

Lady Raiders Track Team Takes Silver At District

The Rice Lady Raider varsity track team took second at the District 20-3A meet last Tuesday and Wednesday in Bellville. The Lady Raiders scored 126 points behind Champion Sealy. "We knew we didn't have the depth that we have had in the past, but we feel we have a good shot at the Regional Championship if things go our way," stated Coach Dumont.

The relay teams swept all Gold. The 400m relay team of Amber Cunningham, Ashley Stovall, Edricka

Thomas and Cunneisha Foster ran their best time of the year 48.64.

The same quartet ran a season best 1:42.89 in the 800m relay.

The 1600m relay team of Hillary Johnson, Thomas, Ja'keista Winfield and Foster also ran a season best 4:04.90.

"We are very excited that we are running our best at this time of the year," Assistant Coach Freda Evans said.

Other medal winners advancing

to Regionals were Micha Hoelscher in the pole vault, 8'6". Gold medal winner.

Silver Medal winners were Foster in the triple jump (37'4"), Ka'Shonda Tillman in the discus, 112", Brittan'ee Stevenson high jump, 4'11", Stovall in the 100m dash, 12.44, and Johnson in the 400m dash, 62.29.

Bronze Medal winner was Foster in the long jump, 16'11".

All of these girls will be advancing to Regionals.

Other point winners were Desiree Toliver in the 100m hurdles, 4th, 16.19; Stevenson, triple jump, 4th, 34'5"; Cunningham, 6th, 200m dash, 27.78; and Morgan Dumont, 6th, 800m dash, 2:39.

The girls will run in Brenham at the Regional Qualifiers meet this Friday. Field events will start at 4 p.m. Running at 6 p.m.

The Regional meet will take place Friday and Saturday, April 28 and 29 in Humble.

Rice Raider Track Team Finishes Third At District Meet

The Rice Raider varsity and junior varsity boys track teams participated in the Bellville district track meet on Tuesday and Wednesday of last week.

The varsity team placed third with a team total of 117 points and nine team members qualified for the regional meet.

The JV boys took second with 144 points.

Results were as follows:

Varsity team: 400m relay: 43.39, 5th, Sylvester Middleton, Duryel Stevenson, Jaylon Pettus, Brian Williams;

800m relay: 1:30.55, 3rd, Regional Qualifier, Middleton, Stevenson, Pet-

tus, Williams;

1600m relay: 3:33.13, 5th, Middleton, Pettus, Anthony Johnson, Luke Shimek;

100m dash: Williams, 2nd, Regional Qualifier, 10.76; 800m dash: Nicholas Salinas, 4th, 2:06;

1600m run: Johnson, 1st, Regional Qualifier, 4:43.86; Luis Samaniego, 4th, 5:06.17; Tony Vasquez, 6th, 5:13.21;

3200m run: Johnson, 1st, Regional Qualifier, 10:35.22; Samaniego, 2nd, Regional Qualifier, 10:48.50;

110m hurdles: Shimek, 1st, Regional Qualifier, 14.30; Jeremy Hill, 2nd, Regional Qualifier, 15.40;

300m hurdles, Shimek, 1st, Regional

Qualifier, 40.87;

Long jump: Stevenson, 6th, 19'7.5"; Triple jump: Middleton, 3rd, Regional Qualifier, 41'9";

Shot put: Curtis Williams, 1st, Regional Qualifier, 46'9.25"; Marcus Hernandez, 5th, 43'8.5";

Discus: Brent Botard, 4th, 128'4"; Jacob Preather, 6th, 121'11".

JV team: 400m relay: 46.20, 2nd, Zacchaeus Foster, Dominique Weeks, Jarrod Hemphill, Jasmine Hemphill;

800m relay: 1:36.03, 1st, Foster, Weeks, Jasmine Hemphill, Jerome McAfee;

1600m relay: 3:45.00, 5th, Fernando Cano, Kory Aldridge, Jasmine Hemp-

hill, McAfee;

200m dash: Foster, 1st, 24.10; Weeks, 3rd, 24.40; McAfee, 5th, 24.89;

400m dash: Cano, 2nd, 55.97; Aldridge, 3rd, 56.52;

1600m run: Garreth Casper, 5th, 5:42.41;

110 hurdles: Tanner Williams, 2nd, 18.02; Dewey Pettus, 4th, 18.77;

300m hurdles: Williams, 2nd, 44.65; Pettus, 4th, 46.95;

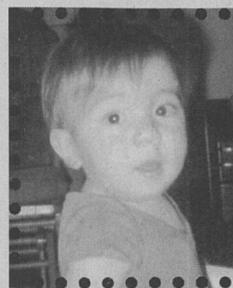
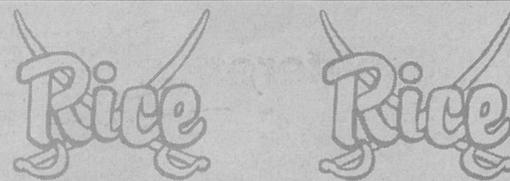
High jump: Marquis Toliver, 1st, 5.6";

Long jump: Foster, 1st, 18'11";

Triple jump: Foster, 1st, 37'7.5";

Pole vault: Josh Williams, 1st, 9'6";

Discus: Trent Popp, 3rd, 103'0".



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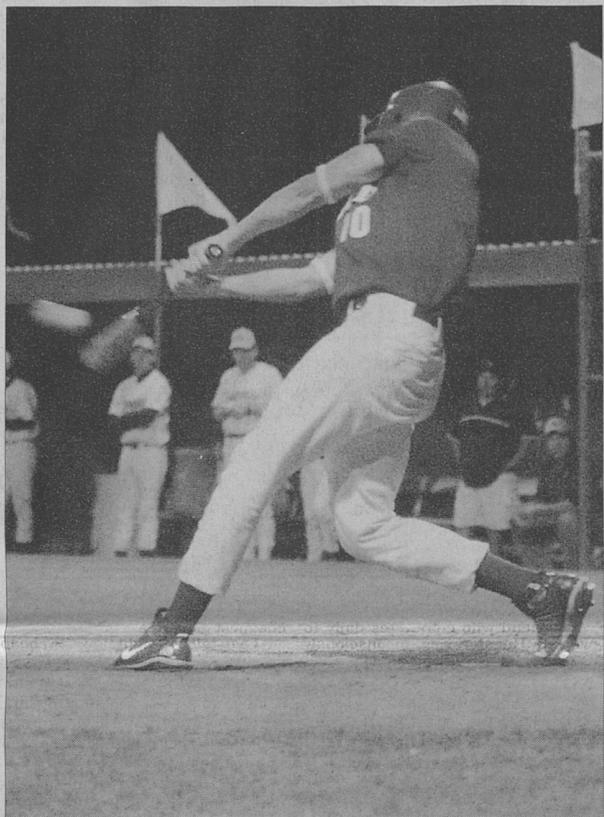
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Taylor Cook connects with a pitch against Faith Academy last Thursday night.



Ross Lobpries slides across home to score a run against Faith Academy last Thursday night.

Raiders Can Seal Playoffs With Win

The Raiders can sew-up a spot in the playoffs with a win over Navasota on Friday night.

The Rice Raider Varsity Baseball team went 1-1 the last two games versus Victoria Faith Academy and Bellville. The Raiders beat Victoria Faith Academy 6-3 on Thursday in a non-district contest and lost to Bellville Monday night 9-2 in Altair.

Versus Victoria Faith Academy the leading hitters were: Ross Lobpries, 1 for 4, RBI; Michael Morales 1 for 3; Lance Morales 1 for 2, 2 BB; Taylor Cook 2 for 4, triple 2 RBI; Kurt Stern 2 for 3, double.

On the mound for the Raiders were the two freshmen. Trent Popp pitched the first three innings giving up three runs on only one hit. Matt

Sosa collected the victory for the Raiders pitching the last four innings not giving up a run and only gave up two Faith Academy hits.

On Monday the Raiders faced the second place Bellville Brahmas. The Raiders could have shaken up the playoff picture with a win versus the Brahmas. The Raiders were ahead 2-1 going into the sixth and gave up a five spot in the sixth on 5 walks and only one Brahma hit. The Brahmas then tacked on three more in the seventh to make the final 9-2.

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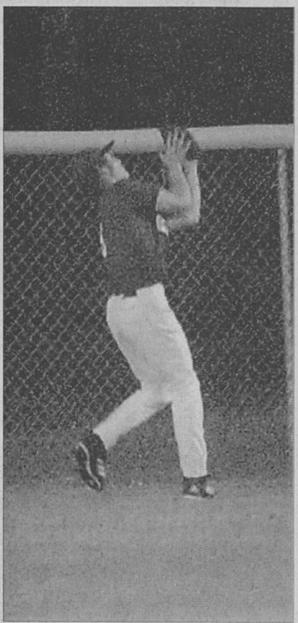
L. Morales started for the Raiders on the mound pitching 5 and 2/3 innings and absorbed the loss. M.

Morales faced two batters in the sixth. Cook came in pitched 2/3 of inning and Matt Sosa finished the game with 2/3 of an inning.

The Raiders face Navasota in a very important game on Friday at Navasota at 7 p.m. This is by far the most important game ever for the Raider baseball program cause the playoffs are on the line. With a Raider win the Raiders will make the Class 3A playoffs. Come out and support the Raiders!!

District Standings

Columbus 8-0
Bellville 7-1
Rice 4-4
Navasota 3-5
Sealy 2-6
Hempstead 0-8



Jeremy Hill hauls in a fly ball against Faith Academy last Thursday night.

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