, TX. He mentioned that when he first started teaching, he had about 40 FFA members and when he left he had 162 members. He also had numerous winners in the cattle and swine categories at the Dallas/Fort Worth, San Antonio, and Houston Livestock Show and Rodeos.

The 1998-99 officers are Scott Bittner, president; Brett Boenisch, vice president; Stephanie Braden, secretary; Cliff Cerny, treasurer; Brandon Shanks, reporter; Dale Hentzell, chaplain; and Jacob Little, sentinel.



Justin Schneider

Meet the Raider

By Kim Lott

"He is a very dedicated athlete." This is just one way that this week's spotlighted Raider has been described. Standing 5'7" and weighing in at 145 lbs. is Justin Schneider. He plays receiver and wears jersey #82 on varsity.

When asked how he felt about the team, Justin stated, "More people are playing football than usual. At the scrimmage against Van Vleck, we looked pretty good." He feels that the coaches "...are doing a great job on keeping us in shape. They really want

to help us improve."

So, how does Justin feel about playing in a new district? He says, "I hear a lot of the teams are pretty good this year and are going to be tough," but this doesn't keep him from having a positive attitude and a competitive spirit. "I expect the team to do their best and make it to the playoffs. I look forward to a good season."

Justin, a senior, is the son of Leon and Sandy Schneider of Garwood.

On the weekend, he likes to go to dances and hang out with his friends.

Kickbush inspires students at Rice

By Valerie Galvan

On Wednesday, Aug. 19, Rice High School invited Colonel Consuela Kickbush to speak to the student body.

Col. Kickbush is the first woman in Texas to be ranked as a commissioned officer. She served 20 years in the military. When she retired, she was the highest ranking Hispanic woman in the army.

As the assembly began, students had their usual high spirits because they were not in class. Students' regard for Col. Kickbush was one of uninterest. Surprisingly, as Col. Kickbush began to speak, the students began to listen. She instantly delighted everyone with her cheerful mood and humorous manner. She spoke to the students on a personal level.

Attention from the crowd was high. She seemed to be receiving respect from the student body. She ad-

ressed several important issues students face today. Teen pregnancy, troubled homes, gangs, drugs, and life in prison were the most strongly discussed topics. Her touching life stories helped students realize that the world is not always as simple as they think it is.

In closing her speech, she commented that she hoped the students will begin to rethink the direction in which they want their lives to go.

She also asked anyone who wanted to follow in her footsteps to come down from the audience. She gave each of the five students who stepped down a medal from her uniform in hopes that it would give them the inspiration to reach their goals.

Her emotional and heartfelt speech to the students at Rice had several of them commenting that, "She has been the best speaker we've ever had!" Teachers commented, "We notice she had a powerful effect on the



students. If our student body continues to behave that well, we will be sure to have more assemblies for them."

Years from now after students have left Rice, they will be carrying with them the words of wisdom they received from her.

Once again, thank you Col. Kickbush for leaving a part of yourself with us.

Meet the Lady Raider

By Angie Leopold

The Lady Raider stands five foot, eleven inches tall, with brown eyes and long, blonde hair. She is dressed in blue and white, proudly sporting her #14 jersey for the Rice Raider volleyball team. Meet Jennifer Christ, the senior who plays the position of spiker and blocker for the varsity team.

Under instruction of Coach Heard, Jennifer and her teammates practice long hours after school to prepare for the next game. "Games are hard and serious at times," Jennifer comments, "but you're supposed to enjoy yourself as well." The players get pumped up for competition by warming up with loud music. Support from the fans also helps the players stay optimistic on the court.

Jennifer has 100% faith in her team, and she feels that the season is off to a good start. "The team has potential to win and go far this year," says Jennifer. "We all work together to help each other improve." Jennifer

believes that varsity's best features are the back court passers and the strong front line.

Jennifer, playing volleyball for her fourth year in high school, continues to enjoy the sport for the opportunities to compete and meet new people. "The best part about the game is when someone spikes a kill," says Jennifer, "and the worst part is not playing to the best of my ability." She likes being a spiker because the position gives her control and the chance to attack the ball.

Aside from volleyball, Jennifer plays basketball, golf and runs track. She is involved in FTA, FCA and band, serving as a member of the flag corps and as band treasurer.

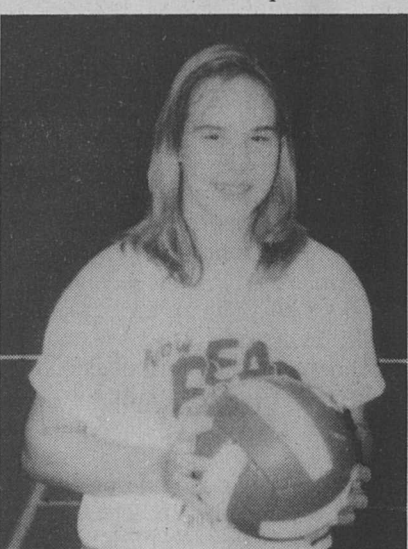
Going to dances and going out with friends are Jennifer's favorite ways to spend the weekends.

After high school, she plans to attend Wharton County Junior College for two years and then transfer to

Southwest Texas State University with interests in the physical therapy or sports medicine fields.

This extraordinary Raider is the daughter of Rick and Debbie Christ of Eagle Lake.

Jennifer says, "the bigger the crowd, the better," so come out to the volleyball games and cheer the Lady Raiders on with school spirit!



Jennifer Christ



Meet the Teacher

By Olivia Mendoza

As you walk down the halls of Rice High School this year, there are several new faces everywhere you look.

One of those new faces belongs to the daughter of Morton and Norma Schott. Ms. Tara Schott is part of the RHS Business Department. She is in charge of teaching accounting, recordkeeping, business law and keyboarding.

Ms. Schott plans to contribute to the education of our students by relating her experiences from her previous careers to our lessons. She is dedicated

to helping many of us enter the business world.

"I feel very welcome here at Rice. The staff and students are very enjoyable," said Ms. Schott. Like many other new teachers, she plans to make a difference in her students' lives.

Good luck to her and the rest of the new staff.



Relief

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Items may be dropped off at Eagle Lake General Store and Lake Lumber Company in Eagle Lake, Garwood Lumber Company in Garwood and Nada Grocery.

Items will be delivered to Del Rio Friday, Sept. 4.

Any help with this project will be greatly appreciated.

Views On Dental Health

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If you wear a full denture, it was made to fit precisely and its shape should remain permanent. But that, unhappily, doesn't go for your gums. A denture can loosen eventually because of changes in the gums and bone supporting the denture.

If this happens to you, don't try to fix or adjust the denture yourself. That is a definite no-no! You could damage the denture as well as injure your gums.

In an emergency, you can use a powder or paste denture adhesive until you are able to see the dentist. When using an adhesive, clean your

denture twice a day and rinse it well under lukewarm water. Before replacing the denture in your mouth, clean any adhesive from your mouth with a damp gauze and rinse with water. Don't keep adding powder or paste to improve the denture's fit. Used constantly, denture adhesives can mask infections and cause bone loss in the jaw, making construction of a new denture difficult.

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Who's Zat?

Who could this little cutie be? The students at Rice High School were shown a picture and asked to guess who she was. The only clue given was that she is a senior.

Joe Romo took a guess and said Caleche Cranek.

Joey Sommerlatte said Angie Leopold. Shaniequa Moody was seriously stumped and James Bacon ventured to reply that this tot was Lisa Valigura.

Bill Ishee, Joel Bagget, Bridget Posada, Brandon Shanks and Dustin Brisco believed that this little angel had to be Misty Jones.

Glen Dromgoole guessed Lauren Sublett then quickly changed his mind and said Misty, too.

Scott Bittner merely glanced at the

picture and stated without hesitation, "Misty Jones." These students were all right.

Misty is the daughter of Gary and Shirley Jones of Eagle Lake.

Misty's future plans are to "make a lot of money and be on Wheel of Fortune."

Misty's most memorable moments at Rice happened when she was

the school mascot her sophomore year.

Her favorite things about being a senior are, "putting the fish to work" and "knowing it's almost over." What she loves best is the "power and Raider Pride!"

Misty has one word of advice for this year's freshmen. "Hang in there," she says. "It won't be long."



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