

# -SPORTS-

## Raiders strike the Rattlers

The Rice Raiders opened the 2004 district season with a stunning 49-13 victory over the statewide 5<sup>th</sup> ranked Navasota Rattlers. The Raiders dominated the Rattlers in every phase of the game gaining 419 yards to Navasota's 206 yards.

The Raider defense was outstanding as they confused Navasota with a variety of defensive looks.

Three of the Raider linebackers had double-digit tackles during the night. Joe Cooper (13), Robert Salinas (12), and Robert Scott (10); lead the defense. Jeremie Hemphill, Donovan King, Robert Shaw and Ivan Rodriguez also had great games with 6 to 8 tackles each.

The Raiders also were able to force four turnovers with two fumble recoveries and two interceptions. Hemphill and Rodriguez recovered the fumbles and Jay Thomas and Darkieth Pratt had the interceptions.

Shaw blocked two kicks during the game, the first punt by Navasota, which set up the offense with good field position and then field goal attempt that really swung the momentum.

tum in the Raiders favor.

Also the kick off team did a great job pinning the Rattlers back and giving them a long field to travel for scores. On offense the Raiders offen-

sive line had their best game as they pushed the Rattlers around and the offense ran for 398 yards. Charles Huffman had 204 of those yards. Also Stuart Ray had 52 yards and Thomas had 57 yards for a balanced attack.

The offensive line of Jose Elizondo, Aaron Labay, Trent Fields, Curtis Williams and Emerson Dawson did a great job in controlling a tough Navasota defensive line.

The Raider tight ends had a great night. Shaw caught two touchdown passes. Jeremy Hill and Derrick Frazier blocked well.

The Raiders will return to action Friday night in Columbus as they renew their rivalry with the Cardinals. The Raiders will be looking to extend their four game winning streak over Columbus.

Kick-off for the game will be 7:30 p.m. on Friday in Columbus. The Raiders would like everyone to travel to Columbus and cheer the Raiders to Victory! Go Raiders!

Charles Huffman ran for 204 yards during Friday night's game against the Navasota Rattlers.

Headlight Photos by Dwight Hadley



During the second quarter of Friday night's game against the Navasota Rattlers, a few of the many girls that attended the Summer Cheerleader Mini-Camp were out cheering on their Mighty Rice Raiders.

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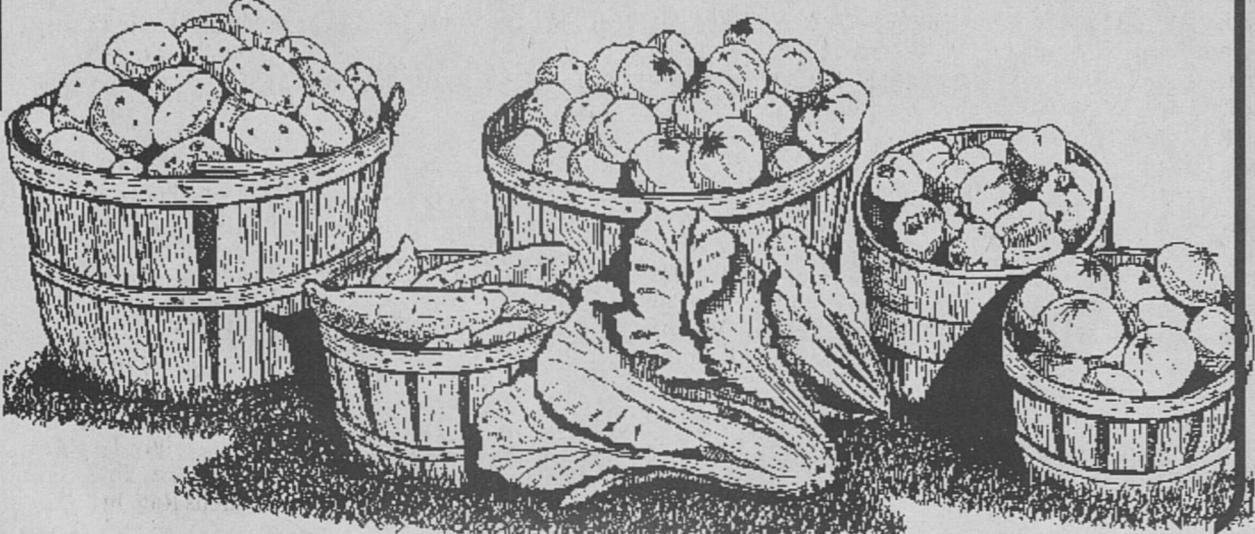
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Oct. 7, 2004 Report

Animals on hand: cattle, 2155.

Sellers: 319.

Packer cows: higher dressing utility & cutter cows, 48-55 per lbs.; lower

dressing utility & cutter cows, 42-47 per lb.; thin cows, 38-41.

Packer bulls: heavyweight bulls

62-68; utility cutter bulls, 55-61. Head

tested: 222.

Stocker/Feeder Calves/Yearlings

Steers #1: 200-300 lbs., \$1.55-

1.55; 300-400 lbs., \$1.25-1.30; 400-

500 lbs., \$1.07-1.17; 500-600 lbs.,

95¢-\$1.06; 600-700 lbs., 88-96¢; 700-

800 lbs., 85-94¢.

Heifers #1: 200-300 lbs., \$1.40-

1.55; 300-400 lbs., \$1.25-1.35; 400-

500 lbs., \$1.10-1.27; 500-600 lbs.,

97¢-\$1.07; 600-700 lbs., 93¢-\$1.03;

700-800 lbs., 86-96¢.

Heifers #2: 200-300 lbs., \$1.25-

1.40; 300-400 lbs., \$1.10-1.22; 400-

500 lbs., \$1.00-1.08; 500-600 lbs., 88-

98¢; 600-700 lbs., 83-92¢; 700-800

lbs., 78-85¢.

Good stocker cow/calf pairs, \$850-

1000 by the head; medium cow/calf

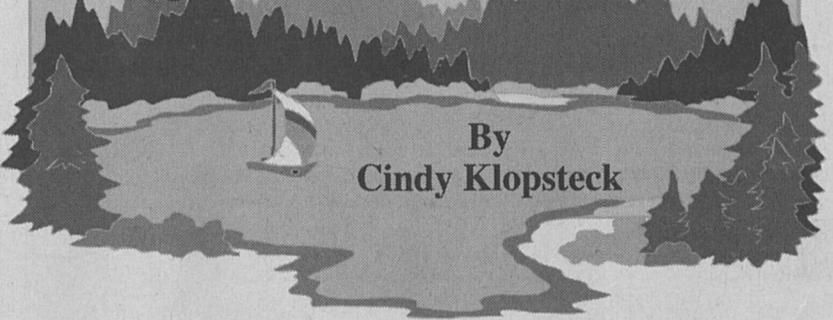
pairs, \$750-825; common cow/calf

pairs, \$700-745; good stocker cows &

heifers, \$780-900; medium stocker

cows & heifers, \$650-750.

## Views Around the Lake



By Cindy Klopstech

"How old would you be if you didn't know how old you were?"

You've got to love the question - but what's your answer? It's a good question at any time, but most pertinent at the time of one's birth date, and October contains mine. (We're not going to get too detailed here - no need to name exact dates or years - rough estimates will suffice)

The Bishop previously pastored in San Marcos, and other Texas areas, and is the former Bishop of the State of Arkansas, and was recently featured on the front page of the religion section of the Houston Chronicle.

She is trying to visit over 500 Texas Methodist Churches in her first six months in office, so as to ask each congregation what problems and goals they have for the future; and will have all of the answers compiled so as to give her a sense of direction for the next six years.

The public is invited to a 7 p.m. Christian Bible Study. Our current lesson is Building the Ark of Christian families.

On the 15<sup>th</sup> our confirmation class of five young people will travel to Houston to Beth Israel Synagogue to view a traditional Jewish worship service and meet with a rabbi to learn more about the Torah and the roots of the Christian faith.

I reflect back to when my mother was my current age. She acted, dressed and (I thought) had the mental capacity of a 50+ year old.

I loved my mother and am not criticizing her, but merely stating that

she was in the norm of living at 50-something during late 1960-something. A good friend tells me (she's read and heard) that, in years of age, today's 50's are the new 30's. That makes me feel great until I remember back to those late 60's when I thought people in their 30's were old. By the time I'm entering the next decade of my life, the 60's will be the new 40's and we'll all be confused as to the numerical value placed on our life?

Obviously, at various times in our lives different ages mean different things. I always enjoy noting the passage of college students into the workforce. Prior to that time, most of these young adults clearly distinguish the various age groups; most of their friends/acquaintances are their own age.

But when you're 22, work next to a 42 year old you familiarly address by first name, have a 32 year old boss

you address respectfully by surname and a 62 year old client who begs you to "just call me Bob", age seems to

become (thankfully) irrelevant. We may be 40, 50 or 60 but we can remember well the decade of our 20's: new-found friends of various ages at new-found places of employment; the decade of our 30's: getting that new house and watching the births of our precious children; the decade of our 40's: waving goodbye to those children, now grown, as they leave home for higher education or a new life. There are certain moments we want to truly savor for every year we have proudly lived and conquered.

"The great thing about getting older is that you don't lose all the other ages you've been."

Madeleine L'Engle, best-selling author

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Garwood and Nada were well represented at the Colorado County Fair with 31 projects. Four of these were awarded Grand or Reserve Champion positions. Kari Mahalite had the Grand Champion Steer, Korby Halla had the Reserve Champion Steer, Clayton Watz had the Reserve Champion Heifer, and Noelle Jurica had the Reserve Champion Lamb.

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