

# SPORTS

## Lady Raiders' season stands at 2-5

The Lady Raiders fell to the Lady Wildcats Tuesday, Nov. 16, by the score of 54-27.

Leading the scoring was Erica Dunmore with 10 points.

Leading rebounders were Dunmore, 8 and Kendra Colson, six.

Leader in steals and assists was Dunmore with two.

The coach stated, "We are 9 of 68 from the floor. That's 13%. We can't beat anyone shooting like that."

On Thursday, Nov. 18, the Ladies participated in the Port Lavaca-Calhoun tournament.

They lost to Calhoun by the score of 66-56.

Leading the team in scoring was Dunmore with 14; Cookie Johnson with 13; and Keishae Sewell with 12.

Leading rebounders were Sewell, nine; Janna Janish and Dunmore with seven each.

Leaders in steals and assists, C. Johnson and Dunmore, three each.

"We fought back from a 36-12 first half deficit and cut the lead to four with just over a minute left but, Calhoun, did a good job of hitting their free throws down the stretch," stated the coach.

The Ladies then faced off against Victoria's St. Joe's and lost 59-38.

Dunmore scored 18 points. Leading rebounders were Dunmore and Janish with six each and Odyssey Johnson, with five.

Leading in steals and assists were Dunmore and C. Johnson with two each.

The coach stated, "St. Joe's did a great job of getting the ball inside to their big girls. They got us in quick foul trouble and we were never able to recover. We fought so hard in the game before with Calhoun that we flat ran out of gas. My girls showed a lot of guts today. We just didn't have enough at the end."

The Lady Raiders bounced back to beat the Refugio Ladycats in the consolation game by the score of 53-37.

Leading scorers were Dunmore, 19; Janish, 12; Crystal Alcalar, 10; and Sewell, nine.

Leading rebounders were Sewell, 13; and Janish, nine.

Leaders in steals and assists, Dunmore, six steals, five assists; and C. Johnson, four steals.

"It's nice to win consolation in our first tournament. We're starting to play a little more like a team and if we keep on improving, we'll be O.K. going into district. Dunmore and Sewell were both named to the All-Tourney Team," the coach stated.

On Saturday, Nov. 20, the Kenedy Lady Leopards crept passed the Lady Raiders by a score of 45-41.

The coach said, "It was game that we definitely should have won. We were ahead by eight going into the fourth quarter but just lost our composure."

Leading the scoring was Dunmore with 16 and Sewell with 15.

Leading rebounders were Sewell, 12 and Dunmore, seven.

Dunmore had four steals and seven assists; while C. Johnson had three steals and two assists.

The Lady Raiders beat the Ganado Maidens on Monday, Nov. 22, by the score of 49-39.

"We did a good job of overcoming a poor shooting night. The girls fought hard and pulled out a big win," stated the coach.

Leading the scoring was Sewell, 23; Janish, 12 and Dunmore with 10.

Leading rebounders were Sewell, 17; and Janish 12.

Sewell had three steals; Dunmore, six steals and five assists; and Tisha banks had three assists.

The Royal Lady Falcons beat the Lady Raiders by the score of 53-34 on

Tuesday, Nov. 23.

"We had a terrible night shooting. Royal has a good team but we very easily could have played a much closer game. Shooting 10% from the field will get you beat every time," said the coach.

Leading scorers were Janish, 10; and Sewell, nine.

Leading rebounders were Janish 12; and Sewell, eight.

Dunmore lead the team with four steals.

### This Week's Action!



Date	Team, Place & Time
Thurs., Dec. 2	Lady Raider 8th grade at Hitchcock, 5 p.m.
Thurs., -Sat.	Lady Raider varsity at Yoakum Tournament
Thurs., -Sat., Dec. 2-4	Raider basketball teams at East Bernard Tournament, TBA
Tues., Dec. 7	Lady Raider JV & V at Living Waters, 4:30 p.m.
Thurs., -Sat., Dec. 9-11	Raider basketball teams vs. Cuero, Here, 5 p.m.
Thurs., -Sat., Dec. 9-11	Lady Raider 7th & 8th grade at Columbus Tournament, TBA
Fri., -Sat., Dec. 10-11	Raider varsity at Needville Tournament
	Raider JV at El Campo Tournament
	Raider freshmen at Columbus Tournament
	Lady Raider varsity at Royal Tournament
	Lady Raider freshmen at Palacios Tournament

## Local golfers take second in National Scramble

Four golfers and a golf pro, all representing Stephen F. Austin (SFA) Country Club at San Felipe, tied for second place in the Net Division of the 1999 Oldsmobile Scramble National Championship.

Amateur golfers Keith Barrett, Jay McClung, Glen Sunderman and Joe Wellborn and golf pro Bobby Browne competed in the four-day, 72-hole tournament held Oct. 6 through 10 in Lake Buena Vista, Florida.

Fifteen hundred golfers from around the U.S. fought it out in two divisions on four Walt Disney World courses and two off-property courses.

The SFA team's score of 222 tied them with the team from Ocean City Golf and Yacht in Berlin, Maryland, in the Net Division.

The first place finishers were from the flat Creek Club in Peachtree City, Georgia, and had a score of 221.

The Oldsmobile Scramble, the world's largest amateur golf tournament, featured 300 five player teams competing for the bragging rights - 150 teams in the Net Division and 150 teams in the Gross Division. The teams were made up of four amateur golfers and one PGA professional.

SFA pro Bobby Browne stated that 24 teams qualified for the final round in his division.

Players play three 18-hole rounds to qualify. The 24 low teams then play the final round on Sunday.

When the team of Barrett, McClung, Sunderman, Wellborn and Browne teed off, they were two strokes behind the leaders, then ended up tied with the leaders for second

place. The team that won came from four strokes back by shooting the best round of the tournament, ending up with a score of 53.

Browne said the trip to the national competition started with a local qualifier at SFA.

"We hold a local qualifier at our golf course and the four amateur players-Jay, Keith, Glen and Joe - won the local qualifier as a foursome. I, as a golf professional, went with the winners and played in the sectional golf tournament at Columbia Lakes in W. Columbia. We won the Net Division there and by winning, we qualified for the national tournament which was held at Disney World," Browne said.

The teams played on Palm, Magnolia, Eagle Pines and Lake Buena Vista, all Disney courses, and on Celebration and Falcon's Fire golf courses off the Disney property.

The 72-hole competition is the culmination of tournament qualifying for 100,000 amateurs held at nearly 2,000 golf courses through the year.

More than 1.5 million golfers have participated in an Olds Scramble since it began in 1984. Nearly 2,000 local tournaments are held each year in 48 states. In 1999, local qualifiers advanced to one of 150 sectional championships, with two teams, one net and one gross, advancing to the National Championships from each sectional.



The team of Keith Barrett, Jay McClung, Bobby Browne, Glen Sunderman and Joe Wellborn finished second in the 72-hole Oldsmobile Scramble. Photo Courtesy of Glen Sunderman

## Varsity boys lose to Hallettsville, 59-57

The Rice Raider Varsity basketball team lost a tough one to Hallettsville on Tuesday, Nov. 23.

"After starting out down 14-2 in the first quarter, we played very well in the second and third quarter. We held a 13-point lead late in the game only to lose our second game of the

season at the buzzer. We missed several crucial free throws that would have put the game away," stated the coach.

Leading scorers were Adrian Middleton, 20; Quentin Whitfield, 11; Jesse Upson, eight; Conrad Diggs, six; Jason Barrow, five; Chaston Thomas,

four; Dustin Brisco, two; and Ben Ortiz added one point.

Leading rebounders were Whitfield, 13; Norris Powell, eight; and Middleton, seven.

Upson had seven steals and five assists; Barrow, three steals, two assists; and Whitfield had three blocks.

## Freshmen rope Horns, hoofed by Brahmas

The Rice freshman boys' basketball team defeated the Schulenburg Shorthorns in the consolation game played at Rice High School.

Michael Cooper had 13 points; Tyreance Dabney had 11 points; and Jesus Ortiz, 10.

Defensive standouts were Ricky Cunningham and Jason Godley.

Dabney had nine rebounds.

The Raiders were defeated by the Hallettsville Brahmas, 39-41.

Leading scorer was Cooper with 20.

Defensive standouts were Cunningham and Michael Sosa.

Did You Know... The northernmost city in the U.S. is Barrow, Alaska.

## Adolescent sex brings multitude of problems to children, society

By Patricia Sulak, M.D. Sadly enough, many teenagers now start sexual activity as early as 13

JV boys lose 58-53 to Hallettsville

The Rice Raider JV team fell to the Hallettsville Brahmas on Tuesday, Nov. 23, by the score of 58-53.

Leading scorers were Marquez Johnson with 18; Edwin Miller, 17; Craig Dabney, 10; Jermal Wright, four; and Cody Seay and Acey Banks with two points each.

or 14 years old. Statistics reveal the severe medical, social and economic consequences of sexual activity during adolescence.

However, for those adolescents with access to the facts, a revolution is underway. Programs such as *Worth the Wait*, a sex education program developed by Scott & White Memorial Hospital and Clinic in Temple, are making major inroads in assuring that adolescents know the ramifications of their sexual activity, including the medical, socioeconomic and legal consequences. These programs have curricula based entirely on medically sound facts and are typically partners

with area school districts. Worth the Wait advocates delayed sexual activity, and is currently being used in 12 Texas school districts. *Worth the Wait* is unique in that it includes components specifically tailored for adults, kids and even health-care professionals.

Other programs, such as those that support public pledges of virginity, are also receiving high marks. It's really simple... give adolescents and their parents the facts, and they will have the information to make an informed choice.

And those facts are definitely disturbing:

When adolescents have babies, generations of problems begin. The Robin Hood Foundation report entitled "Kids having Kids" found that adolescent mothers typically have lower levels of education-only 3 of 10 earned a high school diploma by age 30. They also have higher rates of single parenthood-only 19% wed the fathers of their first child, and a substantial number rely on public assistance-more than 70% end up on welfare. The same is true for adolescent fathers, who were also found to have a significantly lower education attainment and annual income. Adolescent pregnancy also carries a higher risk of pregnancy complications for mothers and neonatal problems in their children.

In 1995, 13.1% of all deliveries in the U.S. were to teenage mothers, representing 512,115 births. The cost of adolescent pregnancy to society is high... about \$29 billion a year for children born to teenage mothers.

The less visible but perhaps more dangerous threat to our children is the sexually transmitted disease (STD) epidemic. The presence of herpes (HSV-2) has increased 30% overall in the last 20 years and has quintupled in white teenagers.

In 1995, teenagers accounted for (See Sex, Page 8)

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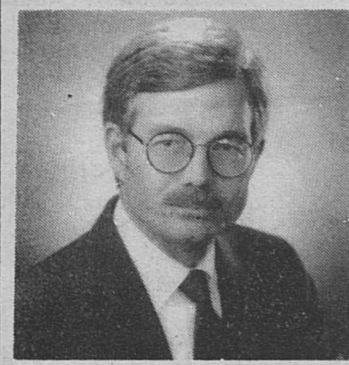
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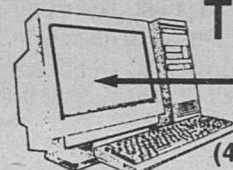
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Studies show that diabetics accumulate increased amounts of plaque, probably because they have less saliva to help remove it. It is this greater accumulation of plaque that is the primary factor that begins the destruction of gums and bone.

The good news is that periodontal disease can be treated successfully if diagnosed early enough. Everyone with diabetes should have a complete periodontal examination, consisting of analysis of plaque, inflammation of the gums, periodontal pockets, bone loss, tooth mobility and vitamin C intake. Probably the best advice we can leave you with is to see your dentist frequently - every three to four months.

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