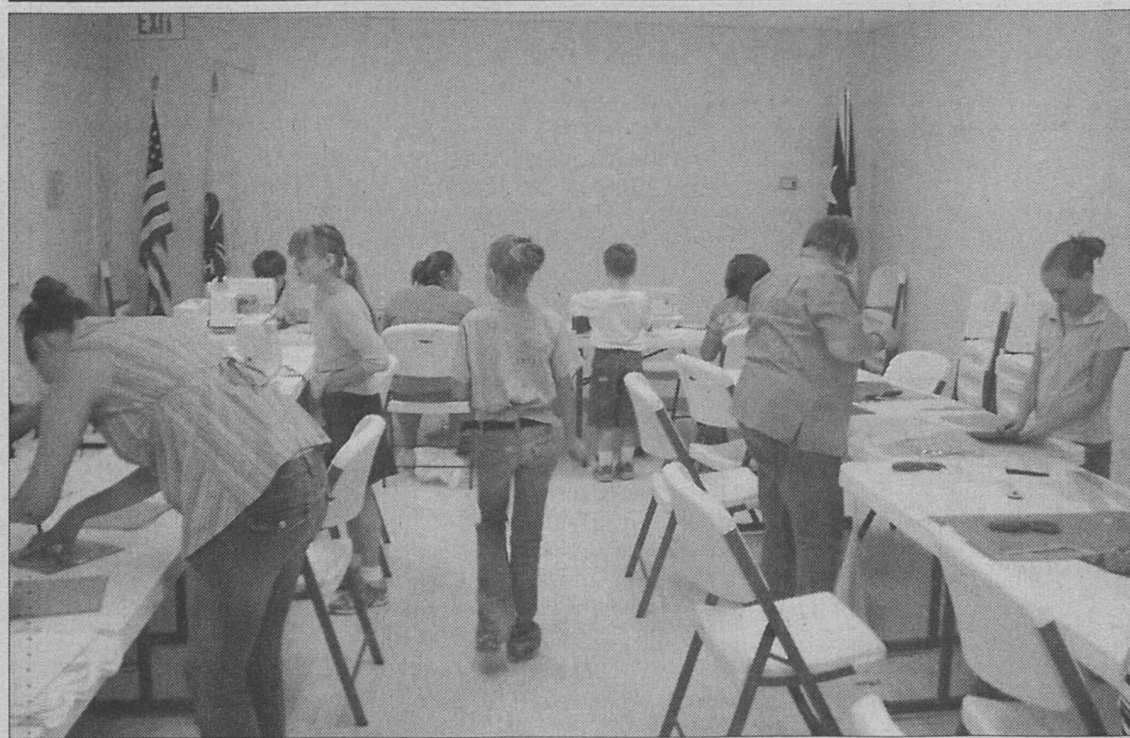




Sheridan 4-Hers recently participated in a quilting day.

Sheridan 4-H Has Quilting Class

Nine Sheridan 4-H Club members participated in a quilting class held Saturday, Oct. 21 at the Colorado County Agriculture Building. The youth cut out, pieced and constructed a table runner using the Orange Peel quilting pattern. At the end of the day, the 4-Hers had learned

some basic sewing techniques, how to use a sewing machine, quilting templates, rotary cutters and other quilting and sewing implements.

4-Hers participating in this project included Sandra Bryant, Brittany and Kayla Machart, Melissa Beck, Will Dugger, Trent

and Ashley Rollins, Kathryn Schlaudraff and Lorena Williamson. They were assisted by leaders Darnell Varley, Shirley Pittman, Marsh Rollins, Regena Williamson, Colleen Dugger, Carmen Jackson, Sharon Grahmann and County Extension Agent Sally Garrett.

Confederate Daughters Attend Convention

The Shropshire-Upton Chapter of the Daughters of the Confederacy held their monthly meeting on October 12, 2006.

Members Katherine Benson, Millycent Cordes, and Sarah Uzzi attended the 110th Texas Division Convention in Houston October 5th to October 8th, 2006.

The Chapter received a Third

Place Award for Military Service Awards and a Certificate in Grateful Recognition of Supporting the Charge of the Education Committee by Sponsoring Scholarship Applicants.

Sarah Uzzi was elected Historian of the Texas Division. A novel entitled "The Widow of the South", by Robert Hicks presented to

the Chapter by Mary Lynn Skinner was donated to the Nesbitt Library.

A Halloween program was presented by Merrill and Elaine Luman. The next meeting will be at the Colorado County Community Service Building on Radio Lane in Columbus on November 9, 2006.

Oil Drilling Permits Remain Steady

September Permits to Drill
The Texas Railroad Commission issued a total of 1,424 original drilling permits in September 2006 compared to 1,428 in September 2005.

The September total included 1,181 permits to drill new oil and gas wells, 59 to re-enter existing well bores, and 184 for re-completions.

Permits issued in September 2006 included 246 oil, 369 gas, 769 oil and gas, 29 injection, zero service and 11 other permits.

August Crude Oil Production

Texas preliminary August 2006 crude oil production aver-

aged 882,757 barrels daily, up from the 717,359 barrels daily average of August 2005.

The preliminary Texas crude oil production figure for August 2006 is 27,581,157 barrels, an increase from 22,293,902 barrels reported during August 2005.

September Oil, Gas Completions

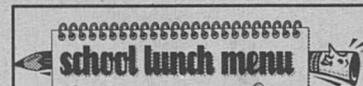
In September 2006, operators reported 356 oil, 650 gas, 26 injection and zero other completions compared to 261 oil, 680 gas, 13 injection and zero other completions during September 2005.

Total well completions for 2006 year to date are 9,798 up from 7,747 recorded during the same

period in 2005.

Operators reported 606 holes plugged and one dry hole in

September 2006 compared to 618 holes plugged and zero dry holes in September 2005.



Rice Schools 11/06-11/11 Breakfast

Mon. Breakfast Pocket or Cereal, Juice, Milk
Tue. Combo Bar, Graham Crackers or Cereal, Milk, juice
Wed. French Toast, Sausage Patty, juice, milk.
Thur. Waffle Sticks, Sausage Link or cereal, juice, milk.
Fri. Cereal, yogurt, juice, milk.

Lunch

Mon. Salisbury Steak w/ gravy, Rice, Green Beans, fresh fruit, milk. HS Alt: chicken nuggets
Tue. Pepperoni Pizza, Veggie Sticks, Cucumber Salad, fruit, milk. HS Alt: chicken salad
Wed. Chili Dog, Cheese, Pickle Spear, fries, fresh fruit, milk. HS Alt: frito pie.
Thu. Turkey w/gravy, Mashed potatoes, Peas & Carrots, Roll, fruit, milk. HS Alt: chicken tenders.
Fri. Ham Sandwich, Salad Sliced Pickles, Sun Chips, fresh fruit, milk. HS Alt: tuna sandwich

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Blinn To Hold College Day

Blinn College will host an informational event Nov. 15 on its Sealy campus for anyone making plans to attend college.

Called "Get aHEAD" (higher education awareness day), the come-and-go event will be held from 4-8 p.m. on the Blinn campus at 3701 Outlet Center Dr. in the Sealy Mall.

Those prospective students in attendance that night will be eligible in a drawing for a \$500 scholarship to attend classes on

the Sealy campus.

Parents of high-school-age students are also invited to attend this free event.

General information pertaining to admissions requirements and enrollment services, financial aid and scholarship opportunities, testing requirements, and college and career opportunities, including academic and technical education programs, will be presented by Blinn personnel.

"The event is designed for any-

one planning to attend college -- non-traditional-age students and high school-age students," said Kristi Urban, campus recruiting coordinator. "We want to equip them with the information they need when they begin the enrollment process."

Application forms for admission and financial aid will be available.

For more information on the event, call the college at 979-627-7997 or visit the campus.

WCJC To Do 'Romeo and Juliet'

The Wharton County Junior College (WCJC) Greenroom Players will present William Shakespeare's classic tragedy, "Romeo and Juliet," from Thursday, Nov. 16 through Sunday, Nov. 19 in the Horton Foote Theatre on the main campus. Curtain times are at 7:30 p.m. the first three days and 2:30 p.m. on the final day.

Tickets are \$4 each and can be purchased at the door or by calling 979-532-6300. Staff and students are admitted free.

Phil Hoke, WCJC theatre director, said this famous play about the fate of two young, ill-fated lovers will be presented by the Greenroom Players in a little different setting -- just prior to the Texas revolution.

"By familiarizing the work, we hope to draw more people to the incredible power and poetry of Shakespeare's classic love story," he said.

Josh Anderson of Boling plays Romeo and Leslie Goynes of Simonton plays Juliet. Johnny Rivera and April Reck play Romeo's parents, Montague and Lady

Montague. Phil Hoke and Mandie Barnette play Juliet's parents, Capulet and Lady Capulet. Other cast members include Leah Whatley (Nurse), Patrick Alvarado (Tybalt), Kevin Zahradnik (Benvolio), Travis Cavazos (Mercutio),

Jr. High Lady Raiders Take On Weimar

The Rice Raider Jr. High girls' volleyball team took on Weimar on Monday, Oct. 23.

The Wildcats have no 7th grade B team so the Raiders 7th grade A team won, 25-9; 25-12.

The 8th B team also won their games by the scores of 25-20; 23-25; and 25-21.

The 8th A Team was not as fortunate and lost their games, 25-20; 17-25; 17-25.

Bryan Hlavinka (Paris) and Faith Braverman (Prince).

Springtime productions featuring the Greenroom Players include "The Exonerated," which examines the core of capital punishment and "Man of La Mancha," the well-known musical about hope and virtue.

For additional information, contact Marge Kirby-French at 532-6300.

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School Days

Rice School Calendar 11/06-11/11

Mon.-Senior Class Meeting with Balfour to discuss invitations for graduation during activity period
Tue.-6:00p Girls Basketball vs. Fayetteville Here Program for K-6th Gr
Wed.-8:15a -11:30a PLAN Testing (all Sophomores) Student Picture RETAKES
Thu.- 3:15p Gertson Memorial 9th,JV Football vs. Industrial Here
Fri.- 7:30p Varsity Football vs. Industrial There End of 2nd Six Weeks Veterans Day Program 9:00am
Sat.- 11:00a Girls Basketball @ Van Vleck There Regional Cross Country Meet (TBA)

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