

SPORTS

7th grade Raiders play in Columbus tourney

On Friday, Dec. 10, the 7th grade Raiders faced the La Grange Leopards in the first round of the Columbus Tournament.

In a game that had the Raiders send the Leopards to the foul line 22 times while only going to the line six times themselves, was tough to overcome. Also, the Leopards totally dominated both the offensive and defensive boards the entire game.

Scoring for the Raiders in the 31-18 loss were Jeramie Hemphill and

Emerson Dawson with five each; Charles Huffman, four; and Brandon Sims and Gary McTear each had two points.

It is very hard to win a ballgame when the opponent gets five attempts to score on a given possession and you only get one attempt.

On Saturday, Dec. 11, the Raiders played a very competitive game with the Columbus Cardinals.

The Raiders had a 6-4 lead at the end of the first quarter and were tied 8-

8 at halftime.

During the third quarter, it seemed as though nothing would go in for the Raiders. Whatever the Cardinals shot they made, as Columbus outscored the Raiders 12-3 to take a 20-11 lead at the end of the third.

The Raiders showed a lot of determination in the fourth quarter, but ended up losing the game 24-19.

Scoring for the Raiders were Hemphill with seven; Thomas and Huff-

man, four each; and Dawson and Sims, two each.

The Raiders play was much more improved against Columbus. The guys played with much more intensity and were aggressive in rebounding, according to their coach.

The Raiders were scheduled to play Needville Monday, Dec. 13, then head for the holidays before resuming action Monday, Jan. 3, here against Sealy.

Freshmen Raiders split games, win consolation

The Rice Raider freshman team lost to the Edna Cowboys, 29-35.

Leading scorers were Jesus Ortiz, eight points; and Ricky Cunningham, six.

The leading rebounder was Reggie Ford. Top defensive players were Jason Godley and Michael Sosa.

They then played Edna in the East Bernard tournament, losing 28-46.

Leading scorers were Cunningham and Ford with six each.

Leading rebounder was Ford.

The Raiders beat Danbury, 31-21.

Leading scorers were Ortiz and Godley with eight each.

Leading rebounder was Ford.

Top defensive players were Cunningham and Godley.

Rice then barbecued the East Bernard Brahmas, 40-35, to win the consolation trophy.

Leading scorers were Matthew Hinze, nine points; and Ortiz, eight.

Leading rebounder was Ford.

Top defensive players were Hinze and Godley.

This Week's Action!



| Date | Team, Place & Time |
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| Thurs., Dec. 16 | Lady Raider 8th grade vs. Needville, Here, 5 p.m. |
| | Raider basketball at Living Water, 5 p.m. |
| Fri., Dec. 17 | Lady Raider basketball vs. Weimar, Here, 5 p.m. |
| Mon., Dec. 20 | Lady Raider JV at Katy, 10 a.m. |
| Rice CISD Christmas break: Dec. 20-Dec. 31 | |

JV boys lose three in a row

On Tuesday, Nov. 30, the Raider JV was roped by the Edna Cowboys, 37-30.

Scoring for the Raiders were Marquess Johnson, 17; Adam Baird, four; Craig Dabney and Jermal Wright, three each; Matthew Hinze, two; and Lonnie Sims added one point.

Leading rebounders were Wright with four and Sims with three.

On Dec. 2, the Raiders again tangled with the Cowboys, losing 28-30.

Leading scorers were Ben Ortiz, nine; Baird, seven; Johnson and Dab-

ney, five each; and Wright, two.

Leading rebounders were Johnson, four; and Wright, three.

On Friday, Dec. 3, the Raiders lost to Brazos by the score of 41-33.

Leading scorers were Johnson, 13; Ortiz and Dabney, five each; Baird and Wright, four each; and Sims, two.

Leading rebounders were Baird, five; Wright, three; and Sims, two.

Leaders in steals and assists were Acey Banks, ReShawn Spears and Bernardo Vasquez, one each.

7th grade Ladies drop two at Columbus tournament

The 7th grade Lady Raiders lost both games at the Columbus basketball tournament.

Coach Garland commented, "We squared off against eventual champion La Grange on Friday. We played hard but had trouble getting good

shots off against an aggressive team. We also got into early foul trouble and had to rest our starters. The score was 37-10."

In the second game played on Saturday, the Lady Raiders lost to Bellville.

Garland stated, "The girls did show tremendous improvement. Although we did struggle on offense, we got off a lot more good shots that just didn't go in. The score was 33-12."

Tournament scorers included: Arizbeth Ruvalcaba, 12; Vanessa Villafuerte, six; and Rachelle Shorter and Shante' Rhodes, two each.

8th grade Ladies take second in tourney

The 8th grade girls participated in the Columbus basketball tournament last weekend.

They played La Grange Friday night and won with a score of 42-30.

Scoring for the Lady Raiders were Candace Spears with 14; LaToyia Sims, 12; Charlotte Foster, 10; Erra Cleveland, four; and Vera Cleveland, two.

In the championship game on Saturday against Bellville, they fell short by a score of 17-24.

Spears lead the scoring with nine, followed by V. Cleveland with four and Sims and Foster each adding two points.

The rest of the team consisted of Courtney Diggs, Amanda Johnson, Hillary Aguilar, Irma Garcia, Jessica Lopez and Valeen Soliz.

V. Cleveland and Spears were named to the All-Tournament team.

The Lady Raiders will be back in action Thursday night, Dec. 16, at Eagle Lake Middle School gym as they take on the Bluejays of Needville. The first game will start at 5 p.m.

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Sheridan teams lose two

On Thursday, Dec. 2, the Lady Raiders traveled to Weimar to play the St. Michael Swords. The girls came up short by a score of 33-9.

The leading scorer was Tiffany Varley with seven. Quindora Jones had two points.

The boys lost a close one to St. Michael by a score of 25-21.

Zak Kloss and Clifton Kazmir led the scoring with eight each; Cory Spencer had three; and Stuart Ray had

two.

On Monday, Dec. 6, the Raiders hosted Sacred Heart of Hallettsville.

The girls lost a very close one by a score of 13-12.

Varley had eight points while Jones and Jenny Munoz each had two.

The boys had a tough game, losing 48-11.

Steven Moore was the high scorer with six; Kloss had three; and Marshall Peterson, two.

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Packer bulls: heavy weight bulls, 44-48¢; utility cutter bulls, 38-43¢.

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