

This Week's Action!



Date	Team, Time, Place
Thurs., Sept. 17	Lady Raider varsity volleyball at Schulenburg tournament
Friday, Sept. 18	Raider JV football vs. Smithville, here, 6:30 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 19	Raider varsity football at Smithville, 7:30 p.m.
Sat., Sept. 19	Lady Raider varsity volleyball at Schulenburg tournament
Sat., Sept. 19	Lady Raider freshmen volleyball at St. Joseph tournament
Tues., Sept. 22	Lady Raider volleyball at Ganado, 5 p.m.

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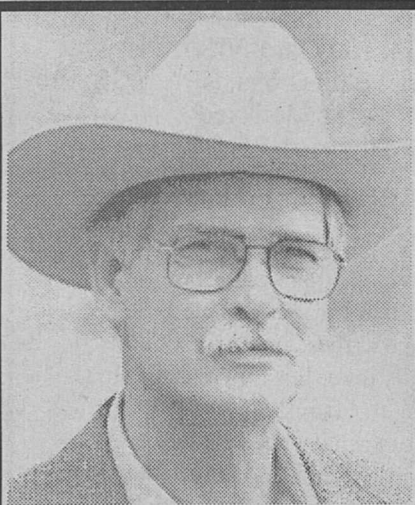
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To the citizens of Colorado County:

Election time is upon us again. In the coming weeks I would like to share with you the reasons why I am the best qualified and best suited candidate to serve as your next county judge. First, I intend to present my credentials and qualifications for the judgment of the people. Second, I intend to lay out my thoughts about how to improve efficiency in county government so that the hard earned tax dollars of our citizens go as far as possible in providing those services which the people expect and demand of county government. Third, I hope to show how my values are more in accord with the average citizen of this county whether he be in agriculture or small business, whether he be a laborer or a professional, for I intend to be a judge of all the people, not just those "who have it made." Fourth, I want to make the case that I can be the best advocate for the interests of this county. In order to represent well you need to be representative: in person and family, in strengths and in weaknesses, the people expect to see in their leaders some reflection of themselves. Finally, I propose to lay out the challenges as I see them that face this county and her people as we move into the 21st Century. There are challenges of economic stagnation and underemployment; there are challenges facing our agricultural community which have been heightened by the recent drought and disastrous fall in commodity prices. There are the challenges of youth and education and juvenile crime and drugs. On the one hand, we must confront these challenges and do the best we can to solve them within the limitations of the resources we have at hand and in the realization that government is not the answer to all of society's problems. On the other hand, we must accept that certain changes are inevitable and will be thrust upon us, but we must confront these changes with the determination to preserve those qualities and values that have built this county and which now make her such an attractive place for those who wish to flee the problems of the city or desire to retire to the simple pleasures of the country.

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FROM THE COUNTY...FOR THE COUNTY

You Can Help Someone Keep This Summer's Heat In Check.

CPL's Neighbor To Neighbor Program Makes A Difference.

This summer's record heat is causing water shortages and pushing electricity usage to all-time highs. The most serious impact, however, is often on the health of our friends and neighbors.

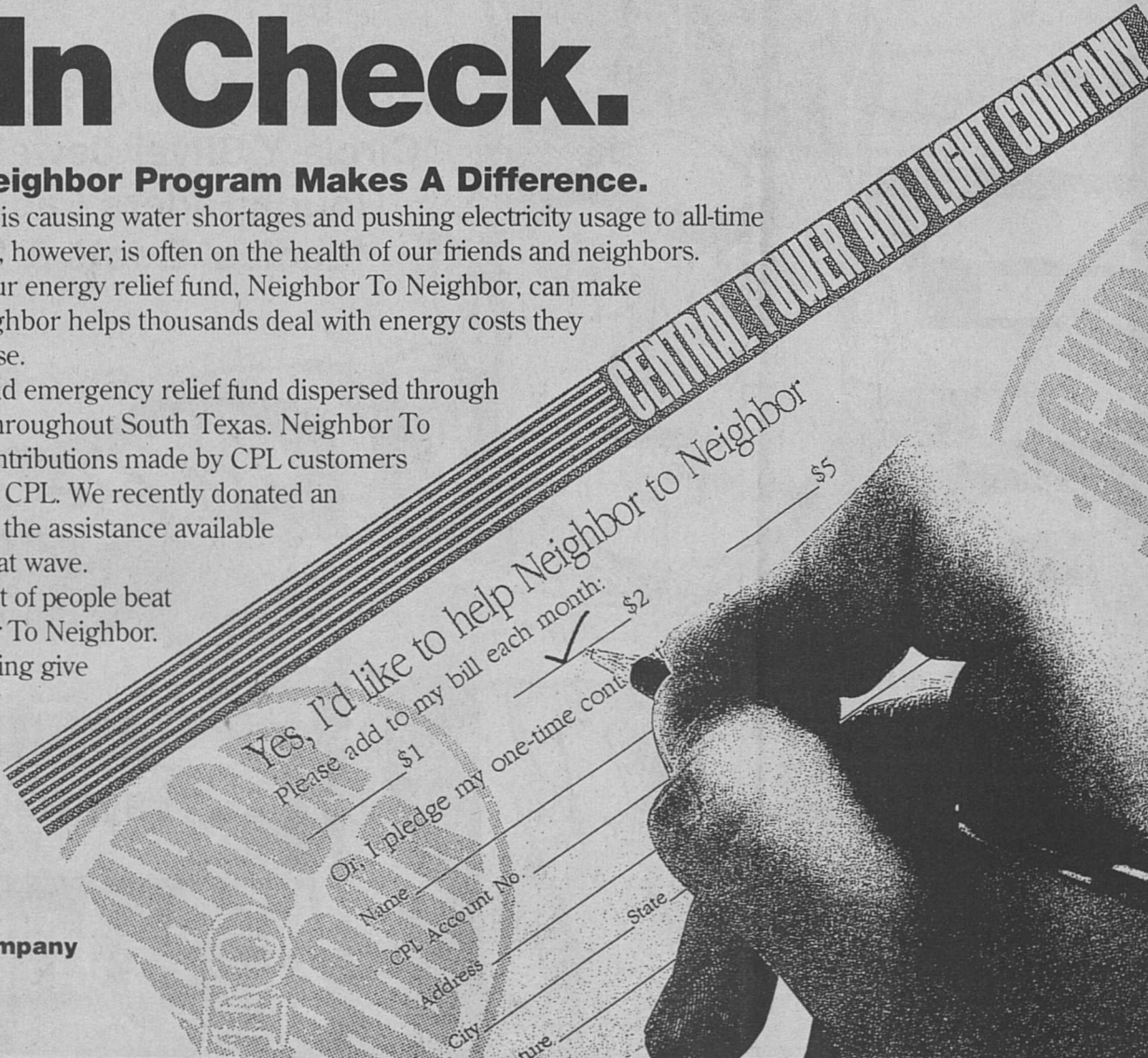
It's at times like this that our energy relief fund, Neighbor To Neighbor, can make a difference. Neighbor To Neighbor helps thousands deal with energy costs they simply could not afford otherwise.

The program is a year-round emergency relief fund dispersed through Community Action Agencies throughout South Texas. Neighbor To Neighbor is funded through contributions made by CPL customers and matching funds donated by CPL. We recently donated an additional \$100,000 to increase the assistance available during this summer's torrid heat wave.

Together, we're helping a lot of people beat the heat this summer. Neighbor To Neighbor. It's just another way we're helping give everyone the power to do good.



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SPORTS

Shiner Commanches scalp Raiders, 22-14

Shiner quarterback David Heiman literally ran the Comanche's offense rushing for a pair of touchdowns during Friday night's 22-14 victory over the Rice Raiders.

"Shiner's quarterback is an impressive athlete. He definitely ran the veer well," Rice Head Coach Russell Roark said of Heiman.

Shiner scored on the second play of the game when quarterback Heiman broke loose for a 57 yard run to the end zone. The Comanche's extra point try was good, putting them ahead 7-0.

Rice put together a lengthy drive that seemed all for naught but Raider punter Warren Scott was hit late and Rice got a first down with five minutes left in the first quarter.

On the second play after the penalty Scott found paydirt on a 10 yard run. Rice kicker Kevin Hoffman's extra point try split the uprights to knot the game 7-7.

The game remained tied going into

the last five minutes of the first half.

Operating out of the veer offense Shiner quarterback Heiman scored on a 30-yard keeper. Shiner tacked on the extra point to pull ahead 14-7.

Rice running back Scott had a 46-yard run putting the Raiders deep in Shiner territory and set up Rice's second touchdown.

Raider quarterback Klay Korenek hit wide receiver Hank Crane on a 13 yard slant. Hoffman's kick was good putting the Raiders in a 14-14 dead-kick with Shiner.

During the next defensive series Rice held Shiner and launched another goal line drive in the last minute of the half.

The Raiders attempted a field goal but could not get the kick off before the end of the second quarter, which left the game tied at 14-14.

Rice got bad news as they headed into the locker room. Running back Scott injured his ankle in the second

quarter and would not play the rest of the game.

Scott, who has been the crux of the Raider offense, finished with a touchdown and 146 yards rushing on 22 first half carries.

The game remained tied 14-14 through the third quarter as both teams trudged around in bad field conditions.

Shiner's Adrian Barrett scored the final touchdown of the night on a 15 yard run. Barrett also added a two-point conversion run putting Shiner ahead 22-14.

"Obviously the loss of Scott is going to hurt us. For now Scott is out indefinitely so we may have to change some personnel but we will stay competitive," Roark said.

With this loss, Rice falls to 1-1.

The Raiders travel to Smithville Friday night. The Tigers defeated Schulenburg 19-8 last week.

Box Score

	Shiner	Rice
First Downs	13	12
Rushes/Yard	39-250	37-191
Passes/Comp./Int.	0-1-0	4-10-1
Passing yards	0	64
Punts/Avg.	1-38	4-34
Fumbles/Lost	4-4	1-1
Penalties/Yards	6-45	11-80

Quarters

Team	1	2	3	4	F
Shiner	7	7	0	8	22
Rice	7	7	0	0	14

Scoring

First quarter
S: Heiman, 57 yard run (Condel kick), 11:08
R: Warren Scott 10-yard run (Hoffman kick), 5:15
Second quarter
S: Heiman, 30-yard run, (Condel kick), 5:00
R: Klay Korenek, 13 yard pass to Hank Crane (Hoffman kick) 3:39
Fourth quarter
S: Barrett 15-yard run (Barrett run), 8:05

Individual Stats

Rushing
Shiner: Heiman, 20/164; Barrett, 15/73; Wright, 4/13.
Rice: Scott, 22/146; Jay Knight, 8/19; Jon Godley, 3/21; Kevin Godley, 3/5.

Passing

Shiner: Heiman, 0-1-0.
Rice: Klay Korenek, 4-10-1, 64 yards, TD.

Receiving

Rice: Hoffman, 2/39; Knight, 1/12; Crane, 1/13, TD.

Varsity girls win volleyball tournament

It was an up and down week for the Lady Raider volleyball players.

On Tuesday, they went to Sacred Heart in Hallettsville for what is always a tough game. The Ladies battled for three games but in the end came up short.

On Friday night, Smithville came to Rice and again the Lady Raiders were on the losing end.

But one of the outstanding characteristics of this team is their tremendous spirit and competitiveness. Saturday, they went to Brookshire Royal for a tournament and came away with FIRST place.

After coming out on top in pool play, they defeated Royal in the semi-finals 15-11; 15-6 and trounced Navasota 15-10; 15-7 for the championship.

Lori Grigar, setter, and Cori Gertson, hitter, received MVP awards.

During that match, both senior Amalie Kucherka and sophomore Martha Rodriguez got off seven serves in a row.

Spike kills and block kills were achieved by Gertson, Shanna Waligura, Rebal Canaris and Jennifer Christ.

Also hitting strong were Kucherka and Fausta Rodriguez.

In the game against Royal, Grigar served eight points in a row, and the entire defense was strong, holding Royal to six points.

This is the first tournament the varsity has won in three years and puts

the team at a record of 5-5.

They face Royal at Rice again Tuesday and then travel to Schulenburg for a tournament on Thursday and Saturday.

7th grade Raiders squeak past Commanches, 6-0

The 1998 Rice Raider 7th grade kicked off its football season with a 6-0 victory over the Shiner Commanches on Sept. 11 at Raider stadium.

Offensively, Raider players looked good on the opening drive of their football careers. They kept the drive going the whole first quarter, but we fumbled the ball in Shiner territory to squelch the hard fought drive.

The 7th graders got on the scoreboard late in the game after a fumble recovery by Derland Sanford. Several plays later, Michael Spears took advantage of Sanford's recovery to score the only touchdown of the game on a two yard run.

The extra point pass from Russell Cranek to Desmond Thomas fell incomplete. The offensive line did a good job of blocking for the most part.

Defensively, the team held the

Commanches scoreless. Anthony Palmer intercepted a pass with two minutes left in the game to halt a Shiner scoring drive and secure the Raider win. Raider defense played very well for most of the game helping bring home a victory for the first game.

These young men are to be congratulated on their performance. Things went very well for the first game of the 7th grade season. The Raiders will be working to correct weaknesses and expect to look even better this week.

The Rice 7th grade travels to Smithville, Sept. 24, where it will play an "A" game and a "B" game. The "B" game starts at 4:30 p.m., and the "A" game begins around 5:30 p.m.

Come out and support your teams as they try to win their second game.

8th grade opens with win

The 8th grade Raider football team opened the season with a 32-0 victory over Shiner last Thursday.

Despite the wet, windy, weather, the Raiders put together a powerful offense and a stingy defense.

Touchdowns were scored by Matt Hentzel, Matt Hinze, Felipe Rangel and Jason Godley. Raynee Rangel scored a two point conversion.

Quarterback Patrick Milentz had a good night passing while receiver Michael Sosa made some outstanding catches.

The line for the Raiders led by Jesus Ortiz, Reggie Ford, Tyreance Dabney, Andrew Varley, Juan Castillo and tight end James Phillips did an outstanding job blocking, making the scoring easier.

A swarming defense led by Ene Lugo, Milentz, Phillips, Ford and Ortiz kept the Commanches scoreless.

Putting up a solid defense from the outside were linebackers F. Rangel and R. Rangel.

The secondary put on the final line of tough defense led by Hentzel, Hinze, Sosa and Rubin Leal.

The entire 8th grade team contributed enormously to the victory. Congratulations to the team!

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