

# RAIDER REVIEW

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Members of the Yearbook Staff include, in back, from right, Jeremy Walker, Jessica Thomas, Erin Gold, Kayce Wilkerson and Amanda Burrow. In front are Kinsey Hoffman, Tiffany Stern and Meagan Staff.

## The 2001-02 Yearbook Staff

By Jessica Thomas

After a great summer, the Yearbook Staff is back at full speed with great and new ideas for the 2001-02 school year.

This year's staff consists of Meagan Staff, editor; Kinsey Hoffman, business manager; Tiffany Stern, athletics editor; Jessica Thomas, organi-

zations editor; Jeremy Walker, activities editor; Kayce Wilkerson, seniors editor; Amanda Burrow and Erin Gold are faculty, academics and classes editors.

The Newspaper Editor, for her second year, is Kinsey Hoffman. The staff has come up with new ideas that

will make the articles entertaining yet informative.

This year the staff will be presenting a weekly video newscast. Walker is the producer/director of it. The rest of the staff will serve as reporters.

The Raider news will be shown

every Friday morning, and will inform the students and faculty of different activities going on around our school.

The staff will be holding a contest to name the newscast, and the winner will be recognized on one of our broadcasts.

## It's that time of year again!

By Kinsey Hoffman

It's 8:00 Wednesday morning; the bell has just rung. Freshmen are frantically trying to find their first period classes, seniors are ruling the halls, others have smiling faces, while some are not so happy to be back.

"Welcome back!" greets the teachers and faculty at Rice High School (RHS). It's time to get back into the old routine of early mornings and fun-filled nights of sports, activities, and of course dreaded HOMEWORK.

Many students thought the first day went by with flying colors. Mrs. Machac and Mrs. Bubela thought that the day went pretty smoothly. "It was one of the best since I've been here," said Mrs. Machac.

Mrs. Christ said, "It was wonderful. I thought it was the best first day in 28 years. I had no problems!" However,

ever, Mrs. Christ did start her first days out of crutches. She had foot surgery a month earlier.

Norris Powell also commended that his day was okay and fun until he saw all the freshmen.

Freshman Kaylyn Boenisch's first day was all right. She said that it wasn't really different from junior high.

There have been many changes and improvements throughout the school.

RHS has now been introduced to a new on-line attendance and grade system. Teachers can now submit roll through their computers. Coach Derrick Dietrich commented, "The new computer system is great."

Welcome back to all the students, teachers, and faculty. Have a great year!

## Summer hit movies

By Tiffany Stern

"It was hilarious!" exclaimed Kinsey Hoffman when asked about the movie *American Pie 2*. This is just one of the great movies that hit box offices this summer.

*The Fast and the Furious* also drew big crowds.

"It had great graphics as well as cars," said Jermaine Williams after seeing this movie.

For those who wanted a laugh, *Rush Hour 2*, *Princess Diaries* and *Legally Blonde* were a few comedies

to choose from.

The movie *The Others* gave quite a few people a scare.

Jeremy Walker claimed, "It gave me quite a rush and I considered it to be a very freaky movie."

Receiving two thumbs up, *Pearl Harbor*, with its dramatic and historic plot, drew tears to many eyes.

After seeing this movie more than just once, this sad love story took my vote to be the most popular movie of this summer.

From historical and sad, to scary and mysterious, our summer was filled with great movies!

## Summer camp updates

By Meagan Staff

Even though summer hit, many hard working students kept busy by getting ready for the next school year. A few students attended summer camps to help them excel in school activities.

Jeremy Walker went to Stephen F. Austin (SFA) University and participated in a high school drama workshop, where he won a one-year scholarship to SFA.

Camille Staff, Kristie Johnson and Dani Spanihel all took part in a softball camp.

On the final day of camp, they had the opportunity to play against former members of the U.S. Olympic team.

Shelley Boenisch and Ben Ortiz both went to Hawaii to participate in invitational volleyball and baseball tournaments.

Leila Baggett, Lauren Spanihel, Lana Engstrom and Erin Gold each attended various volleyball camps at major universities.

Amanda Burrow participated in a variety of summer leagues, including volleyball, basketball and softball. She said, "It helped me get back into the groove of things."

Amanda was just one of many Rice athletes who played in summer leagues. She reported that almost of the varsity volleyball and basketball team members played.

The boys were busy also playing summer league basketball and 7-on-7 football.

We are hoping each student has enjoyed their summer and is ready to work very hard in putting their skills to good use.

## Grigar competes in London

Friends here will be interested, to learn that Katie Grigar, a junior at Arkansas University, is a member of the Arkansas Ladybacks soccer team which recently completed a 10-day trip to London, England, for three practice games.

Katie is the daughter of Janet and J.J. Grigar of Lockhart and the granddaughter of Eunice and Fred Frnka of Eagle Lake and Angie Grigar of East Bernard.

The Ladybacks defeated Charlton, England, 3 to 1; tied one of England's stronger teams from Arsenal, 1 to 1; and in the finale, defeated Millwell, 4

to 1.

Coach Alan Kirkup said he was very pleased with the Ladybacks' 2-0-1 performance against the English opponents.

The Ladybacks and coaches returned to Fayetteville, Arkansas, just in time to begin the fall semester at University of Arkansas Monday.

The Ladybacks now will concentrate on the opening of their 2001 schedule in a non-conference game with Texas Tech in Fayetteville at 1 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 2.

The Ladybacks are members of the strong Southeastern Conference.

## First Rice Project Graduation meeting of the year held

The first Rice Project Graduation meeting of the 2001-02 school year was held Monday, Aug. 20, with a large crowd in attendance.

New board members were elected. They are Chairman, Lisa Hoffman; Secretary, Lanelle Engstrom; Treasurer, Suzanne Sykowski; and Reporter, Marla Crane.

Other board members are Renee Staff, Debbie Wishert, Cynthia Bo-

nisch and Gretchen Wilkerson.

Many activities are planned to take place throughout the school year and each one needs a chairman.

So please attend the next meeting set for Monday, Sept. 10, and sign up. The meeting will be in the commons at Rice High at 6:30 p.m.

Seniors and their parents or guardians need to attend to start racking up their points!

Hope to see you there!

## Buzzin' ABOUT TOWN

•Nicki Maxie sends thanks to everyone who sent donations and prayers to Minnesota for her. She had the opportunity to record with the Gospel Music Workshop of America Youth Choir. Thanks again to everyone.

•A few months ago, the community of Eagle Lake was introduced to J.L. Miller, son of Gary and Lisa Tise.

He's finally home from Texas Children's Hospital and the family would like to send very special thanks to the community for all their prayers.

He still has a long recovery ahead and still needs your prayers and support. You may still keep sending those get well cards, etc. to J.L. at: 100 W. Center, Eagle Lake, Texas 77434.

•If you've been by *The Headlight* office lately, you know there's a new staff member... Cathy Fearing, daughter of Publisher Jeannine. A senior at Rice on the work program, Cathy spends her afternoons at the office.

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