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The Rice Raiders beat Hempstead last Friday, and are just one win away from an undefeated regular season. Above, a host of Raiders gang up for a tackle.

Raiders Beat Hempstead

The Rice Raider Football team pushed their record to 8-0 on the season with a 20-6 win over Hempstead on Homecoming night last Friday.

The Raiders are now just one win away from a perfect regular season. They travel to Brazos this Friday night for the regular season finale. Game time is 7:30

p.m.

Rice has already clinched its playoff spot, and will face Salado in the Bi-District on Friday, November 14 in Seguin at 7:30 p.m.

There will be a bonfire pep rally on Thursday, November 13 at 6:00 p.m. at the High School in Altair.

Brazos is 3-5 on the year with

a 1-4 district mark.

Offensively they average only 325.8 yards per game, while giving up about 377 yards.

Against Hempstead, the Raiders offense cranked out 321 yards while allowing only 176.

Ziggy Foster broke the 1,000 yard mark for the season with a 168-yard performance. He had one touchdown on the night. For the season he now has 1,108 yards and 13 rushing touchdowns.

Myles Dumont was 11 of 18 passing for 152 yards and two touchdowns.

Mario Hull had seven catches for 96 yards, including a 20-yard touchdown.

The Raiders scored first with the 20-yard pass to Hull with 6:23 left in the first quarter.

Hempstead got on the board with a 22-yard touchdown pass, but Erik Gold blocked the extra point to keep the Raiders ahead by one.

Rice scored again at the 6:50 mark of the third quarter on a 21-yard pass to J.J. Reggins.

The Raiders added one more touchdown with 6:28 on the clock on a Foster touchdown run from six yards out.

Defensive standouts for the Raiders were:

Tanner Williams, 8 total tackles, 2 solo; Dewey Pettus, 7 total tackles, 2 solo; Chris Dorsey, 7 total tackles, 1 solo, sack; Chito Vasquez, 6 total tackles, 1 solo; Tim Morales, 5 solo tackles, interception; Kevin Ellis, 5 total tackles, 1 solo, 2 sacks.

Garwood Teacher Issues Apology For Party Pics

A Rice School District teacher, who was the focus of concerns about circulation of pictures from a private costume party depicting African-Americans in a derogatory fashion, has issued an apology.

The action came last week after more than 100 people attended a meeting at Rice High School and confronted Superintendent Mike Lanier about the issue.

"I am truly sorry for the harm and offense that was taken from recently circulated pictures," Cynthia Boenisch said in statement given to the Headlight on October 31.

"Let me assure each of you that there was never any intent to hurt anyone, but I realize now that this situation has done just that. I have taught in this school district for 31 years and have always tried to the best of my ability to treat my students fairly and respectfully and I will continue to do so.

Please pray for peace in our communities and our school district!"

Her complete statement is

Wessels Re-Elected, Kleinschmidt Wins House

Voters in Colorado county went to the polls in record numbers Tuesday to register their choices in national, state and local elections.

In Colorado County a total of 8,411 voters cast ballots, a turnout of 61.3 percent.

It surpassed the 7,737 votes cast in the last presidential year 2004.

Voters in the county returned Precinct 1 Commissioner Doug Wessels, a Republican, to another four-year term in office. Precinct 1 covers the southern part of the county including part of Columbus, and the communities of Rock Island, Garwood and Nada.

Wessels received 1,345 votes and his Democratic challenger

Ken Drlik received 711.

There were two contested elections for positions on the Colorado County Groundwater District board of directors.

In the election for Place 3, Precinct 3 director, Whyman Psencik was the top voter getter with 621 votes, followed by Tom Yates with 471 and C.W. Wendt with 451. Incumbent Mike Wostarek did not seek re-election.

In the election for water district Place 2, Precinct 2, incumbent Thomas Hudec received 943 voters, compared to 438 for challenger Donald Hoeinghaus.

In the presidential race, Colorado County bucked the national trend and backed John McCain and Sarah Palin over Barack

Obama and Joe Biden.

McCain-Palin received 5,790 votes in the county, compared to 2,503 for Obama-Biden.

In the election for U.S. Representative in District 25, incumbent Lloyd Doggett held a commanding lead over challenger George Morovich. In incomplete returns, Doggett had 186,000 votes to 86,000 for Morovich. The district covers part of Travis County and seven other counties, southeast of Austin.

In Colorado County, Morovich outpolled Doggett, 4,375 to 3,421.

In election for State Representative District 17, Republican Tim Kleinschmidt was winning election over Democrat Donnie

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The poll in Eagle Lake was busy on Tuesday as voters came to vote. Above, Jenna Cook gets signed in to vote as her father, outgoing State Representative Robbie Cook, waits his turn.



Emergency workers work on the scene of a wreck that happened Friday about noon four miles east of Garwood on FM950. The truck, driven by Allen Rubesh of Louise, was westbound when it lost control and veered off the road. Rubesh was taken to Rice Medical Center by the Colorado County EMS. The accident was investigated by DPS Trooper Thomas Janak.

NEWSBRIEFS

Closings for Veterans Day

The following will be closed in observance for Veteran's Day. Colorado County Courthouse, Wallis State Bank, First National Bank. The City will close Tuesday, Nov. 11. There will be no trash collection on Tuesday. Tuesday's route will be collected on Wednesday, Wednesday's route will be collected Thursday, Thursday's route and Friday's route will be collected on Friday. The Headlight will be open.

ELJH to hold Book Fair!

The Eagle Lake Junior High (ELJH) will hold their Scholastic Book Fair thru November 7 in the library at 7:45 a.m. until 3:45 p.m. This will be a great time to buy early Christmas presents and support the ELJH library. So, come to the ELJH School and check out our book fair!

Attention all photographers!!!

The Live Oak Camera Club will have its Nov. meeting Thursday, Nov. 6 at 7 p.m. at the Live Oak Art Center (LOAC) in Columbus. Meetings are held the first Thursday of each month. We are excited to be partnering with the LOAC for our meetings!! All persons interested in photography are invited to attend. This is open to pros, amateurs and folks who still have their cameras in the box!! :-). We will explore Q & A sessions, photo challenges and workshops on various aspects of photography. Both film and digital will be discussed. This month's Photo Challenge is to take an "Abstract" photo and bring it to the meeting for discussion...use your creativity and imagination! Bring your camera! Go to www.ACriticalEye.org for more information.

WCJC to present "Twelfth Night"

Wharton County Junior College (WCJC) and The Greenroom Players will present William Shakespeare's classic romantic comedy Twelfth Night on Nov. 6-9 at the Horton Foote Theatre, Wharton campus. The play is being updated to the time of the early 70s with costumes, make-up, and music reflecting the idealized romance of that period. Show times are 7:30 p.m. for Nov. 6-8 and 2:30 p.m. for Nov. 9. Cost is \$4 and students are free with ID. This is the drama department's entry in the Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival and should prove to be a delightful evening's entertainment. A Center for the Arts series presentation.

Wintermann to hold Book Sale!!

The Eula & David Wintermann Library will be having their annual Book Sale on Friday, Nov. 7 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and again on Saturday, Nov. 8 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Books available will range from adult fiction, self-help books, children's books, audio books and much, much more. Come by and support your local library.

Old Skool selling chicken dinners

Old Skool Organization will be selling chicken dinners on Friday, Nov. 7 starting at 10 a.m. The dinner consists of 3 pieces of chicken (wings), green beans, salad, bread and a dessert. We will deliver if you need us to, please order ahead of time. For additional information contact Jerome McAfee at 979-531-9070 or Jimmy Foster at 979-257-3467.

GMOMBC to hold services

Greater Mount Olive Missionary Baptist Church (GMOMBC) will be honoring Pastor Dave Curry and his wife for two years of faithful service. The pre-anniversary services will be Thursday and Friday Nov. 6-7. The anniversary service will be held Sunday Nov. 9 at 3 p.m. The guest speaker will be Rev. O. Rhodes. The public is invited to attend.

Senior citizens dance is Friday

A senior citizen's dance will be held Friday, Nov. 7 at the Eagle Lake Community Center from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. The Fabulous 4 will provide the music. For more information call 979-234-2903.

Play-off t-shirt orders underway

Raider football play-off t-shirt presale orders are underway. The

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Pictured above are Homecoming King and Queen Zacheaus Foster and Dominique Tillman. The king was crowned at Friday's pep rally and the queen was crowned during halftime at Friday's game.

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