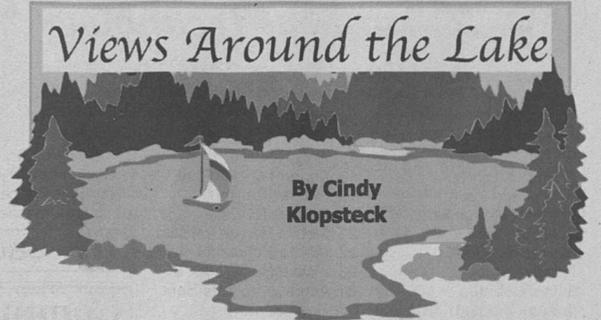


# SPORTS



By Cindy Klopsteck

## Rice 7<sup>th</sup> grade beats Columbus

The 7<sup>th</sup> grade Raiders defeated the Columbus Cardinals Thursday night by a score of 36-16.

Johnny Castaneda made the first score on a 20-yard run. Leading the way blocking for him were Jonathan Contreras, Carlos Sosa, Jesse Johnson and Jacob Munoz. Francisco Vasquez made the extra point run on a pitch behind Chris Dorsey, Jairo Mendoza and Kenny Kretschmer.

Later, Castaneda would score again following the same blockers on the left side. The extra point was made this time on a reverse run by J.J. Riggins.

The third score was on another run

by Castaneda around the left side following Sosa, Contreras and Johnson. This time the extra point failed.

The last two scores were also made by Castaneda on two runs again on the left side of the line. The first of these extra points was good on a pass from Tim Morales to Chris Dorsey and the second failed.

Offensive stats — rushing: Castaneda, 93 yards; Vasquez, 53; K. Ellis, 25; Morales, 10; C. Farrow, seven; L.L. Miller, six.

Defense — tackles: Ellis, seven; Morales, six; Vasquez, five; Dorsey, four; Castaneda, three; Sosa, two; Rangel, Leal, Benton, Hull and Contreras, one each.

## Volleyball season coming to an end

The Lady Jr. High teams have been playing well this season. They have had some ups and downs but have improved greatly. We look forward to seeing them play again next year.

The Jr. High Lady Raiders lost their last two games to Columbus and Bellville.

The 8<sup>th</sup> grade B team lost to Columbus in two games 15-25 and 15-25 and the A team lost in three games 4-25, 26-24, and 22-25.

The 7<sup>th</sup> grade B team lost to Columbus in two games 10-25 and 11-25. The A team also lost in two games 7-25 and 12-25.

The 8<sup>th</sup> grade B team lost to Bellville 8-25 and 14-25 and the A team lost 8-25 and 9-25.

The 7<sup>th</sup> grade B team lost to Bellville in three games 25-17, 8-25, and 17-25 and the A team lost 3-25 and 11-25.

The Jr. High Lady Raiders have two games left in the season against Hempstead and Navasota. Come support the girls as they finish the volleyball season.

Right on Prairie Street.

The houses we pass are beautiful, many historical. Eagle Lake indeed has a great history and some of the large, older, renovated homes we see are proud physical reminders of that rich history.

Right on Strickland.

There's a large group of walkers some 50 yards ahead of us, a small group among us, another group of perhaps 10 then some 30 yards behind, and groups out of sight in both directions. Mary Ann Kaluza and I decide we're about midway in the pack, and we're happy with that location.

Right on State.

This scattered band of walkers — some quick near jogger's speed and others more slow and sure — all walk with purpose. Numbering approximately 75, we started our journey at the Community Center minutes earlier, a rather early 8 a.m. for a Saturday morning. All in white t-shirts pinned with pink ribbon, male walkers sporting blue lettering and the ladies with pink lettering "Walk for the Cure", we represent the second annual 5K local walk sponsored by the Rice Medical Center and the City of Eagle Lake.

Left on Cemetery.

Besides walking for a good cause in general, participants can specify if they are walking in support of someone who is a breast cancer survivor or in memory of someone who had lived with breast cancer and is not forgotten. As we walk another mile, pass more pink-ribboned markers and turn more corners, some of us personally share the lives of those we represent in our walk. Mary Ann is walking for a good friend, a breast cancer survivor and source of inspiration. I am walking in support of her also, but in memory of a neighbor of mine who died with breast cancer 10 years ago, after living a beautiful life as a wife, mother, grandmother and dear friend to many. It would be inspiring to hear all the stories our footsteps represent

— the many individuals who are honored and remembered in October, Breast Cancer Prevention Month, in various activities like the one in which we are now participating, across the entire state and country. I do get to meet Susan Hernandez, the coordinator of this event, who walks primarily in memory of her mother. She tells me of her mother's courage and how she would be proudly and enthusiastically cheering for the Astros in their pennant race. She invites us to see the pink-ribboned tree of hope in the lobby of Rice Medical Center—a green tree holding the names of all those supported and remembered during last year's walk. At Christmas, the tree will bear the names from this walk — pink ribbons and bows symbolizing love and hope and carrying the names of those not to be forgotten.

Left on Walnut.

Nearing the end of this walk, our dedicated group is still scattered at different paces. Occasionally approaching other small groups, we join and walk together, still noting the beautiful homes and real estate we pass, but never quite forgetting the real purpose of our walk.

Right on Lake.

In the walk of life, we truly do not know what lies beyond the turn at the next corner. We take the corner — but we don't quite know how many more steps we'll have, the opportunities we'll receive, and if we'll always have that special person next to us to walk with for the remainder of our journey.

Right on Main, and headed back home.

Walking with a purpose. "Walking for the Cure".

Walking...with hope.

## Raider Review

### RHS student council hosts annual fall blood drive

By Laci Raybon

The Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center, under the team leader Sabrina Narcisse, recently came to our school for our Annual Fall Blood Drive. The blood drive sponsored by the Rice High School Student Council, was held Sept. 27 in Jack Grammer Gymnasium. The blood drive provides community service for local residents. Blood donations were given by students and nearly 20 local community members. This drive generated the equivalent of 57 units of blood, and each unit given can be used to save three lives.

Another type of blood donation done at this drive was the Double Red Cell Apheresis. This procedure collects two units of red blood cells from the same donor during a single donation procedure. The blood type most needed, and most often collected this way is type O blood. Since only the red blood cells are collected, the donor's plasma and 500 mls. of saline solution are returned to the donor's blood system after the red cells are collected. Several students took part in this procedure. All of the students and community members who took part in the blood drive are congratulated and thanked for their unselfish donation of the "Gift of Life".

"When you reach the end of your rope, tie a knot in it and hang on."

Thomas Jefferson (1743-1826), 3<sup>rd</sup> US President (D)

The Rock Island Volunteer Fire Department's

## Halloween Carnival



will be held

Saturday,

October 23, 2004

from 7:00p.m. until ???

at the

Rock Island Community Center

Many Activities--Fun For All Ages!



Halloween

Costume Contest

8:00 P.M.

Dunking Boothe--Moon Walk



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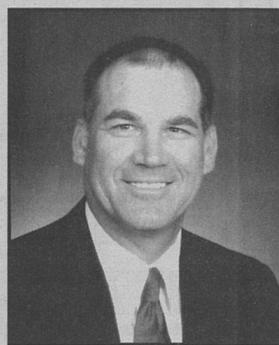
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### Ringling in the Ears Affects Millions

Over 75% of all ear-related problems such as injury, infections, or tumors include tinnitus as a symptom. Known as a noise originating in the ear and not the outside environment, tinnitus is usually heard as a ringing or hum that only the hearer can hear. Aside from signaling an ear problem that should be examined by a doctor, tinnitus is also responsible for sleep deprivation, inability to focus concentration, and shortened attention span. Tinnitus is thought to affect almost 40 million Americans at some point in their lifetimes.

Tinnitus that is caused by an underlying health condition such as infection, high blood pressure, or diabetes can sometimes be stopped by the starting or increasing the dose of medications that treat that condition while under a healthcare provider's supervision. Prescribed medications such as certain chemotherapy agents, diuretics, seizure medications, or anything with a large amount of quinine have been known to cause or worsen existing tinnitus. Alternative medications may be available that help lessen the noise. For those who have trouble maintaining sleep due to tinnitus, prescription sleep medications like zolpidem (Ambien) can help with both sleep and ringing problems, since being deprived of sleep is another known problem that can worsen tinnitus.



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- Supported by every major education, business, agriculture and law enforcement group in Texas
- Robby has worked hard for rural Texas (4 terms) and will continue to do so by putting partisan politics aside and doing what is right for the people of House District 17.
- Robby is a proven supporter of local education, seeking local control and property tax relief for local school districts
- Rural Texas has a friend in Robby Cook. We need to keep him working for us as a senior legislature and Chair of the Rural Caucus

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## YFS fundraiser social event of the year

Youth and Family Services (YFS) Executive Director, Dan Peevy, is anxious to see the Board of Directors' Fall Fundraiser for the Agency get off the ground as the first ticket is sold to the Nov. 6 luncheon and fashion show to be held at The Falls Country Club in New Ulm. Jo Churchill, president of the Columbus Christian Women's Organization (CCWO) purchased the first ticket.

YFS Board Member and Luncheon Chairwoman, Riana Jamison notes the

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## News from Pastor Ken

On October 12 over 20 volunteers from the Eagle Lake Food Pantry had a lovely lunch, and each then received a large pot of mums to take home and plant; as a way for the ministers to say Thank You for all of the Monday mornings you serve our Eagle Lake community.

In the following ministers business meeting it was noted that ever increasing numbers of clients from Garwood, and Nada are coming to use the services of the food pantry, and that more volunteers from local churches are needed on Monday mornings to serve the community. The food pantry is located in the First Baptist Church of Eagle Lake, and volunteers are welcome to come by and see the need.

Speaking of volunteers, the Eagle Lake after school program at the Lighthouse called to tell me they have 60 children in the Tuesday thru Thursday program, and were in serious need of some caring adults.

The Eagle Lake Halloween Fall Children's Carnival will be from 5 to 7 p.m., at the Catholic Parish of the Nativity, and is a low cost, Christian opportunity to play games, eat, and visit with friends on October 31.

On a personal note, while driving out of Eagle Lake the other afternoon with my daughter we stopped to watch all of the beautiful birds coming off one of the area rice fields. The weather was perfect, the windows on the truck were down, and I reminded Jennifer, "This is the day that the Lord has made, we shall rejoice and be glad in it." To which she added amen as a beautiful heron flew past us. We need to take time to enjoy Gods beauty right in front of us. With all the hard work, troubles, and problems. Stop, to Thank God sometimes. It's a good thing; it's a God thing.