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## Rice Beats Brazos; Lago Vista Up Next

The Rice Raiders defeated Brazos last Friday night to extend their season by another week.

The Raiders had to come from behind in a tough game at Katy's Rhodes Stadium.

The Raiders faced a 19-14 deficit going into the final quarter of the contest.

Ziggy Foster gave the Raiders the lead less than a minute into the quarter when he broke free on a 72 yard carry for a touchdown.

"It was a very gratifying win with the injuries and turnovers," said Coach Brad Dumont.

The defense stepped it up all night," he said. "To shutout an explosive offense like Brazos was great. Despite injuries we had kids show lots of heart and determination to win," he added.

"Our offensive line played well again," he commented in regards to Foster's big game.

Foster had 194 yards rushing and three touchdowns in the game.

Taylor Cook threw for 98 yards, including a 34-yard touchdown pass to Peyton Arrison.

Brazos got the ball to open the game on the 32-yard line.

Brazos ran the ball twice to start the game, then completed a pass for eight yards to the 45.

After three more runs, they had a first down at the Raider 41.

Brazos threw incomplete on first down, then ran for four, then one making it fourth down and 5.

Brazos went for the first down, and broke free for a 36-yard touchdown.

The extra point was no good, making the score 6-0 with 7:06 left in the opening quarter.

The Raiders took the ball at the 45 for their first possession.

Foster got the call and broke

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### Raiders Vs. Lago Vista Friday

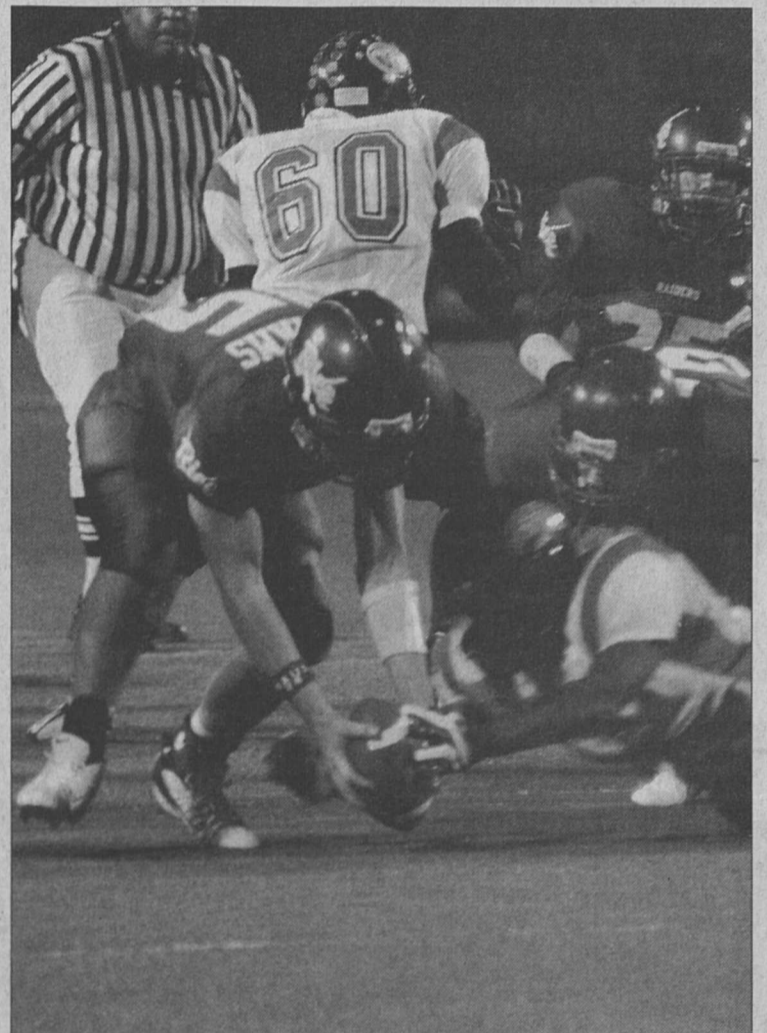
The Rice Raiders (10-1) will face the Lago Vista Vikings (7-4) in the area round of the playoffs on Friday night at 7:30 in Buda at Hays Consolidated I.S.D.

The Vikings come into the game off of a 21-7 victory over state ranked Franklin, who was favored in the game.

Coach Brad Dumont said Lago Vista heavily favors the run, only passing a handful of times per game.

He said they have a huge offensive line and a running back that has over 2,000 yards on the season.

They were 0-4 in district before winning their final three games of the season to make the playoffs.



Tanner Williams picks up a fumble for the Raiders during their win over Brazos last Friday night.



Falyn Braden cheers during the Raiders Bonfire last Thursday night.

## Robby Cook Will Not Seek Re-Election

State Rep. Robby Cook of Eagle Lake announced last week on Nov. 13 that he would not seek re-election to his seat in the state legislature.

Filing in the election for a two-year term starts on Dec. 3.

"To all my friends, colleagues, and constituents:

I am announcing that I will not seek reelection to the Texas House of Representatives for District 17," Cook said. "It has been a true honor, privilege and pleasure to have served in the Texas House for the last 6 terms.

I feel like my office has accomplished many of the goals that we had set when I first ran for election.

"It's time now for me to spend more time on the farm and with family," Cook said.

"I wish my colleagues success in the upcoming legislative session and future sessions as they continue to grapple with the issues of our rapidly growing State.

My constituency can rest assured that my staff and I will continue to serve them and whatever

needs they may have through the end of my current term."

Cook said the desire to return to his family rice farming operation and to spend more time with his family were the main factors in his decision.

However, he did not note that it appeared politics in Austin have been more partisan in recent years.

The last several years have been contentious," he said.

But he also added: "That's just the nature of the business." And he said he had never

intended to be a long-term representative.

"I never planned to be a career politician," he said.

Asked to name some of the accomplishments during his tenure, Cook said he was most produce of legislation that he was instrumental in to protect surface and groundwater in the state.

And he predicted that water issues will continue to be important.

"Water is going to continue to see a battle of rural and urban

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Recently the Wintermann Foundation awarded a grant to the Colorado County EMS for a new ambulance to serve our area. Pictured from left to right Tom Flemming, Carolyn Baird, Steve Balas, Darrell Gertson, Becky Moulder, Judi Johnson, Jack Johnson, Don Bendy, Judge Al Jamison, and Charles Rodgers. See story on page 8.

## Water District Holds First Meeting

The newly created Colorado County Groundwater Conservation District held its first meeting on Thursday, Nov. 15.

The new board members, also elected on Nov. 15, took their oaths of office.

Tom Kelley, who had been president of the temporary board, was also elected president of the permanent board.

Bill Briscoe was elected vice president.

Marian Schonenberg was elected secretary.

Other board members are Betty Schurring, Scott Brasher, Mike Wostarek and Jim Wiese.

It was noted that the district covers the entire county except for about 700 acres near the Wharton County line at Chesterville, which had petitioned earlier to be part of the water conservation district that covers Wharton County.

Kelley reported on a recent water-planning meeting that he attended.

He said that while computer

models are still being prepared, there were some predictions that water use in this region in the next 50 years could drop the water table an average of 50 feet from current levels.

The board also discussed the fact that it currently has no money to operate.

While the board can levy a tax of up to 3 cents per \$100 valuation, it will not be able to begin collecting that money until next October, at the earliest.

Kelley said that the district can obtain a loan to finance operations, until the tax money is available.

He mentioned the possibility of a loan in the neighborhood of \$10,000. He said the district could borrow from a bank or from the state water development board. He said he was told in some instances districts have also borrowed from county government.

Directors noted they will need funds for things like copying costs, postage and attending seminars

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### CDA to hold study, fellowship

The 20<sup>th</sup> Century District Association will hold a combined mission study and fellowship on Saturday, Nov. 24 at 10 a.m. Host churches will be Greater Mt. Olive Baptist Church and New Home Baptist Church.

### Chamber office now open

A reminder to the citizens of Eagle Lake, the Chamber Office is now open Monday thru Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

### Sealy Dance Club to hold public Dance Dec. 1

The Sealy Dance Club will be hosting a public Dance Saturday, December 1 at the American Legion Hall in Sealy. Dance time is 7:30 to 11:30 p.m. Music will be provided by the "Texas Sound Czech". The theme for this dance is Mistletoe and Magic Christmas Affair. Every dance is a big party and fun time. Free cake, coffee, sandwiches, chips, dips and door prizes. The public is invited. For information call 979-885-3589.

### GRSBC program is Dec. 2

Greater Rising Star Baptist Church (GRSBC) 9<sup>th</sup> Pastor Aid Program will be held Sunday, Dec. 2 at 3 p.m. Speaker will be Rev. K. Wicks, Rev. Truman Scott, Sr. pastor.

## City Council Discusses Alley, Sewage, Trees

At their November 13 meeting, the Eagle Lake City Council discussed the use of an alley off of Gonzales St. Several residents near the alley complained, at a previous meeting, that after the alley was opened by the property owner, traffic on it had caused large amounts of dust to be stirred into the air.

The property owner opened the alley in order to provide access for some manufactured homes that are on their property.

Residents also complained that they have suffered some property damage from vehicles coming into their yard from the narrow alley.

They say that they are afraid their health could be affected and

want something done to at least stop the dust.

The matter had been discussed at a previous meeting and Mayor Mike Morales said that he had been in contact with the property owner, of the alleyway, and said that he was told something would be put down over the path to help with the dust.

Morales said that as far as he could see, nothing had been done since he had made contact with the property owner.

Council was in agreement that the situation needed to be remedied.

City Manager Ron Holland said that he felt the alley should just be closed because it doesn't

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## Kris Kringle Cash To Get Underway

Warm your pockets with a little extra cash this Holiday Season by entering The Eagle Lake Headlight's Kris Kringle Cash Contest.

Beginning this week, lucky readers can win \$50 a week for their holiday shopping.

Starting today, a special Christmas symbol will be placed in advertisements throughout the Headlight each week through the Dec. 13 edition.

Simply count the number

of times the symbol appears in advertisements in the entire paper for that week, fill out the form on Page 2 and submit by the deadline.

Deadline for this week is 5 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 26.

Every entry that has the correct number of symbols counted will be entered in the drawing.

Two entries will be drawn each week and the winner will be awarded a \$25 check or gift cer-

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