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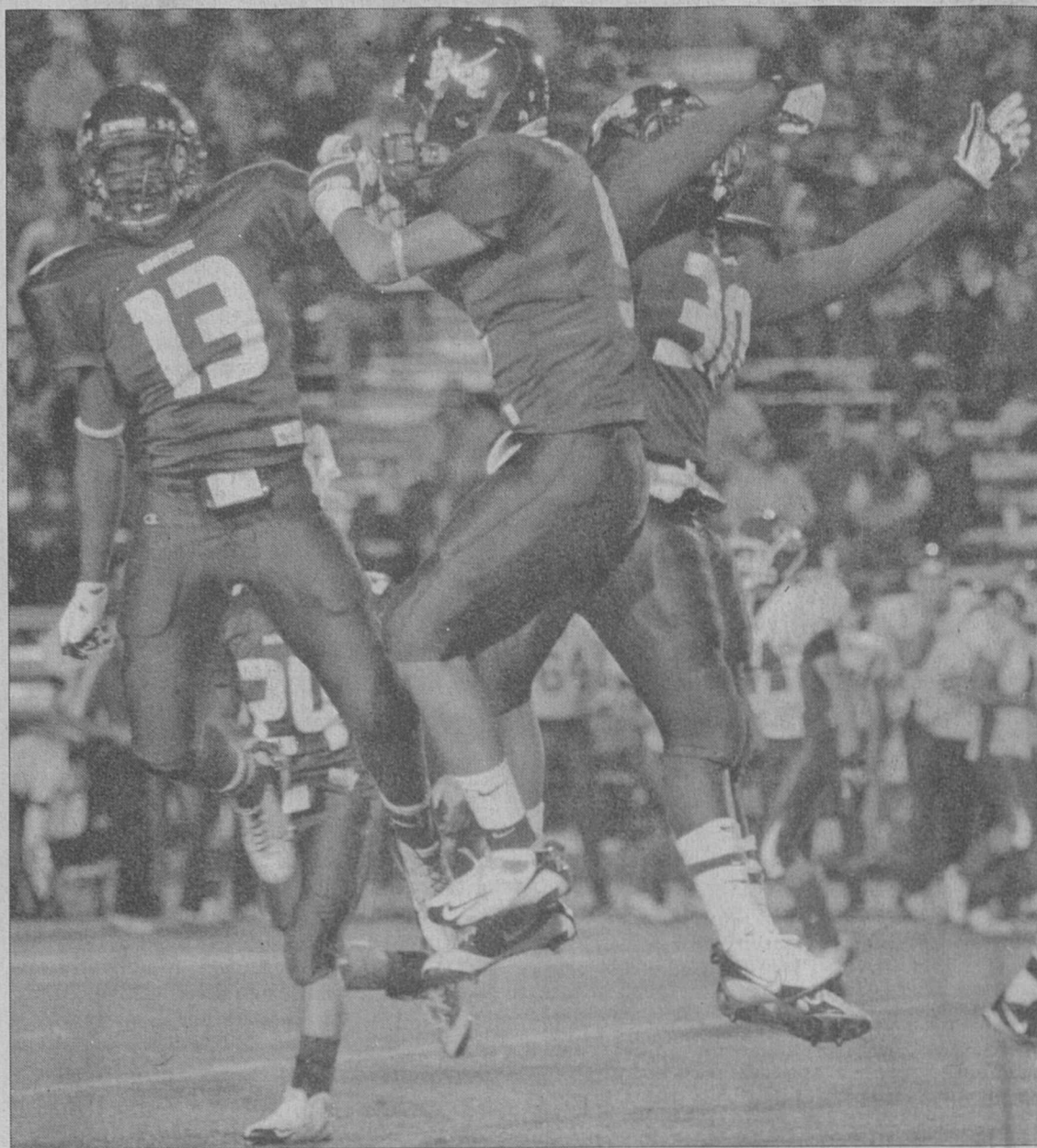
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Dewey Pettus, Mario Hull and Damien Stevens celebrate after a Raider fumble recovery during Friday's playoff victory over Salado.

Rice Defeats Salado In Windy Battle In Seguin

The Rice Raider football team dismissed Salado last Friday on a windy night in Seguin to advance to the next round of the playoffs.

Final score was 31-7 in game where wind gusts surpassed 30 miles per hour during the game.

Coach Brad Dumont said that the clock became a factor in the game. He said that they tried to drain the clock when against the wind, and use it to the team's advantage with the wind.

"They got 0 points with the wind, we got 31," said Dumont.

Despite the windy conditions, the Raiders were able to dominate with the passing game.

Myles Dumont threw for 188 yards on 11-18, including three touchdowns. He also ran one in on a quarterback sneak.

Ziggy Foster added a hard-fought 63 yards rushing and had one touchdown.

Mario Hull had a big night with 111 yards on three catches, one a 67-yard touchdown.

Marques Toliver and J.J. Regins also had touchdown catches in the game.

"We executed and we got some good matchups that we felt were beneficial to us and we were able to exploit them," said Dumont of the success in the passing game.

The Raider had two key defensive stands in the first quarter of the game.

Salado had the ball inside the ten-yard line two times with the wind at their back, but the Raider defense forced a turnover on downs both times when Salado went for it on fourth down.

"With the wind the way it was they were the deciding factors in the game," Dumont said of those defensive stands.

Rice got the ball to start the

game and was facing the wind for the opening quarter.

The Raiders managed one first down, but turned the ball over on downs after falling short on a fourth and two.

Salado took over at the their 42 and ripped off a 28-yard run on the first play.

The next play was a 14-yard

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Rice Set To Take On Navarro Saturday

The Rice Raiders are set to take on Navarro on Saturday at 1 p.m. in Victoria.

Navarro is 10-1 on the season with a 5-0 district mark in District 28.

They boast a potent running

game, rarely throwing the ball.

On the season they have rolled up 3,745 rushing yards, but only 333 passing.

They average nearly 40 points per game.

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NEWSBRIEFS

Yearbooks on Sale

Rice High School students can place their order for a 2009 yearbook this week during lunch periods on Wednesday, Thursday or Friday. A deposit of \$20 is required to reserve a book with \$25 due upon delivery next August. Or, pay in full when ordering and get a discounted price of \$40. Students who order a book in November are guaranteed to be pictured in it at least three times.

Second Chance Reorder!!

The Rice Booster Club is ordering a second round of football playoff t-shirts that will be available for this Saturday's game. Only a limited number will be ordered, so if interested, please contact Clarice Dumont at cadumont@ricecisd.org or 361-772-6909 to reserve your size. First come, first serve! Price will be \$12 for YS - AXL; \$14 for 2X and 3X. Go Raiders!

Mt. Sinai Ministries musical Nov. 22

Mt. Sinai Evangelical Ministries invites you to their annual holiday musical on Saturday Nov. 22 at 6 p.m. Groups and solos are welcomed come from El Campo, Columbus and locally will be in attendance. Also appearing will be the "Harmonica Man" Ricky Norris. The church is located at 510 Prairie Street in Eagle Lake. They encourage and invite all to attend, sing, dance, and shout as we lift the name Jesus. Sis. Faye Collins Minister of music; Rev. Thomas Kuykendall Pastor.

PJ's auditions Nov. 22

The PJ's next production will be "The Princess and the Pea" a funny and witty fairy tale about a Prince and his adventures to find a suitable bride, one that will be perfect for him and his overbearing mother, the Queen. Anyone between the ages of 5 to 15 is welcome to attend the audition. You may be interested in a leading role, be a member of the wedding congregation or be one of the dancers. If you wish to be involved then we can find a role for you in our play. Auditions are on Sunday, Nov. 30 in the afternoon between 2-4 p.m. in the Eagle Lake museum. Scripts for auditions will be provided on the day as will further information on rehearsals and performance dates. Any enquiries call Val Loveday at 234-5529.

Thanksgiving service Nov. 23

The Eagle Lake Community Thanksgiving service will be held at 6 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23 at First Baptist Church, 527 North Lake in Eagle Lake. The program is being planned by Revs. Kevin Collison of First Baptist and Janice Kerlee of Lissie United Methodist. The community is warmly invited to attend. For more information, contact, Alliance president Rev. Steve Whitfield 234-3437, Host Kevin Collison 234-2571, or any member of the ministerial alliance. An offering to support the community food pantry will be received. Attendees are also encouraged to bring canned or other non-perishables to restock the pantry.

Thanksgiving closings

The Colorado County Courthouse will be closed Nov. 27-28 in observance of Thanksgiving. The First National Bank will be closed Thursday and will be open Friday until noon. The Wallis State Bank will be closed on Thursday and will be open Friday until 5 p.m. The Winterrmann Library will be closed Thursday and Friday. The City will close Thursday and Friday for the Thanksgiving holiday. There will be no trash collection on Thursday, Nov. 27. The sanitation department will open and collect Thursdays and Fridays route on Friday. The Headlight will be closed on Thursday but will be open regular hours on Friday.

Wic office giving flu shots Dec. 1

The WIC in Columbus will be giving flu shots for adults and children on Monday, December 1 from 9 a.m.- 3:30 p.m. Closed noon-1 p.m. for lunch.

Oficina de WIC dar vacunas contra la gripe

WIC en Columbus dara vacunas contra la gripe para adultos y niños el lunes, 1 de diciembre de 9 am-3:30 pm cerrada mediodia-1 pm.

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Commissioners Reduce Monies For Road Projects

Colorado County commissioners, meeting Monday, agreed to greatly lower the estimate of the amount of funds available for county road projects from a \$5 million issue of certificates of obligation.

Commissioners had originally projected using \$1 million, split among the four commissioner precincts, for roads.

But that was reduced to \$232,500 because of greater than expected cost of courthouse repairs.

In addition to the original \$1 million for roads, \$2 million was estimated for courthouse renovation and repairs and \$2 million for a new county annex.

But the bid on the courthouse construction contract was \$2.5 million.

Adding a 25 percent contingency and architect fees of 15 percent put the final estimate at \$3.7 million, according to Auditor Raymie Kana.

She noted the commissioners could plan for a lower contingency amount, but commissioners indicated they wanted to be conservative.

That reduced the amount available for the proposed annex to \$1 million and the amount avail-

able for roads to \$232,500.

Commissioners expressed concern about the relatively small amount left for roads.

Commissioner Herbie Helcamp estimated it costs about \$58,000 to build a mile of roadway.

In other action, commissioners:

--Approved a salary range of \$45,200 to \$72,600 for a new emergency management services director.

Kana noted that paramedics currently make in the range of \$48,000 a year. She said the salary for the Washington County EMS director was \$64,500 and the Fayette County EMS Director \$57,300.

--Agreed to take no action on banning outdoor burning in the county and noted there will be another meeting next week.

--Appointed Ronnie Rogers as the county's representative on the County Appraisal District Board of Directors.

--Agreed to a retirement contribution of 7.61 percent per employee for the coming year.

--Agreed to allow the Columbus Chamber of Commerce to place a nativity scene on the courthouse square.



Pictured above is City of Eagle Lake employee Benito Rangel putting up the town Christmas decorations.

Rice Medical Center Gets New Administrator



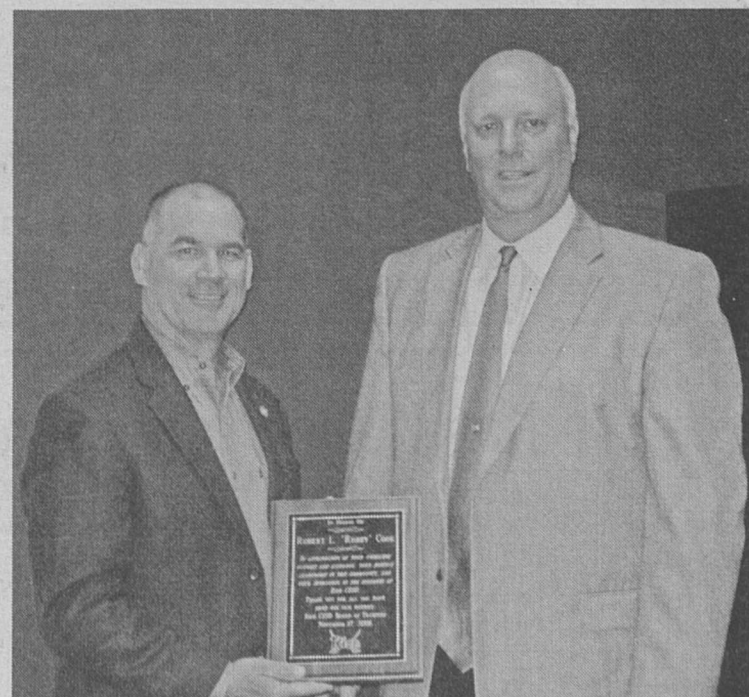
Richard Hoeth

Rice Medical Center welcomes a new administrator, Richard Hoeth to "Our Family Caring for Yours." Mr. Hoeth and his wife, Marilyn have four children and 3 grandchildren. He comes to Eagle Lake from Round Rock.

Hoeth has worked in the health care arena, mainly in administration and association management, for 37 years. Hoeth also serves as Regent at large for Texas in the Fellow American College Healthcare Executives (FACHE), adjunct professor at Texas Tech and Texas State Universities and does consulting work.

In his spare time, he enjoys family events, travel, and is a sports fan, mainly football.

"I am glad to be here and able to help the hospital and people in the community the best I can," said Hoeth.



The Rice School Board honored outgoing State Representative Robby Cook, left, during their meeting Monday, November 17 with a plaque thanking him for his years of service to the citizens of the area. He is pictured with Rice Superintendent Michael Lanier.