

The Ranger Roundup

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NJCAA Rules Against RJC

With only twenty games remaining in RJC's baseball season, sophomore Alan Marr has been declared ineligible. It was a crushing blow to Al and the team. At the time Al boasted of a .391 batting average with 12 homeruns, 57 hits, 42 runs-batted-in, and 45 base on balls. He was also playing spectacular defensive in the field.

Before Al's bad luck, the team was 38-18. Due to rules that govern the National Junior College Athletic

Association all the team's wins were forfeited because of an ineligible player. Al's ineligibility is due to insufficient credits at the school he attended last year. Though Al cannot play anymore this season, he will remain on the team as an assistant coach helping Coach Allen and Coach Flowers. With Al having the kind of year he was having it looked as though All-American honors would come his way, but his ineligibility has kept that from happening.

Last Minute Reminders

Any student planning to return to RJC next fall must fill out a room application with Dean Auvenshine in order to get a dorm and roommate preference for next year.

Students wishing to protect their \$25 room deposit should make a special effort to clean their rooms before checking out of the dormitory. Floors must be mopped and furniture should be restored to the state that it was in when the student checked into the room. When these conditions are met the student must then request

his \$25 down payment from the cashier before he can expect to receive it.

Also, before leaving Ranger, each student needs to pick up a Basic Education Opportunity Grant (BEOG) application. Students should fill out these applications as soon as possible and mail them, so that when school starts next year they will have their returned form and be ready to register. These BEOG applications may be picked up from the respective coaches or from the financial aid office in the administration building.



Give Them A Hand

With all of the excitement over football, basketball and baseball, sometimes another very important sport goes almost unnoticed. It is about time that some well-deserved credit is given to the RJC track team.

As far as the men go, the team has not only quantity, but, more importantly, quality. They have participated in five track meets so far this year, including such prestigious ones as the Texas Relays, the Border Olympics and the Texas Tech Relays. RJC should be proud of the effort put forth by these young men and the acclaim they have brought to our school.

Coach Tim Marcum's sprint relay, made up of C.J. White, Ian Seale, James Bratton and Johnny McCoy, as well as the mile relay, featuring Darrell Gee, Dennis Henry, Ian Seale and Ben Omodiale, have really been outstanding. Martin Guerrero in the shot put and discus, Emmanuel Opubar in the high hurdles, McCoy in the 100, and Omodiale in the 400 meter dash, each deserve special recognition for their performances in their respective events.

Although the men have brought the school more glory, RJC should be equally boastful of the accomplishments of Coach Charley Long's girls. Despite the fact that they are handicapped, there are only four girls on the team, these young ladies have done surprisingly well. Unfortunately, the girls have had to go up against some very stiff competition on the university level.

Darla Dundas, Karren Brown, Lita Grace and Gabby Hayes make up both the relays, sprint and medley, but each also enters into other individual contests. Darla's best are the 100, 200, and hurdles. Karren runs well in both the 400 and 800. Gabby excels in the 100 and 200. Lita rounds out the track team by taking part in the long jump.

At the beginning of the season each squad set their goals high to qualify and do well at the National Meet in Iowa. At the present time this seems well within their reach.

Drive-In Opens

Ranger Drive-In Theatre will open for the season Friday, Saturday and Sunday, April 14, 15 and 16. The show will start each evening at dusk. The Drive-In is located on highway 80 across from the Ranger Hill Cafe.

Disco Dance

Tonight

Wednesday, April 19

Featuring:

J.J. Mac & His Music Machine

9:00 - 12:00

Did You Know

...the last day to drop a class is Friday, April 28?
 ...practice for graduation will be Thursday, May 11 in the LRC Auditorium? Sophomores should see Ms. Speer early in the week to be fitted for their caps and gowns.
 ...there's only 12 days left of classes!
 ...That Mrs. Campbell was honored with a birthday party in the SUB Tuesday, April 11? Many happy returns!

Teachers Retire

Mrs. Alla Ray Morris has been teaching English here at RJC for 23 years, and at the end of this semester she plans to retire. She attended college at U.T. at Austin and also did graduate work at the University of California, North Texas State University and the University of London in England.

Throughout her teaching career she served as officer and member of numerous teaching associations. She is also an honorary member of Phi Theta Kappa. When asked if she liked teaching here at Ranger she said, "Yes I have enjoyed working with both the students and the faculty." Mrs. Morris also commented on how she likes the close

rapport between student and teacher.

Mrs. Morris has been living in Ranger since 1936 and after she resigns at the end of this year, she plans to stay in Ranger.

After 21 years of service at RJC Mr. David Allsup is also retiring. He has been teaching Biological Sciences here since 1957.

Mr. Allsup is a graduate of East Texas State university, but also attended many other universities while pursuing his masters degree.

In his 21 years of teaching he has missed only 2 days of school, a remarkable accomplishment.

Mr. Allsup plans on taking it easy while doing plenty of fishing after he retires.

PTK To Host Talent Show

Phi Theta Kappa is sponsoring a talent show Wednesday, April 26 at 8:00 p.m. in the LRC Auditorium. Tickets are \$1 for adults and 50 cents for students. Anyone interested in participating in the talent show should contact Becky Rollings. First, second, and third prizes will be given.

PTK welcomes 18 new members. They consist of Matt Turner, Barbara Nabors, Bruce Kastelic, Bruce Elsom, Jeff Brooks, Artie Kieval, Jimmy Tompkins, Karren Brown, Jammie Campbell, Doug Mayes, Kathy Nowak, Billie Sue Johnston, Rusty Leath, Tony Wampler, Donna Eddleman, Judy Green, Sam Morrow, and Pam McAskill.

Our Favorites

In a recent election 10 students were chosen by the student body to represent personalities at RJC. The races were all very close with a few categories being won by just one vote.

Representing Ranger Junior College as Mr. and Miss RJC were Patsy Reyna and Jim Tatterson. Patsy is from Comfort, while Jim is from Pt. Pleasant, West Virginia. Both are sophomores. Other top candidates for the Miss RJC title were Becky Rollings and Becky Dobson while Marshall Sauls competed closely for Mr. RJC.

Natilee Miller from Rickwall, and David Rowland of Panhandle, were voted as the two Best Looking students on campus. Close contenders for the women

were Becky Rollings and Patsy Reyna. Good looking competition in the men's division consisted of Derek King, Mark Krampitz, and Doug Mayes.

In the Best Dressed category Becky Rollings of Burlison, and Danny Hemphill from Houston, walked away with the honors.

Ranger native Bruce Elsom and Becky Dobson of Sierra Blanca were voted Most Likely to Succeed.

The Best All-around title went to Marshall Sauls of Houston and Mimi Henderson a native of Ranger. Darla Dundas, Karren Brown and Becky Dobson competed closely for this honor in the women's division. Jim Tatterson was a close contender in the men's competition.

The best thing on TV this season will be the knob that turns it off.

Final Exam Schedule

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Monday, May 8

8:00- 10:00 a.m. - 8:00 - 9:15 MW (1A)
 10:00- 12:00 noon - 9:20- 10:35 MW (2A)
 12:00- 2:00 p.m. - 12:00- 1:15 TT (4B)
 2:00- 4:00 - 1:20- 2:35 TT (5B)

Tuesday, May 9

8:00- 10:00 a.m. - 8:00- 9:15 TT (1B)
 10:00- 12:00 noon - 9:20- 10:35 TT (2B)
 12:00- 2:00 p.m. - 12:00- 1:15 MW (4B)
 2:00- 4:00 p.m. - 1:20- 2:35 MW (5A)

Wednesday May 10

8:00- 10:00 a.m. - 10:40- 11:55 MW (3A)
 10:00- 12:00 noon - 10:40- 11:55 TT (3B)
 12:00- 2:00 p.m. - 2:40- 3:55 MW (6A)

Off campus and night classes on campus will have their final exams on the last night the class meets.

Fishing News

A largemouth black bass can't read a thermometer, but when water temperatures in Texas' lakes hit the magic 60 degree mark the bass know what to do. And so do bass fisherman.

Both head for the shallows. Bass have a built-in feel for temperatures, because when the upper one to two feet of water in a reservoir climb to 60-65 degrees Fahrenheit, the bass get the spawning urge and start looking for a nesting site.

Fisheries biologists of the

Feast And Fellowship

The Baptist Student Union (BSU) has been quite active this past month. Activities included a trip to Eastland's First Baptist Church. There, the BSU members enjoyed a music rally and a supper that followed the musical entertainment. A series of job opportunities was discussed by Mr. Wayne Matthews, a druggist here at Ranger. He told about the jobs available in his particular field and

Texas Parks and Wildlife Department say that of all times of the year to fish for bass, the most productive has to be the springtime, when the fish are more easily located and often strike more readily.

Reports from around the state indicate that bass fishing is getting into full swing, and the lack of rain in most areas should assure that high waters and resulting murky conditions won't hinder spawning.

answered questions of the BSU members.

April 10, a hot dog supper was given at the BSU. Many enjoyed the good food and the Bible study that followed.

The BSU will be open at 7:00 p.m. on Monday and Tuesday evenings for the remainder of the semester. All students are encouraged to attend and enjoy Bible study and Christian fellowship.

Football Tryouts

Every year some 60-90 high school seniors come from all over the state to try out for RJC's football team. The tryouts this year will be Friday, May 5. There will be two sessions; the first from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and the second from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. Many good players are selected for the coming year's football team at this time.

"7" Wins Intramurals

Intramural basketball came to a close with the championship being won by the "Magnificent 7". Led by 6'7" Tony Lyons and 6'2" Malcom Rogers, each scoring twenty points, and guard Walter Turner the "Magnificent 7" proved to be too much for the "Hot Shot's". They won the game with a score of 66-54. Third place went to the "Whiz Kids".

The following players deserve congratulations as

members of the "Magnificent 7": Malcom Rogers, Melvin Morrison, Dave England, Bruce Ford, Oscar Pratt, Tony Lyons, and Walter Turner.

Coach Tuttle would like to thank all the basketball players that helped to make intramural basketball work. The students, likewise, thank Coach Tuttle for the time and effort he spent in providing RJC with an extra-curricular activity.

Baseball Schedule

Apr. 20	*Hill Jr. College	Hillsboro	1:00
22	*McLennan College	Ranger	1:00
25	*McLennan College	Ranger	4:00
27	Texas Christian U. "JV"	Ranger	5:30
30	*Hill Jr. College	Ranger	1:00
		Waco	1:00
May 2	*McLennan College		
19-21	NJCAA Dist. VI Playoff	TBA	
27-June 2	NJCAA National Tournament	Grand Junction, Colo.	



Facts from a pro on driving to survive.

Q. What's the simplest way to get better control over my car and improve driving? — C.C., Midland

A. Buckle your seat belt. I'm serious. It's hard to control a car in an emergency if you are flailing around trying to stay behind the wheel. Any modern car will stop or turn hard enough to throw you around if you aren't strapped down. Driving without a seat belt means you can't use all of the stopping power or evasive ability built into your car. Having a lapful of front seat passenger won't improve your chances, either. This may be the best reason in the world to get front seat passengers to buckle up.

Q. My brother-in-law just bought some oversized tires for his car. He claims they'll give it better stability and handling. Is this true? — D.S., Port Arthur

A. Not necessarily. Increasing the area of the tire that contacts the road will usually give you better traction on dry roads, but might reduce traction on wet roads. Why? Because making the contact patch larger reduces the weight per square inch on the road and can cause hydroplaning at lower speeds. This happens when water builds up in front of a tire until the tire is actually riding on top of it, like a water ski. Under the tread design allows better water drainage, wider tires may force you to slow to a crawl in wet weather.

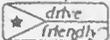
Q. I've just moved to Texas. What does the law say about turning headlights on in the evening and having them on after daybreak? — E.W., Garland

A. Texas law says to turn them on no later than half an hour after sunset and turn them off no earlier than half an hour before sunrise. The law also says to turn on your lights any time vehicles or persons are not clearly visible at a distance of 1,000 feet.

Lights not only help you see, they help other drivers see you. Motorcycle riders often ride with their lights on during clear daylight just to improve their visibility to other traffic. You'll see trucks running with their lights on anytime near sunset, particularly if the sun is behind them. If you have trouble seeing other vehicles that are running without lights, your car is probably pretty hard to see, too. When other vehicles are easily visible, with lights on or not, it's probably safe to turn yours off.

If you have a question on driving, send it to:

Texas Office of Traffic Safety
 P.O. Box 1165
 Austin, Texas 78767



Movie Star Attends RJC

Tran Minh Ngyren, better known at RJC as "Karate Joe", has attended RJC for the past 2 years.

Joe, a Martial Arts expert, holds a fourth degree black belt in karate after spending 3 years under the instruction of the famous Bruce Lee. Also, Joe is a first degree black belt in judo and acundo along with a third degree black belt in tucundo. He

appeared in three Bruce Lee movies after finishing drama school.

Joe, a 23 year old from Vietnam came to the United States after serving as a pilot in the Vietnamese war. He plans on attending Texas Tech University in Lubbock next semester where he will be seeking a degree in medicine.



Marshall Sauls Signs With Cougars

Marshall Sauls was signed to a national letter of intent by University of Houston head basketball Coach Guy V. Lewis on Wednesday, April 12.

Marshall who is known by teammates and opponents as the "Incredible Hulk" averaged 19.2 points per game for 2 years for the Rangers. He was chosen All-Conference twice and All-Regional his sophomore season.

Marshall graduated from Houston's Jeff Davis High School and looks forward to returning to Houston to complete his college career.

Coach Lewis is encourage with Marshall's signing for the defending Southwest Conference tournament champions.

Some cause happiness wherever they go; others wherever they go.

Misfortune Plagues

Baseball Team

The RJC baseball team has compiled a season record of 46-19. In conference the Rangers are 4-6 with 14 conference games left. Due to an ineligible player RJC had to forfeit 53 games. Only one was a conference game so after the games were forfeited the Rangers' record fell to 12-53.

The team still has a good shot at winning the conference after whipping Hill Junior College in two double headers. The toughest competition will be McLennan

Community College. MCC's record is 6-3 in conference and they will face the Ranger 4 straight times in the next 2 weeks.

The winner of the conference will advance to the National Junior College Athletic Association's (NJCAA district VI playoffs on May 19 through the 21st. Then the winner of the district playoffs will advance to the National Tournament at Grand Junction, Colorado on June 2.

Woman Of The Year

Mrs. Jack Elsom, head of the RJC Senior Citizens Center, was recently named Woman of the Year by a local sorority. Each year the Beta Sigma Phi presents a deserving woman with this honor at the Chamber of Commerce banquet.

Mrs. Elsom is the wife of the president of RJC, Dr. Jack Elsom.



Pete Rabassa in action.

Record Breaker

As a freshman last year at RJC Pedro Rabassa had the distinction of breaking two National Junior College records. They were: most home runs in a season-26 and most runs batted in (RBI's)-103.

He also holds some illustrious records at Ranger, such as: most hits, most walks, and most homeruns in a career. He also voted All-Conference and more

important All-American.

With about 20 games remaining it looks like a repeat performance for Pedro. He is currently hitting .460 with 14 homeruns and batting his way to another All-American season.

At the conclusion of this year Pete hopes to sign a professional contract. When Pete's career is finally over he intends to go into coaching.

Top 20

KRLY, an FM stereo station in Houston, Texas, held a public poll to find the 20 most popular albums of all-time. Over eleven million people nation-wide casted votes on a 1-5 point system, 5 being the best. KRLY tallied up the votes and came up with the following favorites of the people.

1. Rumours-Fleetwood Mac
2. Led Zeppelin IV-Led Zeppelin
3. Dark Side of the Moon-Pink Floyd
4. Boston-Boston
5. Frampton Comes Alive-Peter Frampton
6. Who's Next-The Who
7. Led Zeppelin II-Led Zeppelin
8. Beate's White Album-Beatles
9. Fleetwood Mac-Fleetwood Mac
10. Derrick and the Dominoes-Eric Clapton
11. Wishing You Were Here-Pink Floyd
12. Sergeant Pepper-The Beatles
13. Hotel California-The Eagles
14. Book of Dreams-Steve Miller
15. Close to the Edge-Yes
16. Abbey Road-The Beatles
17. Aposrophe-Frank Zappa
18. CSN-Crosby, Stills, Nash
19. Aqualung-Jethro Tull
20. I Robot-Alan Parsons Project

How many of these do you have?

Before you flare up at anyone's faults, take time to count ten of your own.

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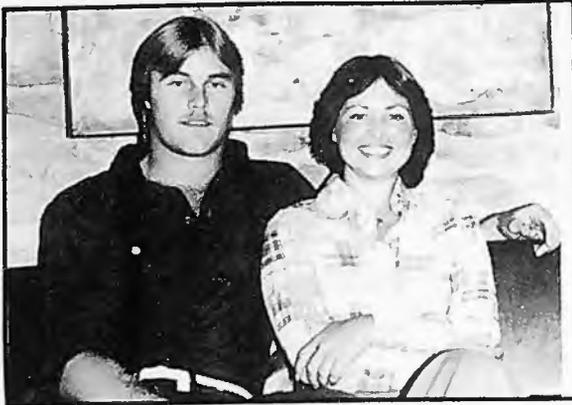
RJC



FAVORITES

Mr. or Miss RJC

Jim Tatterson & Patsy Reyna.



Best Looking

David Rowland & Natilee Miller.



Best Dressed

Danny Hemphill & Becky Rollings.



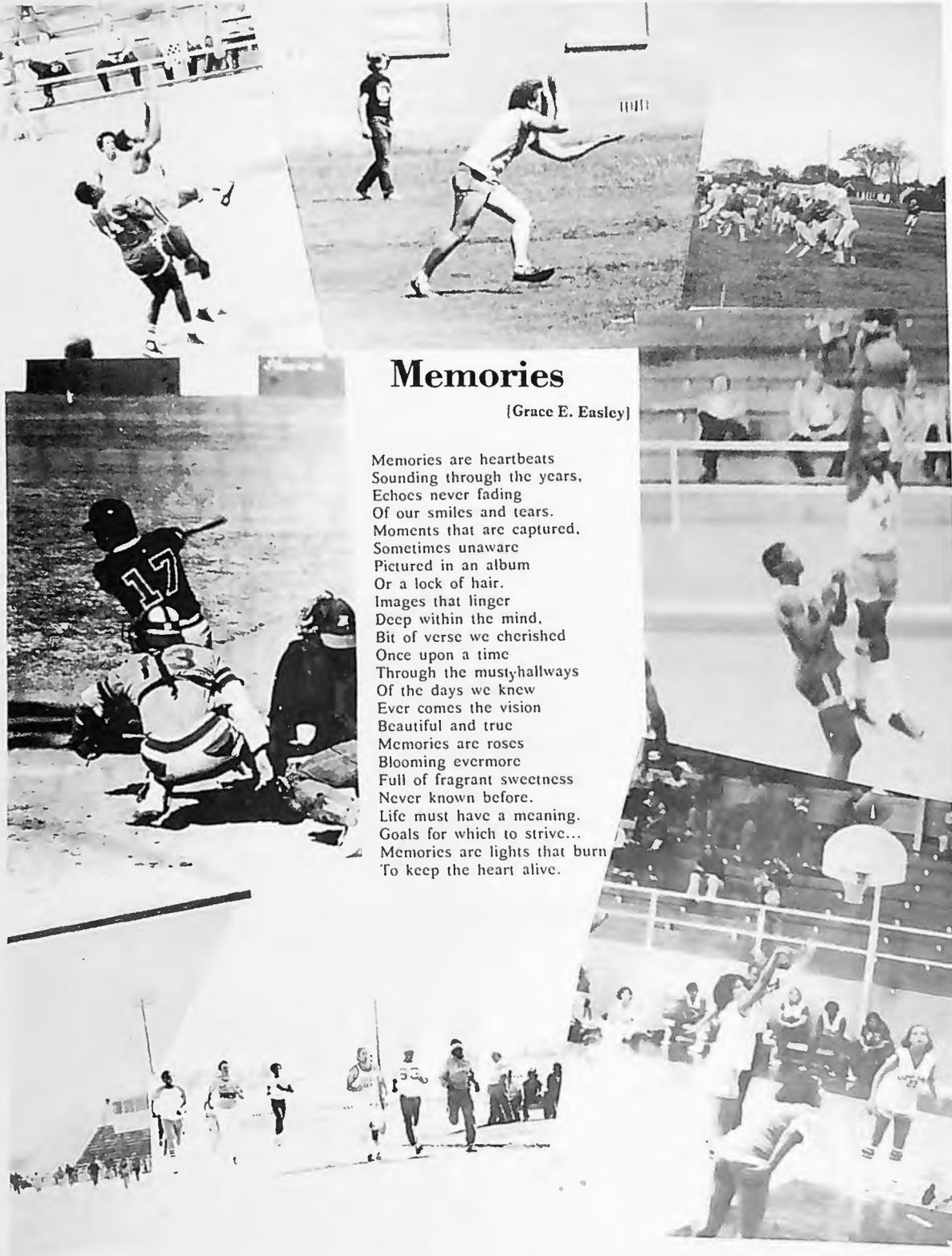
Most Likely To Succeed

Becky Dobson & Bruce Elsom.



Best All Around

Mimi Henderson & Marshall Saults.



Memories

(Grace E. Easley)

Memories are heartbeats
Sounding through the years,
Echoes never fading
Of our smiles and tears.
Moments that are captured,
Sometimes unaware
Pictured in an album
Or a lock of hair.
Images that linger
Deep within the mind,
Bit of verse we cherished
Once upon a time
Through the musty-hallways
Of the days we knew
Ever comes the vision
Beautiful and true
Memories are roses
Blooming evermore
Full of fragrant sweetness
Never known before.
Life must have a meaning.
Goals for which to strive...
Memories are lights that burn
To keep the heart alive.