

RAIDER REVIEW

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Rice hosts annual blood drive

By Kayce Wilkerson

On Tuesday, Sept. 25, Rice High School hosted their annual blood drive.

The Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center, serving 24 counties and over 200 hospitals, came out to service those donating. The Center projected that there would be 70 donors. This goal was met.

Many first year donors as well as frequent donors helped in stocking the shelves of many local hospitals.

The first year donors were given a special packet in which the Blood Center answered any questions that a donor would be skeptical of.

Some information given to the students is that on a normal day 2,100 units of blood and blood components are used.

Therefore, our region needs 700 donors a day to reach this goal. Certain myths about giving blood accompanied the package.

For instance, did you know that not all medications affect your ability to give blood?

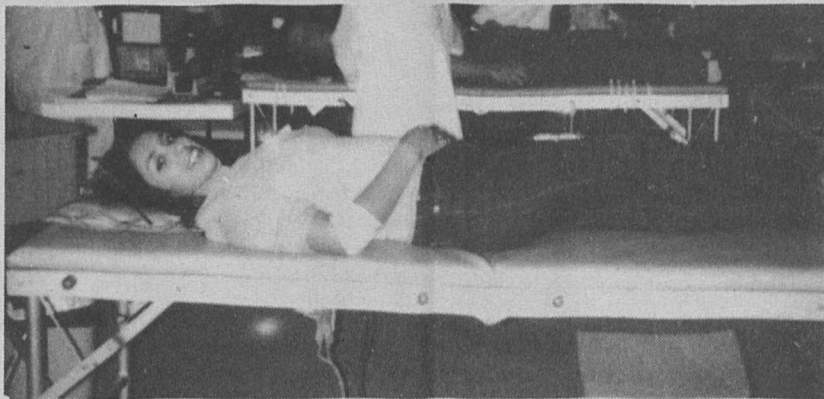
You can call the Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center's Quality Assurance Staff at 713-791-6654 to determine if you are eligible to donate blood.

Before the tragedies in New York, D.C., and Pennsylvania, there was a shortage of blood on the shelves. This

tragedy has brought many people together and has helped furnish an over abundance of blood in local hospitals that could possibly be used in other areas in which the Gulf Coast Region does not reach.

The Rice High School Student Council will host their second blood drive in April.

So remember to give blood, it saves a life!!



Imelda Posada, a student at Rice High School, donates blood.

Day-cares in high school... good or bad?

By Erin Gold

Several students at RHS were recently asked if they thought it would be a good idea to have day-cares in high schools for student parents.

Here are a few of the comments...
•Ronnie Vasquez: "I think that's a good idea because students need to stay in school and their kids need to be watched."
•Felipe Rangel: "Yes, because then the girls could stay in school."

•Shelley Boenisch: "It would be fine, but also it's like saying it's alright for teenage girls to have kids."
•Sonya Fields: "It would be lovely because it is hard to find and pay for baby-sitters during the day."

•Trent Korenek: "It's not a good idea because I wouldn't be able to concentrate on my work if I would be hearing crying babies."
•Erica Garcia: "It would be good because the girls could stay in school and not worry about who's taking care

of their kids."

•Norris Powell: "It's a good idea because then parents could stay in school and know where their child is."

•Kayce Wilkerson: "No, this just promotes teenage pregnancy when schools are supposed to be discouraging it."

This is a very controversial subject. Like most ideas, there are advantages followed by disadvantages. What do you think?

An addition to our curriculum

By Amanda Burrow

Rice High School is proud to announce another class being offered to students, Horticulture.

This class is taught by Mrs. Michalcik. The class focuses on hands-on projects floral throughout the year.

The first project the students created was a floral arrangement using carnations, which the students got to take home. They are currently working on homecoming mums.

Mrs. Michalcik adds that the students will identify flowers used in the floral industry, review history of floral industry, learn how to create arrangements and care for cut flowers, and plan on taking a field trip to local florists throughout the year.

In the spring, the Horticulture class will switch to landscaping. In this class students will learn how to draw up a landscaping plan, figure up costs and take another field trip to a tree shop or a nursery.

I have only hear great comments about the class and students are enjoying it a lot.

The Ag department is currently petitioning for grants for a greenhouse. The addition of this course is just one part of a plan of the Ag department has for expanding and improving the overall program.

Saw you at the pole

By Jeremy Walker

Wednesday, Sept. 19, an annual time of prayer for students took place.

"See You at the Pole" is a national gathering for students to meet in the morning before school at their flag pole and pray for their school, student body and country.

At Rice High School, 15 students showed up to pray for their schoolmates as wells for the people who

suffered in New York's recent tragedy. There was a short time of praise and worship.

For students interested, there is a similar meeting every Tuesday morning before school with the organization "Transformed," which is a student-led bible study.

Hope to see everyone at the pole next year.

Twirlers go to competition

By Erin Gold

Last weekend, Feature Twirlers, Lana Engstrom and Amanda Henry went to the annual UIL twirling competition in Sweeny.

Both did excellent, earning 1s in their divisions. Advancing to state, they compete again in May.

This is Amanda's fourth year to go to state and Lana's third.

These girls have done a great job for four years and will be missed on the field at half-time after they graduate in May.

Nice job, ladies, and good luck at state.

East Bernard Holy Cross Parish 'Centennial' Bazaar is Oct. 14

Riverside Hall in East Bernard will be the site of the Holy Cross Parish 'Centennial' Bazaar, Sunday, Oct. 14. Dinner will be served beginning at 11 a.m. and continue throughout the day.

The menu will include barbecue beef, chicken and sausage with "homemade dressing" and all the trimmings. Czech pastries, refreshments and country store items may be purchased during the day.

The auction consisting of many items will begin at 12:30 p.m.

A co-ed (3 male/3 female) volleyball tournament begins at 9 a.m.

In addition to all types of games and entertainment for young and old, there will be live music and entertainment starting at noon provided by the Bobby Jones Orchestra from 12 noon

to 3 p.m.; Los Rayos de Luna, 3:30-5:30 p.m.; and the Dujka Brothers starting at 5:30.

Drawing tickets may be purchased throughout the day.

The drawing at 8 p.m. for prizes will include an eight-day European tour for two (Austria, Czech Republic and Germany), 32 gift certificates from \$50 to \$300; handmade king and queen size quilts; one-half calf (cut and wrapped); wooden rocking chair; gas grill; Samsonite luggage set; boy's and girl's bike, park bench; coolers; weed eater blower and trimmer; and many more.

Established in 1901, Holy Cross is celebrating its 100 year anniversary. Come join us at this memorable occasion.

The public is invited!!

What does your senior ring mean to you

By Jessica Thomas

Tuesday, Sept. 25, Carol Bernhardt from Balfour came to discuss senior rings with the junior class.

Senior rings are a tradition that signifies the many accomplishments of students.

The design of the ring is to symbolize who you are and what you've done throughout your four years of high school.

Wednesday, Oct. 3, the junior class had the opportunity to order their rings.

From 5:30 to 8 p.m. in the Rice High School Commons, Carol Bernhardt was helping the students order their rings just the way they wanted them. Prices of the rings ranged anywhere from \$100 to \$700.

Several students were asked what ordering their ring meant to them.

Melanie Brown: "Ordering my senior ring meant a lot to me because next year is my last year, and I realize that I'll be graduating."

Andrea Contreras: "Ordering my senior ring let me know that my achievements meant something."

Erin Gold: "Ordering my ring made me realize WOW I'm fixing to graduate."

The rings will arrive before the Christmas holidays.

St. Anthony's hosts bicycle safety program

Aug. 20, St. Anthony Catholic School hosted a Bicycle Safety Program for 81 kindergarten through fourth grade students.

Texas Department of Public Safety Trooper Gary D. Pflughaupt, Safety Education Officer, conducted the program which covered bicycle rules of the road, bicycle maintenance, hand signals and proper safety helmet use.

Through various activities Trooper Pflughaupt, assisted by Trooper Royce Korenek, illustrated the physical safety of the program.

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Club updates

By Jeremy Walker

F.T.A. met Monday, Oct. 1, for their second meeting of the year to discuss who was going to bring refreshments to teachers this month, the concession stand which is going very well and also to pick their secret pals.

The Drama Club began practices for their two one-act plays that they are putting on for their fall production.

The two plays are "A Midsummer Night's Dream" and "The Doctor in Spite of Himself".

F.F.A. have started their annual fund-raiser of selling meat. The members have begun the deliberation of whether or not they want to enter a project in the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo.

Junior Class

By Kinsey Hoffman

The Junior Class is full of interesting students with many fun and distinct facts. Several chosen are:

Biggest feet: Reggie Ford; longest eyelashes: Nina Contreras; loudest: Erica Foster; blondest hair: Matt Hen-

tzell; quietest: Sarah Foster; most siblings: Ada Ruvalcaba.

These are just a few fun facts about the junior class. Each person is full of interesting characteristics, making each one special!

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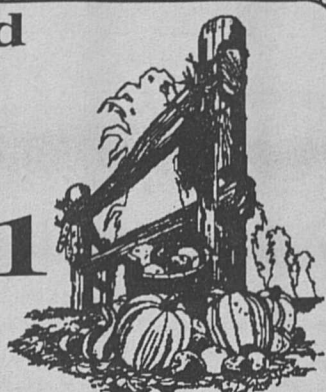
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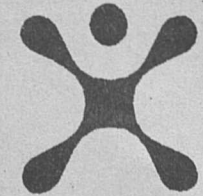
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