

This Week's Action!



Date	Team, Time, Place
Thurs., Sept. 3	Raider JV football at Weimar, 6:30 p.m.
Fri., Sept. 4	Lady Raider volleyball vs. Bay City, Here, 4 p.m.
	Raider varsity football vs. Weimar, Here, 7:30 p.m.
Tues., Sept. 8	Lady Raider volleyball at Sacred Heart, 5 p.m.
Thurs., Sept. 10	Raider JV football at Shiner, 6:30 p.m.
Fri., Sept. 11	Lady Raider volleyball vs. Smithville, Here, 4 p.m.
	Raider varsity football vs. Shiner, Here, 7:30 p.m.

Ads for sale

By Cecelia Ruiz, Raider Review Staff

Every year around this time, the Rice High School yearbook staff is busy selling ads. The ads that businesses buy will be put in the 1998-99 school yearbook.

In order to keep the yearbook cost low so that any student can purchase one, the annual staff must sell ads. Ad prices are as follows: 1/8 pages, \$35; 1/4 page, \$45; 1/2 page, \$75; and one full page for \$130. The sponsorship prices are for 1/8 page, \$25; 1/4 page, \$35; 1/2 page, \$60 and one full page, \$100.

Students who purchase yearbooks show them to their parents and relatives. That means getting more advertisement out to the public.

If you would like to purchase an ad and help support the RHS yearbook, please contact Mr. Hajovsky at 234-3535 during school hours.

Lady Raiders loaded with talent and hope

The 1998 Lady Raiders volleyball team is looking forward to having a strong season this year. They are loaded with returning lettermen and talent.

Returning to the starting lineup are seniors Rebal Canaris, Jennifer Christ, Cori Gertson, Lori Grigar, Amalie Kucherka and Fausta Rodriguez.

Seniors Monique Cotton, Amy Moore and Stacy Rodriguez are ready and are filling out the senior leadership positions.

Junior Shanna Waligura also is a starter with junior Angela Phillips backing Grigar up at setter.

Rounding out the varsity team are sophomores Martha Rodriguez and Patricia Najera.

The front line spikers/blockers are powerful and solid this year.

Gertson, 5'11", Honorable Mention All-District last season, is averaging six kills a match and three block kills.

Christ, 5'11", is powerful both as a hitter and a blocker and is averaging six kills a game.

Canaris, 5'7", has a tremendous vertical leap and is also averaging five kills a game.

Waligura, 6'1", is becoming more dynamic every game adding kills and blocks that are terrifying the opponents.

Kucherka and F. Rodriguez also play the front line and contribute strong hits and blocks.

The back court is anchored by veterans Kucherka and F. Rodriguez whose passing and service receive get the ball into play.

Also strong in the back court are Canaris, M. Rodriguez, Najera and Gertson.

Cotton, Moore and S. Rodriguez are also strong defenders in the back court who have the talent to come in at any time and take over.

Grigar is the "quarterback" on the court as the setter.

She is an all-round player who calls plays, goes all over the court to get off outstanding sets, covers the spikers, is a strong passer and a 98% server.

Phillips is also doing an excellent job as second setter and is a good passer and server. She is getting stronger every week.

Najera, F. Rodriguez, Canaris and M. Rodriguez are contributing strong service games with service Aces to

The Lady Raider volleyball team has gotten off to a good start with a 2-3 record for the season with one loss that was a squeaker.

The season started with a strong win against Fayetteville, 11-15, 15-9, 15-5.

In that game, senior Cori Gertson made six spike kills and one block kill. Senior Rebal Canaris, had three spike kills. Senior Amalie Kucherka had two kills and senior Jennifer Christ had three kills and one block kill.

Junior Shanna Waligura was outstanding with six spike kills and two block kills.

Top passing performances were turned in by Fausta Rodriguez, Kucherka, Martha Rodriguez and Canaris. Setter Lori Grigar had a 96% setting game.

The next two games at the Colum-

bus Tournament did not go so well as the team lost to Brenham and Industrial. The team looked at their weak areas and worked on them.

The next game was Tuesday at Weimar. The Lady Raiders got off to a slow start losing the first game 5-15. They came back strong to win the second game 15-11 and battled hard in the third game losing a close one 14-16.

The ladies battled tough and never let up. They showed a tremendous heart and spirit and finished the game determined to make the next game a winning one.

On Friday, St. Joseph (Victoria) came to Rice. Again the team went three games 2-15, 15-12, 15-8 and finished strong and determined. In that exciting match, Christ had eight kills and three block kills.

Gertson made five kills and Canaris had five kills. Waligura had two kills.

Again passing from the back row was very strong with Kucherka, F. Rodriguez, M. Rodriguez and Patricia Najera making a few errors. Najera also contributed strongly with three serving Aces.

Other strong serving performances were M. Rodriguez, Grigar, Kucherka and Monique Cotton.

The next games will be against Brookshire Royal at Royal on Tuesday and Bay City at Rice on Friday. The freshmen and JV teams will also be playing those games plus going to Smithville for a tournament on Thursday and Saturday.

We encourage everyone to come support the Rice Lady Raiders volleyball team. They are exciting, they're good, and strong crowd support really helps spur them on.

Raiders finish pre-season scrimmages

The Rice Raiders football team has completed its pre-season scrimmages for the 1998 football season.

Rice opened up against Van Vleck on Friday, Aug. 21.

The Raiders defense held Van Vleck to less than 100 yards offense on 60 plays.

Offensively, Rice rolled up 350 yards against the Leopards. Senior

fullback Warren Scott rushed for 108 yards on 13 carries.

"I think overall we had a good scrimmage. I was really impressed with our defense," Rice Head Coach Russell Roark said.

Rice traveled to Boling on Thursday, Aug. 27 to face Boling and Palacios in the Raiders final pre-season scrimmage.

Defense again dominated for the Raiders. After a sluggish start Rice was able to shutout the starting offenses of Boling and Palacios.

"I think Jay Knight, Brandon Shanks, Scott, Barrett Thomas, Kevin Godley and Cody Thompson all had a good defensive scrimmage."

The raiders offense went to the air against Palacios and Boling. Junior quarterback Klay Korenek threw for 140 yards and Raiders receiver Jon Godley had 74 yards of receiving.

"Klay threw the ball well, but if we had caught the balls that hit us in the chest Klay would've had another 100 yards passing," Roark exclaimed.

Roark wasn't extremely happy with the blocking of the offensive line. He did cite Shanks, Brandon Besch and Scott Bittner as blocking fairly well.

On the ground Scott rolled for 101 yards on 12 carries.

A lot of questions have been answered in the pre-season, but some still remain.

Those that remain will be answered Friday night when the Raiders host the Weimar Wildcats for the opening game of the 1998 season.

"I believe we will be competitive this season," Roark said. "I hope everybody will come out and support the Raiders Friday night. It should be a good game."

add to the excitement.

There is talent, depth, heart and spirit on this Lady Raider team.

Their goal is to be the best they can as a team and as individuals—and Win District!

LCRA presents resolution to rice growers

Officials of the Lower Colorado River Authority recently presented a resolution from the LCRA Board of Directors to recognize the contributions of the region's rice growers.

Local officials and rice farmers were on hand to receive the resolution from George Cason, LCRA Board member from Colorado County.

The resolution, which singles out rice growers in Colorado, Wharton and Matagorda Counties for praise, was approved recently by the LCRA Board in conjunction with National Rice Month in Sept.

The resolution commends the Texas rice growers for their contributions to the local economy and for their effort to develop improved varieties of rice and to develop new markets for rice at home and abroad.

The resolution also recognizes the long partnership between the rice growers in Colorado, Wharton and Matagorda Counties and the LCRA.

It commends the rice growers of the three counties for their strong support of programs to protect the water quality of the Colorado River and to conserve water used for irrigation.



LCRA officials presented a resolution from the LCRA Board of Directors honoring the region's rice growers. Left to right, Jack Hunter, County Agent, Colorado County; Marian Balke, LCRA customer representative; State Rep. Robby Cook; Mark Boenisch, rice farmer and chair of the Colorado County Rice and Soybean Committee; Colorado County Judge Vince Slominski; Mike Shoppa, LCRA Lakeside Irrigation District; and George Cason, LCRA Board member from Colorado County.

LCRA Photo

RICE CISD MENU

The following is the school lunch menu for Rice CISD from Sept. 2 through Sept. 15. (B) is for breakfast; (L) is for lunch.

Sept. 7: Holiday

Sept. 8: B: blueberry pancake/sausage on a stick, juice, milk; L: beef nuggets, rice with gravy, seasoned broccoli, fruit cocktail, breadstick.

Did You Know...

•Thirty-two states have lotteries.

•Kites, the oldest form of aircraft, probably originated in China about 3,000 years ago.

milk.

Sept. 9: B: muffins, juice, milk; L: hamburgers, ranch wedges, burger salad, rice krispie squares, milk.

Sept. 10: B: breakfast pizza, juice, milk; L: roast with gravy, mashed potatoes, peas and carrots, chocolate chip cookie, hot rolls, milk.

Sept. 11: Fair Day! Holiday! No School!

Sept. 14: B: donuts, juice, milk; L: pizza, tossed salad, peaches, breadstick, milk.

Sept. 15: B: cereal, French toast sticks, juice, milk; L: spaghetti with meat sauce, cheese stick, seasoned corn, garlic bread, fruit salad, milk.

COLUMBUS LIVESTOCK AUCTION REPORT

Sale Every Thursday at 10:30 a.m.

We will be on the air at KULM, Columbus, Wednesdays from 6:30 to 6:45 a.m. and Thursdays, live at ring side, from 2:00 to 2:15 p.m.

The market was stronger and more active this week on all classes and yearling. Better sold \$2-3 hundred higher. The plainer remains slow. Packer cows-bulls sold steady with all major markets with approximately 125 head on hand. We had a house full of buyers and a few new buyers which make for a steady market.

If we can help you with marketing your livestock, please call George Hagan or Art Moeller, 409-732-2622.

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Market Report for Aug. 27, 1998

Animals on hand: 1116; 4 horses, 10 sheep and goats.

Packer cows: higher dressing utility & cutter cows, 33-39/41¢ per lb.; lower dressing utility & cutter cows, 27-33¢ per lb.; light weight canner cows, 17-27¢.

Packer bulls: heavy weight bulls, 43-51¢; utility cutter bulls, 39-43¢; light-weight canner bulls, 37-39¢.

Stocker/Feeder - Calves/Yearlings

Steers #1: 200-300 lbs., 95¢-\$1.06; 300-400 lbs., 95¢-\$1.03; 400-500 lbs., 69-84¢; 500-600, 58-77¢.

Steers #2 & 3: 350-550 lbs., 45-59¢. Heifers #1: 200-300 lbs., 71-81¢; 300-400 lbs., 71-89¢; 400-500 lbs., 67-77¢; 500-600, 65-75¢.

Heifers #2 & 3: 350-550 lbs., 45-57¢.

Stocker cows: good stocker cows & heifers, 375-425 by the head; med. stocker cows & heifers, 300-375 by the head; good cow & calf pairs, \$500-600; med. cow & calf pairs, \$400-500; common cow & calf pairs, \$300-400.

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Property Tax Rates in

This notice concerns 1998 property tax rates for the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's effective tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's rollback tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per \$100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:	
Last year's operating taxes	\$ 3,305.11
Last year's debt taxes	\$ 23,276.62
Last year's total taxes	\$ 28,581.73
Last year's tax base	\$ 8,262,765
Last year's total tax rate	\$.34591 /\$100

This year's effective tax rate:	
Last year's adjusted taxes	\$ 28,366
(after subtracting taxes on lost property)	
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 8,214,474
(after subtracting value of new property)	
= This year's effective tax rate	\$.34531 /\$100

This year's rollback tax rate:	
Last year's adjusted operating taxes	\$ 3,280
(after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for transferred function)	
+ This year's adjusted tax base	\$ 8,214,474
= This year's effective operating rate	\$.03992 /\$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	\$.04311 /\$100
+ This year's debt rate	\$.29769 /\$100
= This year's rollback rate	\$.34080 /\$100

Schedule A
Unencumbered Fund Balances
The following estimated balances will be left in unencumbered property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
Maintenance & Operation	.00
Interest & Sinking	.00

Schedule B
1998 Debt Service
The unit plans to pay the following amounts for long term debt that are secured by property taxes. These amounts will be paid from property tax revenues (or additional sales tax revenues, if applicable).

Description of Debt	Principal or Contract Payment to be Paid from Property Taxes	Interest to be Paid from Property Taxes	Other Amounts to be Paid	Total Payment
Bond (Water)	\$10,000	\$ 7,873	\$ 300	\$18,173
Bond (Sewer)	5,000	2,946	300	8,246
Total required for 1998 debt service			\$ 600	\$ 26,419
Amount of any paid from funds listed in Schedule A			\$ 0	\$ 0
Excess collections last year			\$ 1,948	\$ 1,948
State aid for facilities			\$ 0	\$ 0
Total to be paid from taxes in 1998			\$ 24,471	\$ 24,471
Amount added in anticipation that the unit will collect only 100% of its taxes in 1998			\$ 0	\$ 0
Total Debt Levy			\$ 24,471	\$ 24,471

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rate calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at _____, Colorado County, CAD, 1st Flr., County Courthouse, Columbus, Tx.
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New Antiviral for Infants and Children

In June the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved a new medicine for the prevention of respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) – the most common cause of infections (e.g., pneumonia) in the lower respiratory tract of infants and young children. The new medicine is *palivizumab* (Synagis). RSV is a deadly virus that causes over 4,000 deaths in the US each year. Nearly all infants will have contact with RSV by their second birthday. Children who are especially susceptible to infection from the virus include those who were born prematurely and children under age 6 years who have experienced breathing difficulties as infants. Approximately 100,000 children are hospitalized each year for treatment of this infection.

Until the approval of palivizumab, the only product available for the prevention of RSV was *RSV-immune globulin* (RespiGam), a medicine that is given into the vein (intravenously) of the child. An advantage of palivizumab is that it is given intramuscularly (IM) and can be administered outside the hospital setting. Health experts suggest that high risk children receive a monthly IM injection during the fall and winter months for a total of 5 injections. a/98

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