

Rice Minor League All Stars win first two

The Rice Minor League All Stars team got off to a good start in the district tournament in Bellville over the weekend by defeating Bellville in their opener Saturday night.

They followed with another win against Columbus Sunday night.

The team of talented nine- and 10-year-olds is represented by Jason Laake, Ross Lobpries, Drew Quinney, Dwight Dawson, Bryan Rodriguez, Kurt Stern, Trey Staff, Curtis Williams, Clayton Bowen, Taylor Cook, Sam Rodriguez and Daniel New.

Coaches are Ricky Gott, Wayne Bowen and Greg Lobpries.

In Saturday's game, due to the 10-run rule, it took the Rice team only four innings to beat Bellville handily by a score of 18-4.

Lobpries started on the hill for Rice and had an outstanding performance, going three innings and allowing only one Bellville infield hit.

Of the nine possible outs, he recorded eight strikeouts.

Laake relieved Lobpries in the fourth inning and was also a dominant force on the mound, striking out the side to end the ball game.

The young All Stars hit the ball well and ran the bases aggressively, scoring 18 runs in only four innings.

Hitters for Rice were Laake, B.

Rodriguez and Staff with two hits each; S. Rodriguez had a double; and Quinney collected a single.

Every player on the squad contributed by running the bases well and scoring runs.

Sunday night's contest against Columbus was much more exciting, although both teams committed numerous errors, running up the final score to 23-18.

After Rice scored five runs in the

top of the first inning, Laake mounted the hill for Rice with a lead that was never lost.

Again, Laake had a good performance, striking out four in the three innings he pitched. He kept his composure and threw strikes even after his defense committed blatant errors.

He was relieved by Quinney in the fourth inning.

Quinney finished the game for Rice, recording five strikeouts.

The 23 runs scored by Rice were again the result of good hitting and smart base running.

Hits were collected by Laake with two singles; Lobpries with a single and two triples; Quinney with three doubles; Dawson with a single and a double; and Stern with a single.

The Rice Minor League All Stars were scheduled to battle the Washington County All Stars Tuesday night at 8 p.m.

American Legion installs officers

W. Cherry-M. Perry Post 108 of the American Legion held a ladies night and installation of officers June 29 at Taco Tony's Restaurant.

After a welcome by Interim Commander Fred Frnka and a delicious meal of Mexican foods, an interesting program was presented by Gary Lacina, Manager of the Colorado County Juvenile Facility in Eagle Lake.

Lacina discussed the various stages of training at the juvenile facility. He said that there are 96 cadets at the local boot camp although it is capable of handling 100.

He told the Legionnaires and ladies that plans "are on hold" at this time for the possible construction of a juvenile facility here for females.

He was accompanied to the meeting by two senior cadets from the juvenile facility, Basilio Garcia and Ernesto Gonzales.

They joined in discussing programs, habits, and training underway at the local camp.

They and Lacina answered many questions about life at the juvenile facility where both have been confined for over a year and have achieved leadership roles among the cadets at the local facility.

Acting Legion Post 108 Commander Frnka presented citations from the national organization for 50 years of continuous membership in the Eagle Lake Post to Louis J. Muzny and W.J. (Ted) Brunner.

Frnka listed several dates for activities sponsored by Legion Post 108. The annual "flag disposal" ceremony will be held Sept. 21; miniature flags will be placed on graves of deceased veterans on Nov. 10 in observance of Veteran's Day; the annual Ladies Night Christmas social is set for Dec. 7; and the annual distribution of Toys

For Children in Needy Families will be held from 9 a.m. to 12 noon on Dec. 23.

To end the program, Frnka installed 1999-2000 officers including: Elmer Struss, first-vice commander; Orville Powers, second vice-commander; Walter L. Bauer, adjutant; Henry Kretzschmar, finance officer; Robert Griffith, service officer; Ted Brunner, judge advocate; Hugh Sheridan, historian; Leon Spanihel, chaplain; J.K. Davidson, sergeant-at-arms; and Rollin Baker, and Raymond Thomas, trustees.



Interim Legion Post Commander Fred Frnka, center, is shown presenting certificates for 50 years of continuous membership to Louis J. Muzny, left, and W.J. (Ted) Brunner, right.

MEMORIALS

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In memory of Rose Lange: Marshall, Shrea & Clint Corley, Charles & Madelyn Sharp, Xi Psi Sorority, Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Anderson; in memory of Jack Willis: Betty Wegenhoff; in memory of J.W. Shavers: Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Anderson; in memory of Estrella Truly: Bruce Waddell, Mr. & Mrs. Jack Harrell, Jean Thornton, Diane Taylor, Mr. & Mrs. A.W. Jones, Mr. & Mrs. Randel Jones and Reed;

In memory of Tommy Scott: Mr.

& Mrs. J.R. Thomas, Mr. & Mrs. George Cason; in memory of Fred Isenhower: Wintermann & Co., Mr. & Mrs. Wm. H. Harrison Jr.; in memory of August F. Schaer: Dorothy Austin, Erlene Listowski; and in memory of Excel Richter Domet: Rice Industries Inc.

Sebesta receives top honors

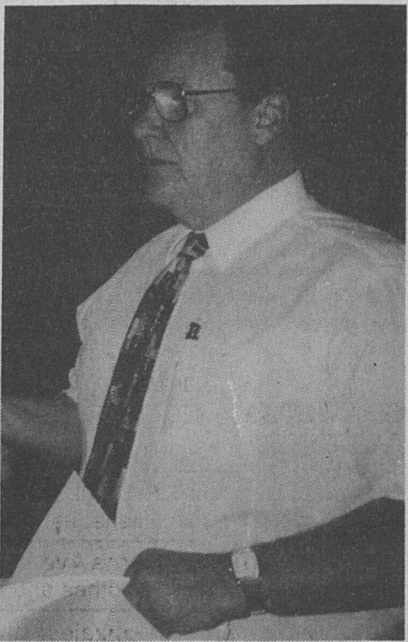
Jodi Franta Sebesta, owner of Jodi and Company in Columbus, received top honors at the Texas Professional Photographer's convention in Kerrville in June.

Jodi's credentials include Master Photographer and Photographic Craftsman degrees.

An image of Jeannie Heffley Higgins, daughter of Ervin and Mary Kay Heffley of Columbus, won a distinguished print award in the Wedding Category. The image was entitled "Diamonds Are a Girl's Best Friend".

The other image taking top honors was an illustrative portrait of Karin Barrett, daughter of Charles G. and Sandy Barrett of Columbus.

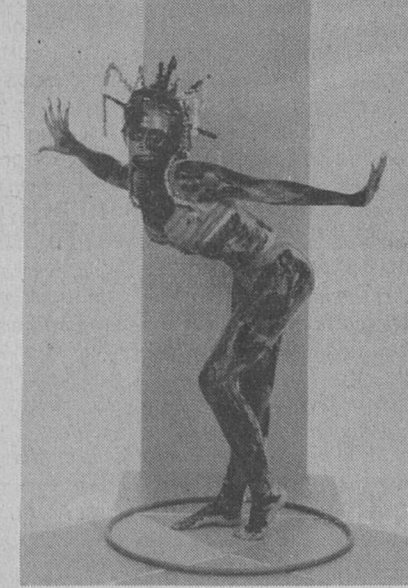
The photograph, entitled "Different Strokes", won the Best Overall Illustrative photograph of the convention and also the Best Illustrative photograph by a Master Photographer.



Gary Lacina, Manager of the Colorado County Juvenile Facility in Eagle Lake, presented the program at the recent American Legion gathering.



"Diamonds Are A Girl's Best Friend"



"Different Strokes"

Athletics

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from Garwood School. Eagle Lake students may be picked up from three different locations. The first stop at 6:30 a.m. will be at the Eagle Lake Middle School. The bus will then go to Dan's Minute Stop and the final stop will be at B&B Foods at around 6:45 a.m.

This bus will also stop at the Altair Post Office on the way to the high school.

All athletes need to make sure to plan ahead on their rides to the high school.

Football and volleyball practices will begin at 7:30 a.m. and will be over no later than 12 noon. Buses will return all athletes back to their communities. Begin planning for your rides now!

Schedule of football/volleyball practices (before school)

Aug. 4: 7-7:30 a.m., lockers, locks, equipment, etc., will be issued

Aug. 5-9: practice from 7:30 a.m.-12 noon (tentative)

Aug. 10: school begins.

Coach Russell Roark invites all high school boys and girls to participate in athletics this year.

"We have approximately 100 boys and 90 girls enrolled in athletics. We will always welcome anyone who wants to participate in any sport at Rice High School."

Remember, if you want to play any sport during the school year, you must be enrolled in either fourth period boys' athletics or seventh period girls' athletics. No Exceptions!

Continue to have a great summer and we hope to see you soon.

Happy 31st Birthday
Melody Ann Hemphill
From Your Husband and Children

Belated Happy 26th Birthday
Roy "Bingo" Johnson Jr.
From Peggy, Ashley, E.J., Sarah, Racheal and Carol

KIDS IMMUNIZATION CLINIC & HEALTH FAIR

Where: Rice Medical Center
When: Sat., July 24, 1999
Time: 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Free to the Public (Bicycle Safety Classes- 11:00 a.m. & 12:00 noon)

Bicycle Safety Classes
"Go Fish"
Finger Printing
Snacks
Face Painting

Rice Medical Center is providing this **FREE** immunization clinic as a community service. A parent or guardian must accompany children and should bring a copy of their current shot records. Medicaid recipients should bring their number(s).

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Physicians and pharmacists sometimes use the term *noncompliance* to refer to any situation in which people do not take medicines as they have been prescribed. For example, it is reported that only about half of the 1.6 billion prescriptions written in the US each year are taken as they are intended by prescribers. There are many reasons why noncompliance occurs. With older persons there may be problems associated with not being able to read the prescription label or hearing problems that may lead to misunderstanding at the time prescriptions are dispensed. Researchers have noted a gender problem also — men tend to be less reliable at taking medicines properly than are women. Some attribute this to the fact that women tend to take more medicines than men and are more accustomed to the drug-taking process.

Improved compliance starts with a better understanding of the medicines that one takes for each health problem. If you do not understand why a particular drug is prescribed, ask questions. If you live alone and have trouble hearing or reading, ask a neighbor or friend to help you. Also, commercial reminder devices are available to help you remember to take medicines at the intended times.