

RAIDER REVIEW

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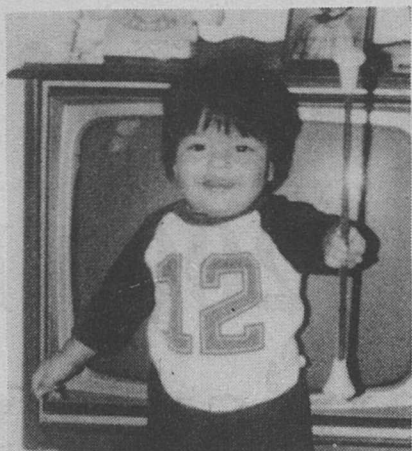
By Jamie Christ

"Guess who I am?" That was the same question several students at Rice were asked. The only clue given was he is a cute senior.

Glancing at this picture was easy but identifying him was a little too easy. Students said it was his smile that gave it away, that this had to be none other than D.J. Sosa.

D.J. is involved in numerous activities. He is the President of the Senior Class and Student Council, participates in the H.O.M.E. Club and also played tennis for the Mighty Raiders.

On the weekends, D.J. enjoys looking for bugs and asking friends over to watch Walker, Texas Ranger



on Saturday nights.

D.J. plans to graduate with the class of 2000. He then plans to attend a junior college, then transfer to a major university.

His proud parents are Domingo and Margaret Sosa of Eagle Lake.

FFA Banquet

By Heather Henske

On Monday, May 1, the Future Farmers of America held their annual banquet in the commons of Rice High School at 7 p.m.

After the barbecue dinner, many awards were given out.

The Green Hand award went to Lauren Spanihel; Star Chapter Farmer, Jacob Little; Honorary Chapter Farmer, David Little; and Apprecia-

tion Award, Al Mahalitc.

Next year's officers are: President, Jacob Little; Vice-President, Lauren Spanihel; Secretary, Matt Shimek; Treasurer, Heather Shanks; Reporter, Amy Donnelly; Sentinel, Andrew Varley; and Chaplain, Ashley Moccabee.

Congratulations to all of the members on a successful year!

Meet the Lady Raider

By Jamie Christ

Meet this week's Lady Raider, Shelley Boenisch. Shelley runs track for the Mighty Raiders.

When asked how district went, she replied, "It was alright. I ran the sprint relay for the first time and it was inter-

esting." They came out with second place. She also ran the 220m dash and placed third, and placed first in the mile relay.

Shelley also made Varsity cheerleader for the 2000-2001 school year. She also has participated in volleyball, powerlifting and softball.

On the weekends, she enjoys watching TV, but what she enjoys most of all is going out with her friends and partying.

She is the daughter of Mark and Cynthia Boenisch of Garwood.



Shelley Boenisch



By Lori Smith, NHS Reporter

7:30 p.m. in the commons.

NHS officers Yaneth Najera, Lori Smith, Tabitha Connor and Chrissy Leopold lit ceremonial candles and read the qualifications for membership... Scholarship, Service, Leadership and Character.

Phillips and Leopold announced the newly inducted members and presented them with certificates and membership cards. Inductees were Lana Engstrom, Kinsey Hoffman, Janna Janish, Jared Korenek, Rebecca Lopez, Corissa Mathis, Brandy Meitzen, Maria Najera, Heather Shanks, Stephanie Sommerlatte, Meagan Staff, Jacqueline Thomas, Hub Weller and Kayce Wilkerson.

Mr. Lanier offered a congratulatory speech to the NHS members in which he praised them for their hard work and commitment to scholarship, service, leadership and character.

Pictures were taken for the yearbook, and everyone enjoyed refreshments of cookies and punch before leaving.

"A classic is something that everybody wants to have read and nobody wants to read." — Mark Twain

Meet the Teacher

By Kim Lott

This week the *Raider Review* would like to introduce Coach Ryan Roark. Coach Roark moved to Eagle Lake from McKinney, Texas, where he was the Athletic Director of the high school for three years.

When asked how he likes teaching at RHS he said, "I like it. Schools get a reputation and you hear things. I have been surprised." Coach Roark teaches Health, will be the Offensive Coordinator and in charge of quarterbacks next football season. This is his first teaching position in four years.

Coach Roark now works with his brother, Coach Russell Roark. The Roark brothers coached at Cuero High School from 1993-1996, so this is not the first time they have worked together. Coach Ryan Roark said, "One of the main reasons I moved here was to be close to my family."

Coach Roark is also proud of how his brother's coaching staff has changed things around for the RHS



Coach Ryan Roark

sports program. "Rice use to be a dorm-mat everyone stepped on. Now they're something everyone must look out for," Coach Roark said of the improved sports program.

Ryan Roark graduated from Texas Tech where he studied Public Relations. He lives in Eagle Lake with his wife, Kelly, and his daughter, Rylie.

NHS Induction

On Wednesday, May 3, the Rice High School National Honor Society (NHS) held an induction ceremony for

new members.

NHS President Angela Phillips welcomed the students and parents at

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There is college tuition assistance available

A conservative estimate of college costs for a full time student runs from \$10,000 to \$30,000; high cost colleges can run from \$40,000 to \$100,000. Most parents and students think scholarships are only for the students with excellent grades, low-income families or the athletically inclined.

A small example of the numerous scholarships available to students include: Handicapped Students, Members of a Church, "C" Students, Veterans' Children, Scholarships for Minorities and much more.

Though the majority of scholarships are from the federal government and are merit and/or need-based, billions of dollars are available to students from private sector scholarships. Much of the private sector financial aid goes unused because the parents and students do not know how or where to apply.

There are organizations that have

spent hundreds of hours in research locating scholarship sources. The U.S. Commission for Scholastic Assistance-College Bound is such an organization and supplies the public with over 700 different scholarships sources. The scholarship list include the scholarship names, addresses, application deadlines, summaries about the scholarships and the amount the scholarship will pay your child.

Many scholarships pay the entire tuition; others can be applied towards tuition, living expenses, and/or other fees. Most scholarships can be used at junior colleges, career and vocational schools, four-year colleges, graduate schools, medical and law schools.

For information on scholarship lists, send a self-addressed, stamped, business size (#10) envelope to: U.S. Commission for Scholastic Assistance, P.O. Box 668, O'Fallon, IL 62269.

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