

Raider JV now 2-3 in season action

Tuesday, Dec. 11, the Rice Raider varsity basketball team faced Lamar Foster, losing by the score of 31-44.

Leading scorers were James Johnson with 10 points; Rusty Moore and Ricky Cunningham each added six; Anthony Palmer was good for three; while Steven Moore, Jazzman Smith and David Saenz each added two.

Leading rebounders were Johnson with eight; R. Moore with five; Saenz and Smith each had three.

Leaders in steals and assists were Marcus Woods, three steals, two assists; Cunningham, three steals, three assists; Palmer, two steals, one assist; Derland Sanford, one steal two assists; and S. Moore, two steals, one assist.

"Also contributing to the Rice JV team was Marshall Pederson who played good defense. Elizar Zepeda did not play due to an ankle injury. The Rice JV played two games with only two days of practice. It will take some time to get our offense and defense in sink, but we will get better," said their coach.

Thursday, Dec. 13, saw the Raiders taking on Yorktown and winning, 56-30.

Scoring for the Raiders were R. Moore with 14; Cunningham 13; and S. Moore with 11; Johnson, Sanford, Woods, Palmer and Smith each added four points.

Rebounding for the Raiders was headed by Johnson with 11; R. Moore and Smith each with six.

Cunningham had two steals, four assists; Woods, two steals, two assists; Sanford, three steals, one assist; Palmer, four steals, one assist; and S. Moore, one steal, two assists.

The coach commented, "The Rice JV played very well the first game of the Rice Tournament. Every one on the team contributed to the teams winning effort with each player scoring at least four points. If everyone plays their role and contributes to the team, we should play well every night."

The JV then forged ahead to take on the Brazos JV. They came up victorious by the score of 46-42.

Scoring were Johnson, 18 points; Palmer, 10; S. Moore, six; Cunningham, five; R. Moore, three; and Woods and Smith, two each.

Rebounding leaders were Johnson with 12; Smith, 7 and R. Moore with five.

Leaders in steals and assists were, Palmer, four steals, two assists; S. Moore, one steal, four assists; Sanford, three steals, one assist; and Cunningham, two steals, three assists.

"The Rice Raider JV played another good game improving their record to 2-2 for the season. This win also put them into the finals for the Rice Tournament. Woods, Sanford and Smith came off the bench to play great defense when our team got into foul trouble. Over all, it was a great team effort with Johnson leading the way," stated their coach.

The JV team was "out-hooped" by

Barbers Hill Saturday, Dec. 15, by the score of 22-42.

The coach commented, "The team got into foul trouble early against a very good Barbers Hill team. The team had one of their worst shooting nights at a very inoperative time, but received second place in the JV division."

Leading scorers were S. Moore and R. Moore, six each; Johnson, four; Smith, three; and Sanford, two.

Smith and Johnson had six rebounds each while R. Moore had four.

Leaders in steals and assists were S. Moore, two steals, two assists; Cunningham, one steal, two assists; Sanford, two steals one assist; Woods, two steals, one assist; and Palmer, three steals.

Now 2-3 on the season, the team was scheduled to face Van Vleck Monday, Dec. 17.

Rice freshmen are 2-2 on season

The Rice Raider freshmen team faced Rosenberg Foster Tuesday, Dec. 11, and went down for the count by the score of 35-46.

Scoring for the Raiders were Robert Shaw, 13; Charles Huffman,

seven; and Jonathan Thomas with five.

Leading rebounders were Emerson Dawson, six; Jeremy Hemphill and Willie Daniels each had four.

Thursday, Dec. 13, they faced off

against Brazos. The Raiders pulled out the win with a score of 35-29. This was the first game in the Rice Raider Invitational.

Shaw was the leading scorer with 12; followed by Thomas with 11;

Huffman, six and Dawson added five. Rebounding for the Raiders were Gary McTear and Shaw each with seven.

Saturday, Dec. 15, the freshmen faced Barbers Hill and were outnumbered, 43-45.

They wound up with second place in the tourney.

Top scorers were Huffman with 15; Shaw, nine; Dawson, eight; and McTear and Thomas with four each.

Leading rebounders were Shaw with nine; Clifton Kazmir with seven; and Dawson with six.

The Raiders freshmen are now 2-2 on the season.

Rice Blue Squad sporting 2-1 mark

The Rice Raider Blue Squad faced Barbers Hill Thursday, Dec. 13, and came away empty handed, losing 23-55.

Scoring were David Saenz, eight points; Desmond Parker, six; and Willie Daniels added five.

Will Tyler pulled down eight rebounds, while Saenz had seven.

The Blue Squad fared better against the Cuero Gobblers Saturday, Dec. 15, by the score of 35-33.

Leading scorers were Daniels, 12; Tyler and Saenz, eight each; Joe

Cooper, five; and Elizar Zepeda added two points.

Leading rebounders were Saenz, nine; and Tyler with eight.

The Blue Squad won consolation in both the 9th and JV divisions of the Rice Tourney.

4-H Archery Invitational held

Colorado County 4-H Archery project hosted its annual Colorado County 4-H Archery Invitational Nov. 8 and 10 at the FFA Show Arena

in Columbus.

This year the archery project had its largest registration ever with 93 individual entries and 16 team entries.

Participants including Colorado County were Bee, Calhoun, East Matagorda, Ft. Bend, Goliad, Lavaca, LaWard (Jackson County), Tiger

Sharks (West Matagorda County) and Victoria County.

Participants from Colorado County are listed below with placings:

Clover Kids (Champions): Lance Woytek, Chelsea Urban, Aaron Weishuhn.

Sub-Junior Open Recurve, 9 meter: Tyler Stavino, 10 place.

Sub-Junior Bare Bow, 9 meter: Abel Gorman, first place; Evan Venghaus, 2nd; Ross Weishuhn, 3rd; Jacob Gorman, 4th; Brittany Stover, 7th; Ashley Charles, 8th; Jacob Weishuhn, 9th; and Crystal O'Mary, 10.

Sub-Junior Intermediate Female Recurve, 18 meter: Meagan Ross, 3rd.

Sub-Junior Advanced Female Recurve, 18 meter: Simone Petrosky, 1st.

Junior Open Compound, 18 meter: Ben Meith, 7th.

Junior Bare Bow, 18 meter: Cassie Urban, 2nd; Nathaniel Rogers, 3rd.

Senior Open Compound, 18 meter: Garrett Poncik, 1st; Cody Kovar, 4th.

Senior Open Recurve, 18 meter: Matthew Ross, 4th.

Team Round, Compound: "Gig'em Bevos": 1st, Ben Meith, Simone Petrosky, Trey Reagan (Goliad County); "B-T-G": 4th, Blaine Moss (East Matagorda), Tyler Attaway (East Matagorda), Garrett Poncik.

Team Round, Recurve: "The Three Aggies": 3rd, Matthew Ross, Jacob and Abel Gorman; "Sagittarius": 8th, Ashley Charles, Ross Weishuhn, Nathaniel Rogers.

By Patty Holloway

Vicki Powers house, there's a poor fellow hanging from a tree. It looks like he may have been putting up Christmas lights and the ladder fell out from under him. It looks like he may be hanging around the Powers' house awhile.

The Lewis' home on Stockbridge is lovely and I noticed the lady just inside the fence and the lions at the front door all have on Christmas caps.

Be sure and drive around town and look at all of the decorations that are there for our enjoyment of this most holy and joyful season.

If you can't find any clear lights in the stores in Eagle Lake, it's because Len and Pat Matula have put them in their beautiful front yard display.

Merry Christmas!

Civic Garden Club

I am going to mention two more trees that I think are interesting. There are situations or sites where conditions are ideal for a ball cypress but, I am not saying that I especially like this tree, because I don't.

If you have a low, wet marshy area, this tree will really thrive and put up ornamental "knees" and of course it's probably a better choice than one of the willows.

This tree is a somewhat slow grower, reaching about 70 feet in height. It doesn't require much pruning. The feather foliage turns a cinnamon brown before falling, leaving an attractive silhouette.

The other tree I want to tell you about is the camphor tree. Reaching a height of about 50', this tree has shiny

yellow leaves in the winter and in early spring the leaves are red, bronze, or pink.

In May, this tree is covered with inconspicuous very fragrant yellow blooms. This show makes up for a few bad habits like heavy leaf drop in March and a competitive root system. Plant this tree in an open space away from your flower beds and enjoy its beautiful wide spread.

There are quite a few homes that deserve the gold star award this week. Pete and Janette Canaris have done an outstanding job in their yard and there are some beautiful displays on McCarty, especially at 711 S. McCarty.

At 207 W. Main poor Santa is falling off of the garage roof.

Over on Willow Lane at Clark and

'He Who Has Ears, Let Him Hear'

The Call of Christ Gives One Woman Her Hearing... and Sets A World On Its Side

Throughout time, humanity has always feared what it didn't understand. In a time of turmoil and confusion, a young carpenter from Galilee appeared on the scene and added a whole new dimension to the mania of the times. This man, claiming to be the Christ, demanded attention, obedience, an open mind, and, most importantly, an open heart.

For Miriam, the passionate heroine of *Though I Speak*, now available from 1stBooks Library, it wasn't the open mind or heart that posed a difficulty, it was the open ears. Born deaf, Miriam could do nothing but silently

observe the world around her as she sought to understand things that didn't make sense.

Growing into a captivating woman, she is married into a family of means. Her future seems secure, but when the wondering Prophet enters her life, and it's all she can do to make sense of the unexplainable. When Jesus of Nazareth touches her, everything changes.

Though I Speak is set in Palestine during Jesus' ministry and reveals the schemes and plans of the men in power-and willing to do anything to rid themselves of the nuisance that was Christ. When Miriam's father-in-law becomes involved, Miriam is thrust into a battle she can not control, much less escape.

Her family turns against her and she is left with nothing but her faith to sustain her-but will that be enough?

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Did You Know...

•Christmas trees remove dust and pollen from the air.

•On average, over 2,000 Christmas trees are planted per acre.

•Teddy Roosevelt banned the Christmas tree from the White House for environmental reasons.

Winners

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66. Set of 2 wooden puzzles, Family & Friends, Carlee Vandermark, \$14.

2001 Drawing winners

1. Basket of hair care products, Tresses Inc, Donna Gertson, Donnie Stern.

2. Coggins testing for horses, Wharton Vet. Clinic, Dr. Carlos Bonnot, Edith Skuka.

3. Four plate lunches, Austin's BBQ, Ron & Denise Janow, Kristi Johnson.

4. \$50 savings bond, The First National Bank, Alyssa Ugarte.

5. Four plate lunches, Blue Plate Cafe, Rene' Al-Obaidi, Darlene Argo.

6. One \$10 gift certificate, Super Video, Barbara Watson.

7. Lube, oil & filter change for gas vehicle, Ellison Chevrolet, Lynn Ellis.

8. Two video rentals, Video 2 Go, Jeremy Roman.

9. Red Poinsettia, Canaris Nursery, Pete & Jeanette Canaris, Selma Luco.

10. One lb. bag of Texas-Oklahoma mix, Wildseed Farms Inc, John Thomas, Brent Beasley.

11. Green plant, Lake Crest Flowers, Mrs. Pansey and Steve Berger, Darla Ellis.

12. Rice basket w/goodies, Eagle Lake Rice Dryer, Inc., Dan Rouse.

13. One month membership, Eagle Lake Rehabilitation-Terry Sablatura, Selma Luco.

14. Collapsible chest cooler, Kevin & Brooklyn Ellis, Ashton Pavlu.

15. Three pack of Biologie hair products, His & Hers Hair Salon-Mary Padilla, Brent Beasley.

16. One lb. bag of Butterfly and Hummingbird mix, Wildseed farms, Inc, John Thomas, Danette Cantu.

17. Two video rentals, Video 2 Go, Glenda Moore.

18. Lube, oil & filter change for gas vehicle, Lake Motors-Ellison Chevrolet, Dana Clipson.

19. \$25 Wal-Mart gift certificate, Bill Kell, Keith Ishee Jr.

20. One case of automobile oil-East Side Auto Sales-B.J. Williams, Andrew Varley.

21. 50 State commemorative quarter map w/current quarters, Wallis State Bank, Brenda Beisel.

22. Plush Christmas puppy, Kevin & Brooklyn Ellis, Harry Anderson.

23. Large 3 wick pillar candle w/ Christmas floral ring, Kecey & Ryan Zickuhr, Mark Sifuentes.

24. One month membership, Eagle Lake Rehabilitation-Terry Sablatura, Dan Canaris.

25. 2001 State Capital Christmas ornament, The Robby Cook Family, Marlene Castleman.

26. Lube, oil & filter change for gas vehicle, Ellison Chevrolet, Dana Clipson.

27. One \$10 gift certificate, Super Video, Larry Varley.

28. Suzette's "Cake Bake" scented candles, Brian & Lynn Ellis, Kathy Stephens.

29. Two video rentals, Video 2 Go, Shawn Carr.

30. Large plush Christmas teddy bear, Julie & Taylor Gannon, Amy Prihoda.

Upcoming Raider Action!



| Date | Team, Place & Time |
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| Fri., Dec. 21 | Raider JV & V at Weimar, 5 p.m. |
| Fri.-Sat. | Raider varsity at Schulenburg |
| Dec. 28-29 | Tournament, TBA |

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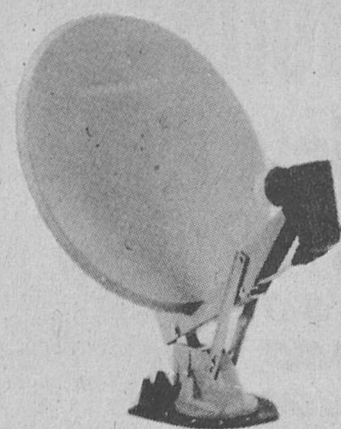
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