

RAIDER REVIEW

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Lori Grigar chosen DAR Good Citizen

Lori Grigar, daughter of Mike and Melody Grigar of Eagle Lake, has been chosen as the DAR (Daughter of the American Revolution) Good Citizen of the year at Rice High School (RHS).

The organization sponsoring the competition is the John Everett Chapter based in Columbus.

The faculty of RHS was asked to nominate three individuals they felt represented the qualities of leadership, dependability, good attitude and service and patriotism in the school, home and community.

Those chosen were Grigar; Angie Leopold, daughter of Robert and Barbara Leopold; and Barrett Thomas, son of Russell and Robin Thomas.

The three were presented to the Senior Class to choose the one to represent them in further competition.

Grigar will now compete at the local level by writing an essay dealing with some aspect of American History. It will be judged at the County level and then possibly be eligible for state and/or national competition.



Lori Kuykendall presented an informative abstinence-based sex education session to Rice High School Students.

Meet the Raider

By Angie Leopold

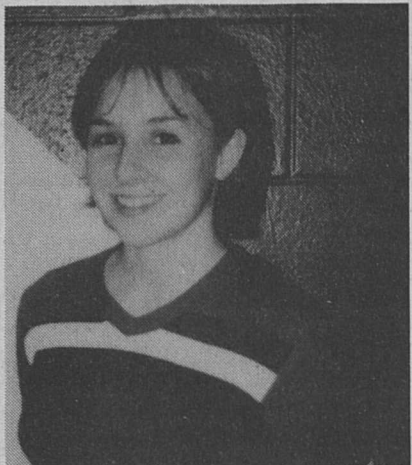
Wearing jersey #79 for the Raider football team is senior, Thomas Marsalia. Thomas plays the position of center and defensive end for the varsity team.

As this year's season ends, Thomas feels positive about the team's accomplishments. He comments that the team "played well this season and is headed in the right direction for future teams." The coaches have encouraged the players to keep striving toward their goals. "They have kept us working hard all year in the weight room and on the field," says Thomas, "making us better as a team and letting us have fun at the same time." While the coaches did their job well, so did the team. "We have made ourselves better by lifting weights and practicing on our own time," he adds.

Thomas participates in band when not playing football. In his spare time, he likes to hang out with his friends and listen to music.

Thomas is the son of Bobby and Becky Marsalia of Eagle Lake.

Although he has not yet decided his choice of major, Thomas plans to attend college next fall.



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Thomas Marsalia

Meet the Raider

By Olivia Mendoza

This week's Raider is none other than Rice High School's wide receiver, Drue Dulany. He is the son of Larry and Lana Dulany of Eagle Lake.

When asked how he felt about this year's football team Drue responded, "We did much better than last year. The coaches were really great and they inspired us to do our best." He feels that the team did everything they could to make this season a memorable one for the seniors. "The important thing is that we played our best," said Drue.

Drue also plans to participate in golf, powerlifting and maybe in track. He enjoys going out and having fun with his friends on the weekends. They described him as "a nice guy."

Drue's plans after high school include enrolling in junior college, then possibly transferring to a major university. He plans to graduate with the class of 1999.



Drue Dulany

Abstinence based sex education given to students at Rice

By Valerie Galvan

On Thursday, Oct. 22, an abstinence based sex education class was given at Rice. The program was given by Lori Kuykendall, director of Teen Outreach at the Women's Pregnancy Center.

The program was coordinated by Debbie Ugarte and was approved by the Health Advisory Council which was appointed by the School Board. Students who returned a signed permission slip attended the class.

Students received information about the dangers of sex by listening to lectures and watching slides. Kuykendall informed students about the dangers of sexually transmitted diseases and about consequences that are more

severe than getting pregnant. They were given alarming statistics about the growing rate of Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STD's) among people under the age of 20.

They were also given information about improper condom usage along with the statistics that prove that condoms do not guarantee protection against STD's and pregnancy. Abstinence, the one method of safe sex that has proven to be 100% effective

against STD's and pregnancy was strongly urged to be practiced, abstinence.

Students were encouraged to wait until marriage to have sex in order to help prevent the spread of deadly diseases and unwanted pregnancies.

It can only be hoped that this generation of teens will learn the consequences of premarital sex and stop the spread of these deadly diseases before it is too late.

Who's Zat?

This darling birthday girl is all dressed up for a party. Who could she be? Students at Rice had little trouble determining her identity when asked to guess, given only one clue—she is currently a senior.

Few people had trouble matching the right person to the picture. Andrew Powers could not quite guess her name, although he later commented, "I thought that was she," when the identity was revealed. After a quick glance, Stacy Rodriguez wrongfully guessed Fausta Rodriguez.

There was not doubt, however, that the cute, little girl in the picture possesses characteristics that still shine in her today.

A few students stared at the picture before presenting a correct guess, but the majority of those questioned stole a mere glance and still could not be fooled by the young face.

Joe Romo, Augustina Ortiz and John Michael Rucka, along with Calche Cranek, Cliff Cerny, Anthony Salinas, Dyana Rees and Ann Capps, all knew this darling face belongs to Valerie Galvan. "Her face looks exactly the same," said Anthony.

When asked which distinguishing feature revealed Valerie's identity, Ann commented, "It was the cheeks, the eyes, the mouth, the nose—every-

thing!" Valerie is the daughter of Carlos and Bella Galvan of Eagle Lake.

In her free time, she enjoys doing volunteer work at the eye clinic. She also likes taking time out from school and relaxing whenever possible.

She is currently president of the drama club and student director for the fall production "Lights Out". She is also editor of the newspaper, president of the National Honor Society and head drum major for the Raider band.

Valerie plans to attend the University of Texas next fall and transfer to medical school to be an obstetrician.



ICE House update

ICE House Youth Center is expanding to include a physical-weight training program and a study hall-computer lab area.

Adult volunteers are still needed on Monday and Tuesday afternoons and early evenings. Anyone interested should contact Erik Cameron, ICE House Youth Director-Minister, at 234-3225; or Rhonda Bridges, ICE House President, 234-7379.

The next meeting of the complete volunteer group will be Sunday, Dec. 13, at 4 p.m.

Thanks to generous recent donations from Christ Episcopal, First Baptist and United Methodist Churches, as well as many Eagle Lake businesses and individuals, the ICE House is now firmly established as Eagle Lake's Christian Community Youth (See ICE, Page 10)

Garwood Irrigation Co. presents conserver awards

The 12th Annual Garwood Irrigation Company Water Conservation Awards were presented Nov. 2 in the meeting room of the Lehrer Interest facilities in Garwood.

Awards of \$250 and \$750 are presented each year to the top water-conserving farmer on each canal rider's system. Two winners are selected each year for each canal rider based on a point system which includes the rice watering season from beginning to end on the Garwood Irrigation Company canal system. There is a winner for fields under 150 acres and one for fields that are over 150 acres. These farmers earn their award by their performance based on the point system.

The winners on Paul Lehrer's canal system were: under 150 acres, Frank and Marilyn Popp and Mark and Cynthia Boensich; and

over 150 acres, Kenneth M. Danklefs.

For canal rider James Till; under 150 acres, Wn. Mark Wied; over 150 acres, Leonita Enterprises.

Canal rider Jeff Wied's winners were: under 150 acres, Pin Oak Farms II.; over 150 acres, Rudy III and Sharon Till.

William N. Lehrer, President of Garwood Irrigation Company, congratulated the winners and praised their award-winning efforts.

Lehrer also said he wishes all the farmers on the system could win an award for their efforts in conserving water.

Water is a very precious commodity and these awards are acknowledgement to the farmers that their hard work in conserving this commodity is greatly appreciated.

Views On Dental Health

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There are two basic causes of crooked, crowded, or poorly-aligned teeth. One is heredity, which can't be prevented. The other is thumb sucking. In this instance, we can help.

Thumb sucking during infancy may be considered normal. In fact, X-rays have shown that babies sometimes begin thumb sucking even before birth. This habit usually stops at 1-1/2 to 2 years. Even up to age 3 or 4 it isn't considered serious.

However, if around age 5 a child continues intense thumb sucking, it may cause permanent tooth buds, which are developing beneath the "baby teeth", to be pushed forward. If

this happens, the permanent upper front teeth, which usually appear at about age 6 or 7, may come in out of place. Thumb sucking can also delay development of mature swallowing habits.

If the thumb sucking habit persists, a dental consultation is advisable. Early interception may prevent the need for more extensive orthodontic treatment later.

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