

# SPORTS



## Foot Facts



By Dr. Eric R. Tepper, Podiatrist  
**CLUBFOOT**

Clubfoot, or equinovarus, is a common birth defect caused by a combination of hereditary and other factors that may affect prenatal growth. The foot twists inward and down, and the heel cord is often tight, making it impossible to bring the foot to a normal position without help. If both feet are affected, the toes point toward each other. The painless condition does not cause problems until the baby tries to stand or walk. If left untreated, the ankle remains twisted and the foot cannot move normally. An awkward gait develops and can lead to infection, calluses, slowed growth in the leg, and arthritic symptoms. When just one foot is affected, that foot and calf become smaller than the other.

Whether feet are brand new or have a few miles on them, don't wait to see if their problems will "just go away." Some conditions like clubfoot definitely won't, and most others probably won't, and you certainly don't want to be left with more serious, harder to fix problems later on. Feet of all ages deserve the comprehensive professional attention you'll find at our office at Rice Medical Center. Please call 234-5571 for an appointment. I am there every Tuesday.

P.S. Treating clubfoot usually involves casting the affected area or performing surgery to correct the condition.

## Coaches get first look at 1999 Raider squad

Last Friday night in Van Vleck was the Raider coaches' first chance to see what was in store for this young team.

Going into the scrimmage, Coach Russell Roark was very much undecided as to how his Raiders would be this year. "We are very young and inexperienced," Coach Roark stated. "We didn't even know for sure if our team was ready to play. Half of our players don't shave yet."

When the Raiders arrived in Van Vleck, there was a feeling of uncertainty.

Soon after the scrimmage started, the Raiders had taken total control. The Raiders defense held Van Vleck to three first downs for the night.

"I had to really appreciate these guys for the way they played. Everyone was playing reckless and with total abandon." Several big hits were recorded by Raider players leading to several turnovers.

Offensively, the Raiders need time and a bunch of repetitions. "We have no senior starters on the offensive line. As a matter of fact, we have no senior lineman period. We need a bunch of repetitions and a little more experience."

The Raiders did, however, move the ball up and down the field. Turnovers hurt the Raiders and was the difference between them scoring twice and six times. "We will eliminate turnovers," stated Coach Roark.

Thursday, the Raiders scrimmage Boling at Raider Stadium. The Rice Raider Booster Club will be selling memberships at the scrimmage. You won't have to pay at the gate if you pay for a membership.

Also, there will be homemade ice cream given away at the scrimmage. See you Thursday!

Entry deadline is Sept. 17...

## Colorado County Hay Show is Oct. 6

The Colorado County Hay Show will be held Wednesday, Oct. 6, beginning at 4 p.m. at the Frelsburg Fire Station.

The County Hay Show provides an excellent opportunity for producers to test hay for protein levels. This type of information helps to better prepare for supplemental feeding during the winter months.

This has been an excellent year for hay production, so we should have good entries representing all of the varieties planted in the County.

## This Week's Action!



Date	Team, Place & Time
Thurs.-Sat. ....	Lady Raider varsity volleyball at Shiner
Aug. 26-28	Tournament
Thurs., Aug. 26 ..	Rice football vs. Boling (scrimmage), Here, 5:30 p.m.
Fri., Aug. 27 .....	Lady Raiders F & JV volleyball at Gonzales, TBA
Tues., Aug. 31 ....	Lady JV & varsity volleyball vs. Royal, Here, 5 p.m.
Thurs., Sept. 2 ....	Raider freshman football vs. Weimar, Here, 6:30 p.m.
Friday, Sept. 3 ....	Raider varsity football at Weimar, 7:30 p.m.

## Collier-Sharp football report available on line

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### CURETTAGE OR SCALING

Are you a victim of a plaque attack? The villain is a sticky, colorless film of bacteria that forms on your teeth. If not removed regularly through the modern dental method of curettage or scaling, it can cause cavities and/or gum (periodontal or gingivitis) disease. Experts estimate that three out of every four adults are troubled with plaque accumulation at some time in life.

Dental curettage scrapes accumulated tartar and bacteria from under the gum line as well as from the surface of the tooth's root. It is this scraping that helps uproot and cleanse away tartar (hardened mineral deposits) or calcu-

lus (concrete-like mineral) from both teeth and gums.

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## ABOUT TOWN...

•Jamarcus A. Brooks, son of Oscar M. and Shirley A. Brooks of Eagle Lake, has graduated from the Army Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) Advanced Camp at Ft. Lewis, Tacoma, Washington.

After successfully completing advanced camp and graduating from college, he will be commissioned as a second lieutenant to serve in the U.S. Army, National Guard or reserve.

Brooks is a 1998 graduate of Rice High School.

•Bessie Birdwell was honored with a surprise birthday party July 25 given by her family and close friends at her home. She celebrated her 79th birthday with brisket with all the trimmings and the company of her relatives and friends.

## 87th Infantry Division WWII reunion scheduled

Sept. 26 to Oct. 3, the 87th (Golden Acorn) Infantry Division will hold and celebrate its 50th Anniversary Reunion at the Drawbridge Estates in Ft. Mitchell, Kentucky.

The 87th Infantry Division was activated and trained as a combat Infantry Division in both World Wars.

In 1917, the Division joined Gen. Pershing's AEF and as it was being assigned to the Western Front, the Armistice was signed.

In World War II, the Division went into combat at Metz, France.

During 154 days of almost continual combat, the Golden Acorn Combat Team fought in France, Belgium,

Luxembourg and Germany.

It advanced more than 345 miles in the European Theater, taking 63,338 prisoners and liberating hundreds of towns.

Veterans of the famous "Battle of the Bulge", crossing of the Moselle and Rhine Rivers, and the "lightning streak" in pursuit of the Nazis across the heart of Germany, fighting many bitter battles from the once impregnable Siegfried Line to the Czechoslovakia Border.

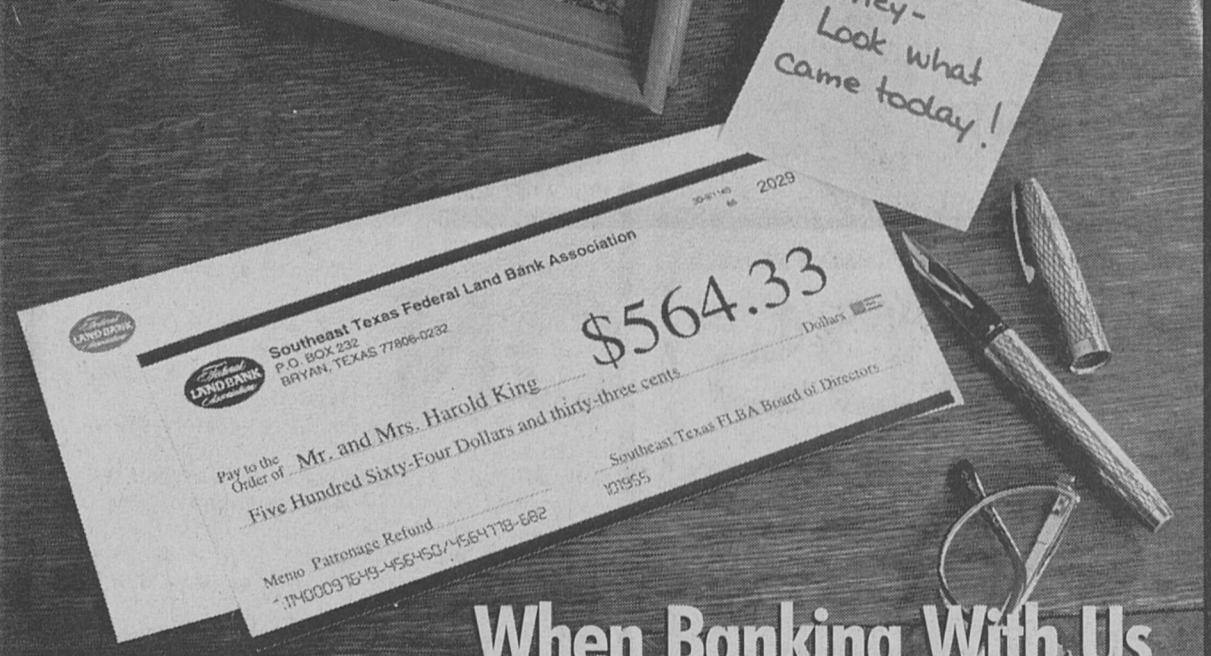
The combat ability of the 87th Infantry Division was held in high regard by Gen. George Patton, Commander of the U.S. Third Army.

This Division received 3 Bronze Battle Stars for its most valiant efforts in the battles of the Ardennes, Rhineland and Central Europe.

For additional information on the 87th Infantry Division Reunion and 50th Anniversary contact, Gladwin Pascuzzo, 2374 N. Dundee Ct., Highland, Michigan 48356-3716; or phone 248-887-9005.

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