

The Ranger Roundup

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February is a strange time of year,
We're over the holiday cheer
And although it's still freezing and you're close to the fire
You are remembering that New Year's Day beer.

In New York they say "It's too cold,"
In California it's not cold enough.
But the cold's not restricted and the snow's not depicted
But in Texas it's still upredicted.

This February is cold as the clay
Your girlfriend can't wait until May.
Though your sweetheart's a "lard," You still buy her a card
Because for lovers comes Valentines Day.

As you know it's a very short month
So for sure you have no time to laze,
And if you're in a hurry and better get started
kBecause there's only twenty-eight days.

February is a fun time though
As the couples play in the snow,
And when it's all over you'll hear everyone sing
"I'm glad, 'cause I'm ready for SPRING!"

Ranger Football Ranked Third

Ranger Junior College football team, for the second year in a row, has been ranked third, in the nation. Many players have gone to four-year schools.

Ronnie Greer and Kyle Enloe are transferring to Cameron University. Offensive tackle Bobby Stogsdill has been promoted to Sam Houston State University. Benny Medlin joins Buddy Fuller at Panhandle State. A Host of superior linemen will team together at New Mexico; Albert Black, Dave Richardson and Denwood Freeman. Kicking specialist Joe Calderon and running back Frank Williams signed with San Angelo State University. Rice picked up three players; David England, Freddy Page, and William Knowles. David Jasper, Jeff Blitch, Jim Jordan and Reny Laughlin have unanimously chosen Tarleton State University.

Honors were given to several players after a successful year. Delbert Thompson and William Knowles were named second Team All-American, and Buddy Fuller made Honorable Mention with an impressive year. Quarterback David Worsham, with 1190 total yards, was ranked tenth in the nation. The defense, "Purple Haze", was nationally ranked first, for giving up the least amount of total seasonal yards. The offense held its own for the year, being ranked first also.

Overall the Rangers had an impressive 9-1 season with a win at the Beef Bowl Classic in Garden City, Kansas. Quarterback David Worsham was named Most Valuable Offensive Back; Keith Hall was Outstanding Lineman; and Kyle Enloe was Outstanding Linebacker.

Backgammon Anyone?

On Wednesday, January 24, a Backgammon tournament was held at the RJC library. There were many participants, with Mr. Forshree making sure everything was run fairly and smoothly. There were two classes; the novice for the beginners and the advanced for the pros.

After hours of sweat and strategy, the top players of the evening emerged. The novice class finals pitted Debra Seal against GiGi Griffin. After almost a half-hour of matching wits, Miss Seal came out the winner.

While the two ladies battled, another match was in the process as Gary Bennett clashed with Pete Rabassa. This level of competition was more advanced and just as exciting. Bennett finally was able to put Rabassa away after an hour long duel.

Each winner received a nice plaque, the satisfaction of knowing each had accomplished a real feat, and the honor of being able to proclaim himself "Backgammon Champion of Ranger Junior College".

LOVE

I do not have any riches
That Kings and Queens possess.
I do not even own much money
Of that I must confess.

But the thing that I do own
All the money in the world can't buy
And it stays with you forever,
Up until the day that you die.

It's shinier than a diamond,
And prettier than a rose
And just how much it's really worth,
Well that special person only knows.

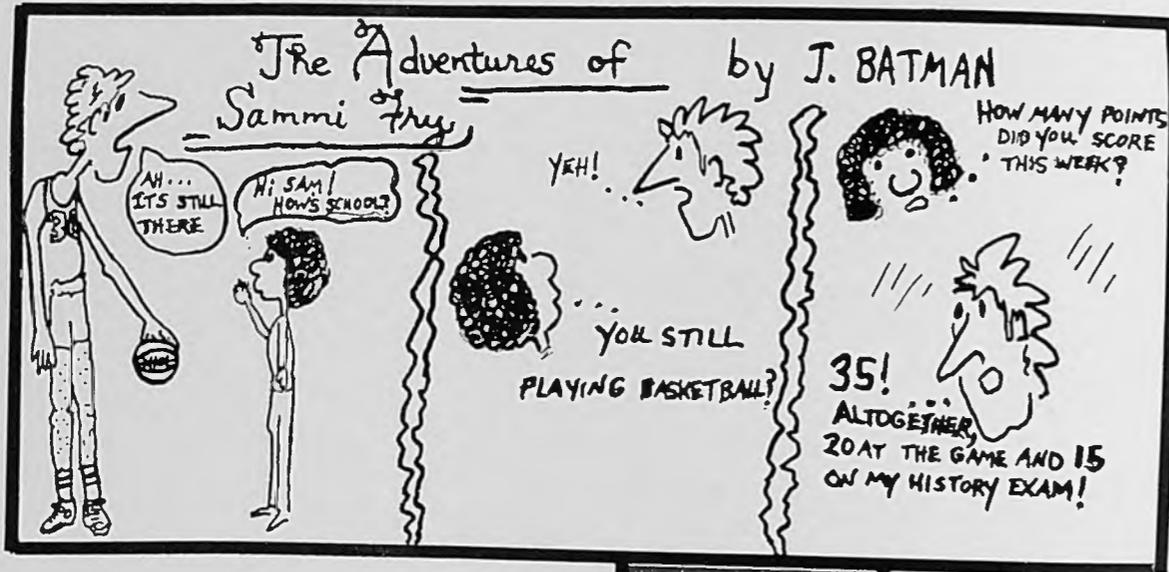
It's more expensive than a foreign car,
And doesn't need any gas,
And the one thing that you can be certain of
Is that it will always last.

It's questions have gone unanswered
For many, many years
It has helped take away mans' anger,
And ease away his fears.

It's worth has yet to be equalled,
It's value has been left uncomparad
And to try and find it's meaning,
Why even the wisest men have yet to dare.

And if you try to find the meaning
Mentioned in this rhyme,
Don't expect to find an answer in a day or two,
For it will take much time.

For it has the innocence of a new born baby
And the freedom of a dove,
And that special thing that everyone owns
In a special thing called LOVE.



Wayne Benson receives award for when he helped RJC to a national championship in 1973.

Oshman's In, Neiman-Marcus Out

Are you frustrated about the new spring fashions at RJC? Well, there is no reason to feel that way, because the emphasis is on being comfortable.

Your favorite warm-ups will be the most appropriate luncheon outfit. There is no need to show off the new Pumas that you got for Christmas. Your old high-top Converse will do just fine for the day scene. But for those exciting nights in Ranger you can splurge and wear the Pumas.

For the days, it's a little too chilly for warm-ups alone, the letter jacket is an essential accessory to everyone's wardrobe.

For you fast-moving swingers, don't worry, spikes are coming in style again. You who are ready will move out ahead of the crowd and cross that fashion line a winner.



Brooksie

Bill Brooks, better known to the students of R.J.C. as "Brooksie," is in his sophomore year at R.J.C. Bill is the head trainer for the football and baseball teams. Bill comes to R.J.C. from Garland High School where he began training his sophomore year. When asked why he chose R.J.C., he replied, "I needed experience as a trainer and received it here by learning things on my own."

Bill's major is Physical Education, and he minors in health. Brooks plans on being a health teacher and full-time trainer for a big high school. He needs three more years of school to receive his license to practice.

Bill is undecided as to what college he will attend after R.J.C. His hobbies include traveling, swimming, and parties, and his greatest moment as a trainer came last year when R.J.C. won the National Baseball Championship. Lots of luck in the future Bill!

Coming Events

February 28 * Movie
March 7 Bingo

"Come Back Charleston Blue"

UT Too Much For RJC

Ranger Junior College scrimmaged the University of Texas baseball team February 11 at U.T.'s Disch-Falk Field. It marked the first time the Texas team has ever played against a junior college in its history.

The scrimmage lasted twenty-two innings. Coach Allen got to see many new pitchers. The Rangers stayed close during the game, but couldn't manage to pull ahead of the tough Texas team. The game, however, proved the strength of the Rangers' baseball program and marked an era for all Texas Junior Colleges.

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Benson's Back

In 1973 the Ranger Junior College baseball team won the National Championship. There to help was Wayne Benson, the right fielder on the team. He was a first-round draft choice of the Chicago Cubs and the New York Yankees.

After playing six years with the Yankees, Benson is back at Ranger to help the 1979 Rangers repeat the 1978 National Championship. His experience and knowledge of baseball is a great asset to this year's team, but Benson is not just here as a coach.

Benson is also a full-time student who wants to get his degrees so he can become a coach. While he is getting an education, Wayne will be playing football for Ranger next fall.

Nurses

The R.J.C. nursing program has been pretty busy this year. They have had several money making projects such as a bake sale, craft sale and taking blood pressure at the Eastland carnival. This money will be used for their field trip to a hospital in San Antonio.

Right now the girls have been working 40 hours a week in the hospital. They have also been spending time at the high school discussing nursing. Mrs. Morgan who is in charge of the R.J.C. nursing program is very proud of the girls hard work and devotion to the community as well as to the school.

DID YOU KNOW

DID YOU KNOW that the total enrollment at RJC for the spring semester is 622!

DID YOU KNOW that the RJC football team was rated 3rd in the nation for the second straight year?

DID YOU KNOW that the RJC baseball and track teams have already opened their seasons?

DID YOU KNOW that Coach Pete Rabassa was on Saturday Nite Live?

DID YOU KNOW that RJC is planning on having a women's volleyball team next semester?

DID YOU KNOW that Coach Wayne Benson played on a National Championship Baseball Team (1973) at Ranger?

DID YOU KNOW that RJC had three players drafted by a pro baseball team—Benny Smith, Terry Austin, and Nathan Frierson?

Draftees To Supply Punch

Ranger Junior College is fortunate to have three of this year's annual winter baseball draftees. Nathan Frierson and Bennie Smith were picked in the eighth and sixth rounds, respectively, by the Philadelphia Phillies. The Chicago Cubs picked Terry Austin in the fourth round.

Nathan Frierson, a freshman pitcher from Haskell. Texas comes to R.J.C. to fill a spot in the starting rotation. When asked why he decided on Ranger he replied, "They are the National Champs, and I like the reputation they have."

Bennie Smith comes to R.J.C. from Junction, Texas.

Bennie adds another strong arm to the pitching staff. His response on being drafted was, "I was shocked but felt very good." Bennie also heard of R.J.C.'s reputation and wanted to be a part of it in 1979.

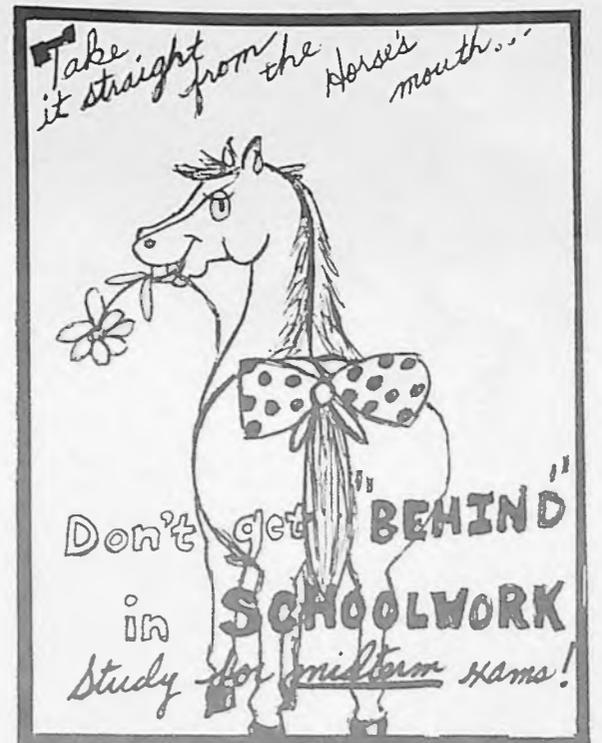
Fleet-footed outfielder Terry Austin comes to R.J.C. from Abilene, Texas. Terry possesses all the tools needed for playing outfield. He has speed, size, and a good arm. His main purpose for coming here was simply to "play ball and get drafted." Terry is anxious to get started playing as is the rest of the team. We wish them "lots of luck" in defending the national title.

Rodeo Rides Into Action

ATTENTION RODEO CLUB ENTHUSIASTS: Meetings will be held at 3:00 on Mondays in the Ag Building. Rodeo activity is sure to pick up this semester with a very full schedule.

The tentative schedule for the rodeos is not yet complete but so far consists of:

New Mexico State University March 30-April 2
New Mexico Junior College April 5-7
Howard College April 12-15
Hardin-Simmons University April 19-21
Tartleton State University May 4-7



Eight Ball

Ranger Junior College held its annual intramural pool tournament, and it was a great success. There were both male and female competition. With over seventy-five participants in all.

In the girls bracket, there was some tough competition. All the girls were trying to get to the championship round but, only two would make it. Paula Skipworth and Susan Everett. This turned out to be an excellent match. Both girls are skilled pool players, but on this night Paula came out the winner.

In the men's bracket there was fierce competition all night. In the early going there were some exciting games with everyone wondering who would get to the finals. The suspense climaxed with Bruce Reeves taking on Joe Torres. Both players are excellent and the match was exciting. In the beginning it looked like Bruce had the game, but Joe came from behind to overtake him.

Ranger Junior College would like to congratulate Paula Skipworth and Joe Torres on their fine performances.

Sharks

February 6 was the beginning of an exciting change in the intramural program. Coach Valdez, the intramural sponsor, organized a pool tournament with doubles being one of the divisions.

After many exciting games two winning teams moved out in front of the rest. In the girls division Susan Everett and Debbie Olivares were the winning pair; Marc Seguin and Rick Shipley topped the boys division.

Everett and Olivares had a big win over Seal and Cochran in the finals. After the tournament Everett was asked about her wins, and she replied, "Fun and skills, that's all it was." Olivares said, "Whatever is worth doing at all is worth doing well." Winning the tournament proves her philosophy.

Seguin and Shipley triumphed over Jones and Carter. They believed their wins were partly luck. Marc said, "It was Lady Luck all the way. We are looking forward to our next pool tournament so we can win another spittoon." Later Shipley answered, "Willie Nelson came through in the clutch."

The tournament was a big success. Thank you Coach Valdez and RJC.

Catch Baseball Fever

The Ranger Junior College Baseball Team is eager to defend the National Junior College Championship which it won last year. Returning from that championship team are nine players, headed by the National Tournament's M.V.P., first baseman Jim Mick.

Also returning to help defend the title are second baseman Alan Marr, who midway through the season was declared ineligible, and Pancho Farias, who took over where Marr left off and received the JUCO Tournament's Defensive Player Award. Returning parttime starters include: leftfielder Danny Hemphill, who contributed with timely hits; center fielder Jimmy Dur-

ham, who had 23 stolen bases, and Andy Lujan, who backed up Mick at first base.

Returning pitchers are Jay Huffman and Jim Tompkins, who posted key victories during Ranger's drive to the championship, and Mike DiBenedetto who along with Marr was declared ineligible during the season and had to take a spectator's roll during the championship games.

Additional support will be given by the many freshman hopefuls who will be getting their first shot at college baseball. High goals are being set by this team, and prospects of these goals being reach are good. Bring another championship to RJC!

Cindergals Soon To Be Running Your Way

The girl's track season will soon be upon us. A dual practice meet was run in Stephenville against Tarleton on February 15 and also a practice meet in Abilene is in the works.

The girls who make up the team this year are freshmen: Peggy Clark, Evette Coffman, Tonue Hathaway, Lorena Hernandez, Bonnie Mann, Sabra Murray, Cheryl O Brian, and Angela Pierce. Returning sophomores include Lolita Chapman and Freddie Hill, and also members of the 1978 3rd place national 880-medley relay team: Darla Dundas, Lita Grace, and Gabby Hayes.

So far the meets that the girls are entered into include: Texas Relays at

Austin, Texas Tech Relays at Lubbock, Texas A&M Relays at College Station, Tarleton Relays at Stephenville, Recreation Meet at Ft. Worth, T.W.U. Relays at Denton, Conference Meet in Ranger, State Meet in Austin, and the Nationals which will be held in Eugene, Oregon.

Kay Kincaid will be in her first year as the girl's track coach, and she has some comments on her hopes and expectations of the girls: "It's really much too early for me to be making predictions as to what kind of team we will have. I just hope we will be able to pose as a threat in the majority of the meets we will be participating in."



Dear Coach:

The noise in my dorm is unbearable. I'm forced to keep late hours and wake early in the morning. Studying is almost impossible. My grades are going downhill, along with my workouts. I've asked my neighbors to hold it down, but they persist. I don't want to be a "narc" and have everyone hate me. Please help.

Sincerely,
Mr. Insomnia

Dear Mr. Insomnia:

I understand your problem completely. I suggest you fight fire with fire. All's fair in Neighbors and noise. Have a thousand dollar sound system installed in your room. Then blow them out of the dorm. If you can't afford the thousand dollar system, then buy some 89 cents ear plugs. If you can't beat 'em, join 'em.

Dear Coach:

My roommate is a SLOB! I'm embarrassed to have friends in the room because it is in such a mess. I've had him pile his clothes up so that I can get to my side of the room, but with the clothes piled high, I can't find my side of the room. My roommate and I are best friends, and I don't want to hurt his feelings by moving out. Besides no-one will trade roommates with me. What do I do?

Sincerely yours,
Pig Pen's Friend

Dear Friend:

The answer to your problem is obvious. Rent a bulldozer to clear out the room, and give your roommate the bill. Or you could hire a live-in maid, but I don't think your dorm director would care for that, unless you could hire Cheryl Ladd. If all this fails, you are going to have to forget your roommate's feelings and tell him to shape up or ship out.

MCC Clips RJC

McClennon Community College traveled to Ranger Wednesday, February 7, to capture the win. The final score was 75-67.

The first half was a tough one as Ranger stayed within nine points of the Highlanders, 47-38. Led by Ken Green with 12 points and Bruce Reeves with 8 rebounds, the team hit 51 percent from the field.

M.C.C. came out the second half with Terry Suber, who was high-point with 19, helping to maintain the lead. When the second half had ended, Ranger had only hit 29 percent from the field. Green finished with 14 points, Reeves had 11. Don Gibson and Cisco Smith both came off the bench to score 9 and 8 points, respectively. In the rebounding department Green finished with 15 and the team had 37.

Cisco Loses Again

Ranger turned the score-board over by beating Cisco 100-71. Ron Butler made an easy lay-up for the century shot. This was the first time the Rangers have scored 100 points all year.

The team hit 52 percent from the field and had 44 rebounds. Ken Green was all over the court, scoring 25 points and grabbing 17 rebounds. Bruce Reeves had 19, while Bret Johnston, Scott Starks, and Mark Frazier each scored 10 points.

RJC Over SWCC

Ken Green scored 32 points and grabbed 24 rebounds to help Ranger beat South West Christian 86-67. Bruce Reeves had 16 points and 12 rebounds, while Cisco Smith added 17 points.



Susan Everett shoots for two points as Elizabeth May (15) fights for rebounding position against MCC.

Attention: Poets

The American Collegiate Poets Anthology is sponsoring a National College Poetry Contest. It is open to all college and university students desiring to have their poetry put into a collection.

Cash prizes will go to the

top five poems. The first place winner will receive \$100; second, \$50; third, \$25; and fourth and fifth, \$10 each. For further information about rules and where to mail, contact Ms. Parmele.

Track Is Fast Out Of The Blocks

Well track fans, it's just about that time of year again! The Ranger Junior College cindermen are preparing for the 1979 track season. The Ranger track team finished 3rd in the nation last year and expect to finish even higher this year.

A quick glance at last year's results shows why everyone is excited about the potential of this team. The mile relay placed third at nationals; Johnny McCoy finished fourth with a 9.4 100-yard dash; Wilford Holt was part of the 3rd place mile relay team and Darrel Gee finished 8th in the nation in the intermediate hurdles.

Also returning to the team along with these will be: Albert Merland (4:17, mile); Rudolph Briscoe (47.7, 400 meters); Mitchum Burris (10.3, 100 meters); Gideon Cheriuyot (52'0, triple jump); Byron Holmes (9.7, 100-yd dash); Jeffrey Fisher (9.5, 100-yd dash); David Forcey (25'8", long jump); Usiahim Hussein (9:10, steeple-chase); Paul Jones (48.1, 440-yd. dash); Derick King (14.3, 120-yd high hurdles).

Phil Mitchel (15'0" ft. pole vault); Larry Morgan (57'9", shotput); Bennie Penneye (9.4, 100-yd dash); Jay Rogers (165, discus throw); Greg Taylor (53.6, intermediate hurdles); David Tedder (22'10", long jump); and Bobby Woods (9.4, 100 yd. dash). The captains this year are Darrell Gee, Wilford Holt, Derick King, and Rudy Chilton.

When asked how the team is looking, Coach Marcum replied, "We should finish high in the nation's top rankings if injuries do not plague the team." With an attitude like this, it is going to be hard to keep RJC's runners down.

Track Schedule

March 2,3	Border Olympics	Laredo
10	Southside Rec. Relays	Fort Worth
15	Howard Payne Relays	Brownwood
31	Texas Tech Relays	Lubbock
April 6,7	Texas Relays	Austin
14	South Plains Inv.	Levelland
19,20,21	Kansas Relays	Lawrence, Kansas
26	Conference	Ranger
May 3	State	Austin
10	Regional V NJCAA	San Angelo
17,18,19	Nationals	Eugene, Oregon

GIVE BLOOD

Attention all healthy, conscientious citizens! There will be a blood-drive March 14 in the LVN classroom, of the Business Building at Ranger Junior College. It will be on a volunteer donor base only.

Those who qualify as a blood-donor, must be 17 through 65 years of age, weight at least 110 pounds, and have waited 8 weeks since their last blood donation.

There are exceptions to who may donate. They are people who now have: epilepsy, acute heart disease, tuberculosis, infectious skin disease, current infection or rheumatoid arthritis. Others who

may not donate, are those who have had: major surgery in the past 6 weeks, been pregnant within last 6 weeks, had malaria or been on military duty in Southeast Asia within the past 3 years. Persons who have ever had viral hepatitis, or cancer also may not donate.

Why is the blood-drive important? According to the West Texas Blood Service, "Safe blood of all types must be available around-the-clock to assure the good health of our community." Everyone is urged to give. Who knows, YOU may be the person in need someday, and it is nice to know you have "insurance."