

Varsity

and Aaron Labay (filling in for Little) consistently blew open holes for Rice's speedy backs.

The coaches also acknowledged the Raider's receivers for excellent down-field blocking.

Both Spears and Huffman surpassed the 1,000 yard rushing barrier the same night with only eight games gone in the season!

The "D-Unit" pitched another impressive shut out over the Cowboys of Edna. The 'Boys could only mustered 80 yards of total offense and five first downs.

Rice completely stymied their ground attack that had, up to this point, averaged well over 200 yards a contest.

The Raiders flew to the ball quickly and put some heavy hits on the Cowboy running backs. The defense also caused three turnovers and the interception by Spear, as well as big play interceptions by Hemphill and senior reserve back James Salinas.

Leading the team with tackles this week was junior linebacker Joe Cooper, who had 13 tackles or assists.

As a team, the Raiders had an amazing 17 tackles for losses... Edna only ran 42 plays on the night. Roughly 35% of Edna's play went for a loss.

Other players with big game tackling were Sanford, Hemphill, Stuart Ray, Marcus Woods, Jasmine Smith, James Johnson, Krenek, Labay, Donovan King, Robert Shaw, Rusty Moore,

and Jonathan Thomas. Jeremy Ramirez, James Jurica and Ed Thomas also had solid performances off the bench.

The only sad point of the evening came in the third quarter when starting quarterback Steven Moore went down with a leg injury.

It appears that Moore, who suffered a fractured ankle, may be out for the season.

Stuart Ray will be expected to "pick up the slack" and step into the starter's role.

Everyone else is fairly healthy for this Friday's matchup at the "Swamp" against an upstart Needville team.

The Bluejays rolls into Altair with a 2-1 district record, fresh off a huge 17-13 upset of Sweeny last Friday. Both Rice and Needville could possibly clinch playoff berths with wins this Friday.

Named Player of the Game was Michael Spears; Offensive Player of the Game: Kevin Shimek and Derland

Sanford.

Chosen Defensive Players of the Game were Sanford and Dustin Krenek; and Special Teams Players of the Game: Marcus Woods and Marshall Peterson.

Get 'em, Raiders!

**SCORING**

Rice, 7:54, 1st quarter, Spears, 46-yard run, 2-pt. PAT good (pass, Hemphill from Spears), 0-7

Rice, 2:38, 1st quarter, Spears, 42-yard run, PAT good (kick, Shaw), 0-15

Rice, 4:53, 2nd quarter, Sanford, 50-yard run, 2-pt. PAT good (run, Joe Cooper), 0-23

Rice, 0:52, 2nd quarter, Huffman, 1-yard run, PAT good (kick, Shaw), 0-30

Rice, 10:01, 3rd quarter, Huffman, 4-yard run, PAT good (kick, Shaw), 0-37

Rice, 2:19, 4th quarter, Thomas, 10-yard run, PAT failed, 0-43.

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Upcoming Raider Action!

Date Team, Place, Time  
Friday, Oct. 31 .. Raiders vs. Needville\*, Here, 7:30 p.m.  
Friday, Nov. 7 ... Raiders at Wharton\*, 7:30 p.m.  
\*District competition



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The third quarter saw some trickery from the Raider offense. With perfect timing, the Raiders executed the ole hook-n-lateral (throw-catch-pitch)... Michael Morales to Chance Waligura to Jake Staff for a 69-yard touchdown.

Hill added the PAT to make the score 37-0.

Fuller also punched in another TD from four yards out to make the score 43-0 at the end of three quarters.

The fourth quarter saw Pettus scoring from eight yards out and Pratt adding the PAT to make the score 50-0.

The stingy Raider defense gave up their first first down of the evening in the fourth quarter, but finished with their first shutout of the year.

The JV Raiders take their 7-0 mark to Needville this week to battle the Bluejays at 6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 30, at Bluejay Stadium. Come and support the Raiders!

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**Foot Facts**

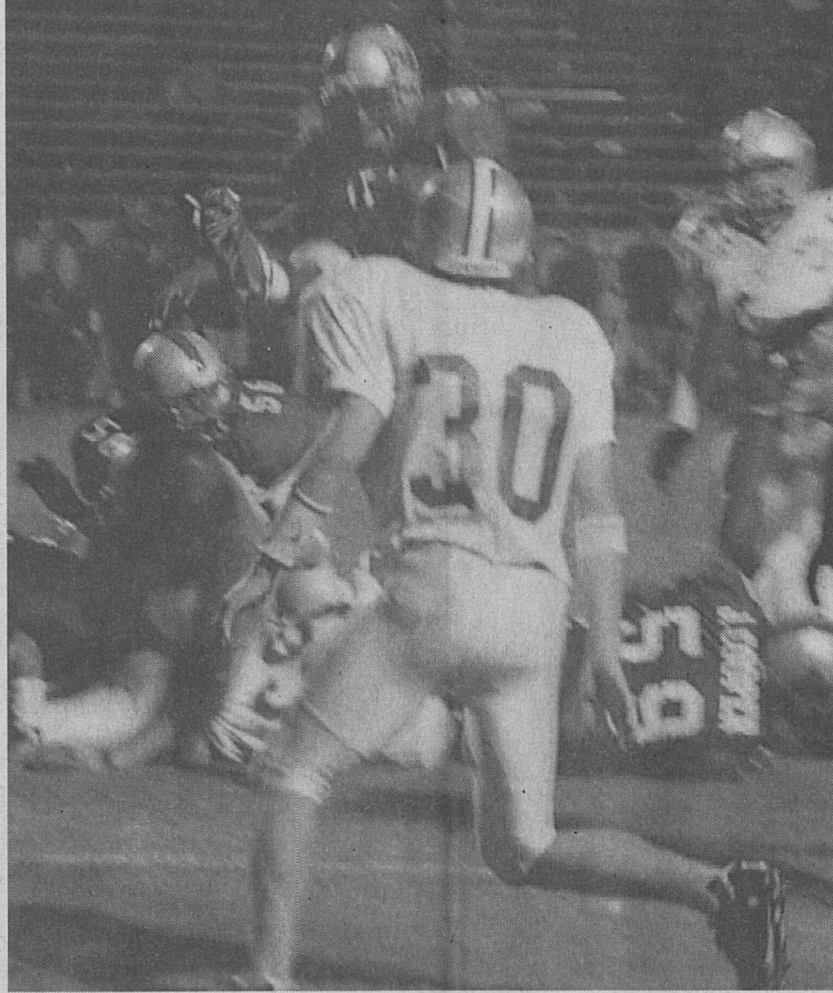
**By Dr. Eric Tepper, Podiatrist**

**DIABETIC ATHLETES MORE PRONE TO FOOT INJURY**

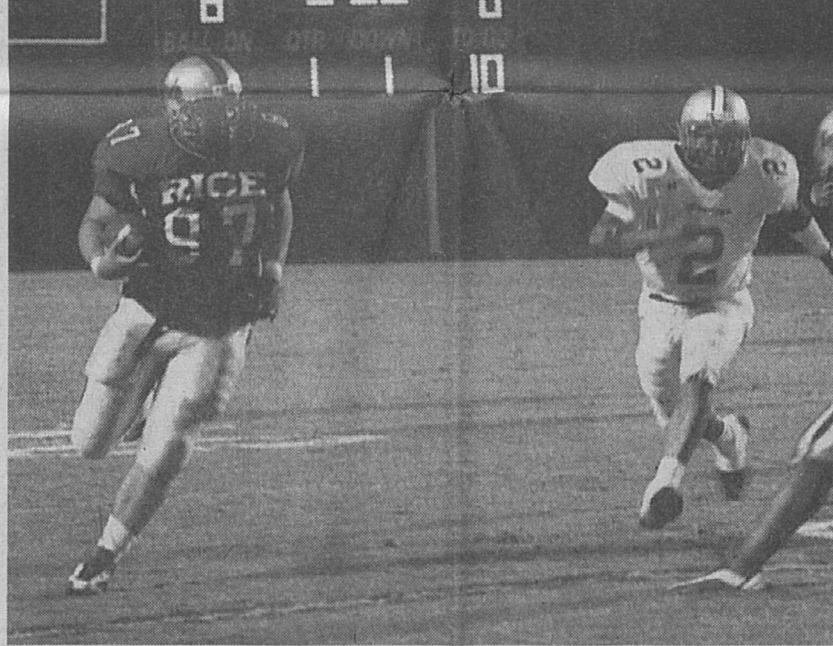
While many athletes suffer foot and ankle injuries, diabetics are significantly more likely than non-diabetics to sustain a stress fracture or other foot or ankle injury. Because diabetes causes nerve damage, diabetics often have diminished sensation in their extremities. They may not be aware of an injury that swells, reddens, or bruises. They continue exercising and often exacerbate the injury. Complications can arise if an injury goes untreated, particularly because diabetics tend to have poor circulation, which can compromise the healing process and increase the risk of infection. To help prevent serious foot and ankle injuries, diabetic athletes should inspect their feet before and after exercising and select well-cushioned shoes with a deep toe box and adjustable laces.

Athletically inclined or not, no one can afford to play games with foot injuries, diseases, fractures, and disorders. Podiatric problems demand the attention of a professional. Don't let foot problems keep you on the sidelines. Consult with us instead for a professional evaluation. We offer treatment of specific problems as well as preventive care to keep you on your feet. Call us at 234-5571 to make an appointment here at Rice Medical Center. Office hours are on Tuesdays.

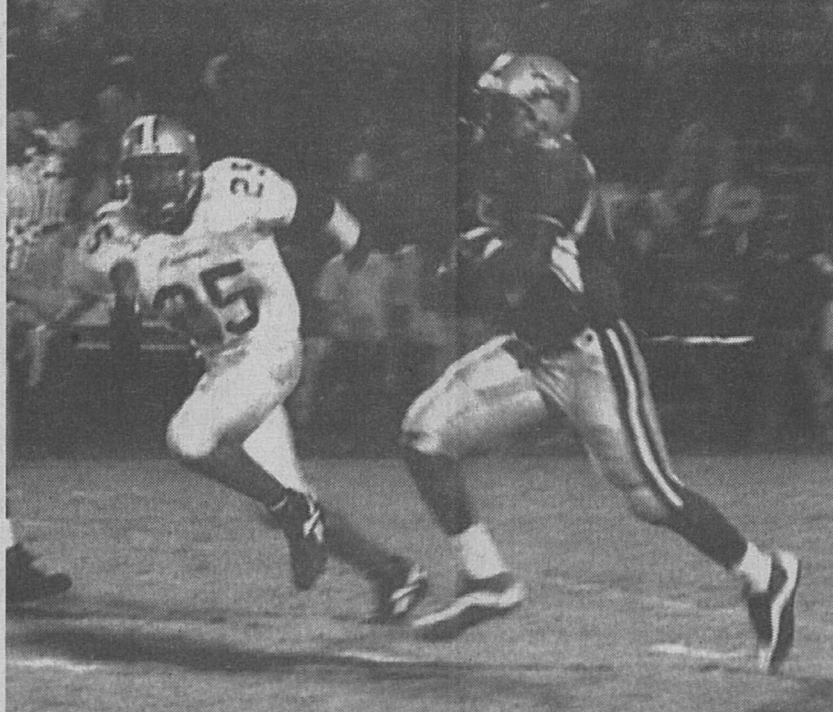
P.S. Shoes should also be checked for torn linings or foreign objects that may puncture the skin.



Flying over the pile for the Raiders' fourth touchdown in the first half was running back Charles Huffman. He and fellow back Michael Spears both went over 1,000 yards for the season during the game against Edna.



Senior tight end Garrett Flores, #87, pulled down a pass from quarterback Steven Moore for a 16-yard gain during the last half of the second quarter Friday. Two plays later, Spears scored the Raiders' second TD.



Raider senior Derland Sanford was off to the races as he scored Rice's third touchdown of the night at 4:53 in the second quarter against Edna.



"Welcome to the 'Swamp' was the message senior linebackers Rusty Moore and Stuart Ray sent to the Cowboys on their first play from scrimmage when the two combined to throw Edna's quarterback for a six-yard loss.

Below, Jonathan Thomas ducks his head and bulls his way into the end zone for the Raiders' final touchdown of the game.



CenterPoint offers tips

Homeowners are gearing up for the heating season and CenterPoint Energy encourages all natural gas customers to make sure their appliances have been checked to ensure safe operation.

"This is a good time to remind customers of the importance of having

their heating systems inspected annually by a qualified heating and air conditioning dealer," said Betsy Glaiser, Area Administration Representative. "This ensures the equipment is in good operating condition."

Carbon monoxide (CO) is a poisonous gas that is colorless, odorless, tasteless and non-irritating. When breathed, CO combines with the blood and prevents it from absorbing oxygen. It can be produced by incomplete combustion, often the result of improperly adjusted or poorly vented appliances.

Any fuel-burning equipment, including wood stoves, fireplaces, space heaters, barbecue grills, furnaces, water heaters, boilers and ranges, has the potential to produce CO. Annual check-ups of these appliances help ensure proper, safe operation.

•Follow manufacturers' operating instructions properly for their gas heating equipment.

•Don't use stovetop burners or ovens to heat a room.

•Make sure to follow the blue flame rule. Natural gas flames should burn blue. The exception to this rule is natural gas fireplace logs. They burn orange to have a more realistic look.

•Crack windows slightly if using unvented space heaters.

•Consider buying a CO detector as another line of defense against carbon monoxide in your home. If you decide to buy a CO detector, CenterPoint Energy recommends purchasing one with an audible alarm and continuous digital display. Also, be sure it's tested to the national standard for residential CO detectors (UL2034 or IAS NO. 6-96).

James Johnson, #44, put so much pressure on the Edna quarterback during this play that the pass went sailing off "into the wild, blue yonder," resulting in a 4th and 9.

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