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By Nanalee Nichols

All right, enough is enough. The world is picking on me. And I am NOT abnormal! (Well, not very).

You see, it started with a Christmas Parade. No, that's not true...it started back in June when I bought my husband a new camera for his birthday.

Every time I handle this state-of-the-art camera the battery light begins to flash, and it refuses to function.

It never does it with him...and therefore, when we've taken it back they just look at me funny and shrug, unable to find a thing wrong with it.

Well, last Friday I bought another one of these cameras, almost exactly like his. This was to me mine, since my old one is not reliable anymore.

Monday, for the first time, I went to take parade pictures. In the cold wind, I tore up and down the long, long line of floats and cars until the judging was done.

As the first award was presented I raised the camera and...yes, you guessed it...the camera refused to function...the battery light was flashing! Nothing made it work.

I trotted down the line of the parade (being to fat to run) and jumped into the car, zooming downtown to grab the spare camera.

Finally, there were only two pictures left to take...and the roll of film in that camera ended! Secure in the knowledge that I had a spare roll I felt in my pocket. There was no spare roll of film...somewhere along the line I must have dropped it.

In total disarray I headed back to the office for a roll of film. Then, just as the parade rounded the corner, photographed the last two pictures "on the fly". Taking a deep breath I looked up to be confronted with a wreck occurring right in front of my eyes on the highway!

After getting that picture I headed out to return my new camera, breathing fire and steam! I was so stressed out I was nearly shaking.

The camera worked for them. As they looked over the camera I reached out and tapped the tv screen on the counter next to me and commented on it. As my finger touched the screen the lights in the shop dimmed.

The owner and his clerk looked up at me and froze.

Then they announced that I seem to be draining the batteries on cameras.

I sneered "oh, yeah, and I'm a vampire, too". They continued to look at me strangely.

A new battery in the camera fixed it...for now, I'm almost afraid to touch it.

It seems that I really may have too much of a "charge" for the sensitive new generation of electronic cameras!

I knew I stayed "wired up" on nervous energy a lot...but this is ridiculous!

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CHAMPION CALF ROPER, Bob Canfield, is displaying the

buckles he won this year for his efforts in rodeo competition.

(Staff Photo by Donna Rozell)

People 'N Things

Calf Roper Bob Canfield Is Still A Tough Competitor

Commodities will be distributed Thursday, December 17 from the Fellowship Hall at the Methodist Church in Bogata.

Bogata Lions Club will meet the first and third Thursdays of each month at 7 p.m.

Bogata Lions Club is sponsoring a Santa's Workshop through December 15. They need new and used toys.

The Talco-Bogata CISD Board of Trustees will meet Thursday, December 10, at 7:00 p.m.

A reminder, next week is the big Christmas Edition of the newspaper. Come by and select your Christmas greetings ad or call us and we'll come see you!

Vance Pirtle Recives Coaching Honors

The District 15-AAA Volleyball meeting was held at Catfish Village in Ore City on Wednesday, November 11. All-district teams and Most Valuable Players were selected to represent the district.

Several Daingerfield players recieved district honors. Vance Pirtle was selected Coach of the Year by his district coaching peers, district record of 8-0 and season record of 19-5.

This is the second honor Vance has received since being employed by Daingerfield ISD in the fall of 1990. The Longview News Journal previously selected Vance as the "All East Texas Track Coach of the Year in the spring of 1991, Class A-5A."

Talco-Bogata CISD Tax Office Holiday Dates

The Talco-Bogata CISD Tax Office will close December 18th, 1992, at 3:00 p.m. The office will be closed Dec. 21-29, 1992 and January 1, 1993. The office will be open December 30 and 31, 1992 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

The office will resume regular days, Monday- Friday and regular hours, 8:00 a.m. - 4:00, on January 4, 1993.

RIVERCREST STUDENTS OF THE MONTH for November are Keitha Gillis and Kyle Kennedy. Keitha is a junior and is the daughter of Jerry Smith. She is a cheerleader, a member of Beta Club and the National Honor Society. Kyle is the son of Kay and Robert Kennedy. He is a sophomore; is president of the sophomore class, a member of the student council, plays football and basketball and is a member of the Spanish, Speech and Debate clubs. (Photo By Donna Rozell)

It is unusual for an athlete to be competitive for over 50 years but that is the case of Bob Canfield. At sixteen he entered his first rodeo and won money; that infused rodeo into his blood and he has been ropin' ever since.

The Canfield family moved here in 1963 from Forney and started ranching south of Bogata. Bob is there today enjoying his cows and horses.

Bob is a member of more than one rodeo association but ropes in the Old Timers Rodeo Cowboys Association consistently and travels far and wide. This November 5 he entered a Senior roping in San Angelo where he won second in the average in the 60 and over division. In 1986 he won Reserve Champion in the 55 to 65 age bracket to at the Cowboys Reunion held annually at Stamford. He

repeated this in 1992 in the 65 and up bracket.

When the dust settled in 1992 he was the Runner-up to the title in the Old Timers Rodeo Association located in south central Texas.

In true cowboy fashion Bob gives the credit for his success to his rope horse, Lucky (what else?) He told this writer that his horse was as 'good as the other fellas, not better but as good'. Lucky is an eleven year old registered Quarter Horse and was bought as a yearling for \$350.

Slim, athletic and with a twinkle in his eye, Bob goes about his business as a rodeo cowboy and a member of this community. He doesn't have the cowboy limp but has that other quality that cowboys have, he tells a good story. When asked if he wanted to say something he said, "I thank the Lord that I can still do this at 66".

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Talco-Bogata I.S.D. Calendar of Events

Event Schedule
December

December 14	Talco-Special Dress Up Day TBA
.....	Girls Basketball At Bogata
.....	Bogata-Honey Grove Here 5 p.m., 7G, 8G
15	Talco-Special Dress Up Day TBA
.....	Bogata-Class Favorite Pictures 12:00
.....	Rivercrest-Mid-term Exams
16	Talco-Red & Green day, Dismiss at 2:40
.....	Bogata-Dismiss at 2:40
.....	Rivercrest-Mid-term Exams, Dismiss at 2:30
17	Talco-Awards Program 9:30 a.m.
.....	Dismiss at 2:40, Mt. Pleasant Tourney 7B, 8B
.....	Bogata-Dismiss at 2:40
.....	Rivercrest-Mid-term Exams Dismiss 2:30
18	All Campus-Teacher Workday
17-19	Mt. Pleasant Tourney Continues
18-19	Hugo Classic There-VB
28-31	Leonard Holiday Tournament, VG, VB

Thunder Prairie Celebrates 10th Birthday...You Can Win Cash

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Next Week Thunder Prairie Publishing will celebrate it's tenth anniversary.

On December 1st 1982 Thomas and Nanalee Nichols purchased the newspaper group from Robert W. and Pat Wright.

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The ten winners will be selected from the complete list of subscribers, and those who enter by mailing or dropping by at any office or mail box a slip with their name, address and phone number. Another words...if you are already taking the paper you don't have to enter for a chance to win. If you are buying the paper at a news rack fill out the found elsewhere in this edition by December 14th.

Don't delay, enter now and perhaps you will have a crisp \$10 to enjoy spending.

Papers On Sale Now, Subscribe During December And Save!!

The Annual Paper Sale goes into effect on December 1st. For the entire month of December you can save \$2 off every subscription and perhaps win cash too!

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From Donna's Desktop

'Twas the night before Christmas in Texas, you know.

Way out on the prairie without any snow.

Asleep in their cabins were Buddy and Sue a dreamin' of Christmas, like me and like you.

Not stockings but lace-ups at the foot of their beds, for this was in Texas, what more need by said?

Then out on the prairie there arose such a clatter I sprang from my bunk to see what was the matter.

Away to the window I flew like a streak, threw back the shutters and took a quick peek.

There on the prairie, I saw, I was stunned, a loaded up buckboard come on at a run.

The driver was gee'n and haw'n with will the horses, not reindeer, he drove with such skill. On there Buck, Poncho and Prince, to the right, there'll be plenty of drivin' for you boys tonight.

When he burst in the cabin, the children awoke, both so astonished that neither one spoke.

He was dressed in pleated Wranglers and a shirt that was red; had a George Strait felt hat on top of his head.

He filled up their boots with such presents galore, that neither could think or a single thing more.

When Buddy recovered the use of his jaws, he asked, in a whisper, are you Santa Claus? Am I the real Santa? Well, what do you think? And he smiled and he gave a mysterious wink.

Then he spring to his buckboard, to his team gave a call, TO THE CHILDREN OF TEXAS, MERRY CHRISTMAS YOU ALL!

That's not exactly how that little poem went but it's close; after all I'm dealing from memory. It was sent to me when I lived in Africa. The year was 1983, and it was the first time in my life that I hadn't been at home for

Christmas. My face was very long.

Time has faded the name of the sender but I'm certain it was designed to brighten the season, it didn't... it made my face even longer.

My cousin came from Washington to visit us and she was the only familiar and Christmasy thing about the season. (Mali is a Moslem country and they don't do much about Christmas.) Her clothes never got there, nor did our Christmas presents but she was family and I was glad to see her.

Christmas is in the heart, I fully understand, but very little of the foreign community did much about the a season. We took a four-day tour up country en bush and camped out. Christmas dinner was C-Rations heated one at a time because we had only a one burner camp stove. Our car caught on fire twice. (We might have cooked our dinners over the car if we'd thought about it.) Oh, did I mention the temperature was nearly 100 degrees. Christmas was not in the air, just a lot of dust.

That day we went to a market in a town called D'Jenne. We were just south of Timbuktu, and despite all the new and interesting places we were going and things I was seeing; the wonderful experiences I was having about which most people only dream, I wanted to be at home in Texas with my family. I wanted turkey and dressing and cranberry sauce and all the trimmings. (I don't eat cranberry sauce or turkey but you know what I mean).

I don't expect Christmas to be as described in the poem I tried to remember for you, but, I am grateful to be here among my friends and family and if you asked what I wanted for Christmas I couldn't think of a single thing more. Well, maybe one or two little things.

MERRY CHRISTMAS



Honor Society Inducts Jessica Hines

On Friday, December 4, during the fourth annual induction ceremony at East Texas State University at Texarkana, Jessica Hines was inducted into the Omicron Omega Chapter of Sigma Tau Delta, the international English honor society. Jessica was among eighteen inductees honored during the ceremony. To be eligible

for membership in the society, students must maintain a 3.40 or better grade point average.

Jessica is also a member of ETSU-T's English Club, and is a senior student majoring in elementary education. Jessica is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Gray and grand-daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Gray of Bogata.

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Country Cooking
By Judy Screws



Judy Screws called us Saturday night. She was very upset...it seems she had been hospitalized before she could get her column ready!
Lying in the hospital, the poor gal was apologizing to US for not having a column ready!
We assured her that the only thing she should be concerned with was getting well.
So, since it's the Christmas season, and lots of "goodies" are being made, we decided to look back over the past year or so's recipes and pick out some that might make great holiday presents.

- Betty Denison's German Cookies**
1 cup brown sugar
1 cup white sugar
1 cup Crisco
2 eggs
2 cups corn flakes
1 tsp soda, dissolved in 1 Tbl. water
1 tsp. baking powder sifted with 2 cups flour
1 cup coconut
1 cup raisins
2 cups pecans
2 tsp. vanilla
Cream sugar & Crisco well, add eggs, flour, soda and water, corn flakes and other ingredients. Drop on greased cookie sheet. Bake at 325 degrees for 10 to 12 minutes. Take up with spatula.
- Chinese Ting A Lings**
12 oz. Butterscotch chips
5 oz. can chow mein noodles
1 Tbs. Peanut Butter
1 tsp. vanilla
Melt butterscotch chips in microwave, stir in peanut butter and vanilla. Stir in noodles, mashing with spoon as you stir. Drop by teaspoons onto wax paper and cool.
- Lenita Unruh's Brownies**
1 1/2 cups flour
2 cups sugar
1/2 cup cocoa
1 tsp. salt
1 cup Crisco oil
4 eggs
2 tsp. vanilla
1 cup nuts
- Mix together all dry ingredients, then add liquids. Blend well. Bake in 9x13 greased and floured pan at 325 for 30 minutes.
- Cracker Snacks From Gertru Baker**
1 box oyster crackers
1 pkg. dry original ranch dressing mix
1 cup vegetable oil
1 tsp. dill weed.
Mis dressing, oil and dill together. Pour over crackers in zip lock plastic gallon size bag. Mix well and marinate for 6-8 hours before serving.
- Christmas Cookies from Nita Simmons**
3 cups sugar
1 cup milk
1/4 tsp. salt
1 cup chopped dates
1/2 cup chopped nuts
1 cup coconut
1 tsp. vanilla
Bring sugar, salt and milk to a boil over medium heat. Cook until color slightly changes and forms firm ball in cold water. Working quickly, add vanilla dates and nuts and coconut. Drop in heaping spoonfuls on wax paper. If part sets hard in pan add a few drops of water and reheat, stirring until it comes together. This will be thick...thick. Makes 5 dozen nuggets.

Russie Grant Bell Dies December 2

Russie Grant Bell, 91, of Deport died Wednesday, December 2 in Deport Nursing Home.
Services were conducted at 11 a.m. Thursday, December 3 in Highland Cemetery with the Rev. Chief Warden officiating. Grant Funeral Home had charge of arrangements.
Mr. Bell was born June 4, 1901 in Deport, a son of Frank and Minnie Abigail Grant Bell. He married Mary Pauline Bledsoe September 26, 1929. She died March 30, 1986. He was a member of the Deport United Methodist Church and was a retired grocery store clerk.
Surviving are two brothers, Jack Bell of Deport and Stanley Bell of Bogata.

Billy Joe Hankins Dies December 2

Billy Joe Hankins, 63, formerly of Bogata, died Wednesday, December 2 in a veterans hospital in Dallas.
Graveside services were held at 11 a.m. Saturday, December 5 in Bogata Cemetery with the Rev. Brian Baggett officiating. Bogata Funeral Home had charge of arrangements.
Mr. Hankins was born October 29, 1929 in Morris, OK, a son of Frank and Burley Wall Hankins. He was a retired truck driver.
Surviving are one son, Eric Hankins of Exeter, CA; one daughter, Karen Hankins of Bogata and five grandchildren.

James C. Gaston Dies December 3

James C. Gaston, 77, of Detroit, died Thursday, December 3 at his home.
Services were held at 10 a.m. Saturday, December 5 at Fry and Gibbs Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Ron Byers officiating. Burial was in Detroit Cemetery.
Surviving is his wife.
Mr. Gaston was born April 18, 1915 in Detroit, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Gaston. He was a veteran of World War II and a retired chef. He married Nell B. Caffee December 8, 1972.

Haney (Tinkie) Shannon Dies December 2

Haney Elwin (Tinkie) Shannon, 89, of Deport died Wednesday, December 2 in St. Joseph's Hospital, Paris.
Services were held at 11 a.m. Friday, December 4 in Fry and Gibbs Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Gaither L. Day officiating. Burial was in Evergreen Cemetery.
Mr. Shannon was born April 26, 1903 in Sylvan, a son of John Haney and Julia Alice Vanhook Shannon. He attended Sylvan schools, Paris Commercial College and a police academy. He had been a captain of the Paris Police Department and had worked as a highway patrolman as well as a deputy U.S. Marshal. He had served as a deputy sheriff and had operated a service station. He married Miriam Louise Hancock September 1, 1928. He was a Methodist.
Surviving are his wife; one daughter, Mrs. Rick (Carolyn) Olson of Houston; one granddaughter and two great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by an infant son, Lloyd Elwin Shannon.
Bearers were Wayne Caviness, Eddie Goforth, Roy Lee Castlebury, James Day, Arlie Mitcham and B. Power.

Card of Thanks

No words can express our sincere appreciation for all the kind deeds shown us during the loss of our loved one.
For prayers, flowers, donations, cards, food and words of encouragement, we would like to say "Thanks".
We appreciate the support from Kimberly-Clark, the Chili cooks, friends and relatives.
Special "Thanks" goes to Dr. Brooks, the paramedics, Bro. George Thomas, Bro. Bob Bush, Bro. Johnny Couch and Bro. Lawrence Hammonds.
Thanks for the use of the Methodist Fellowship Hall and the ladies, who prepared the food for our family after the service.
May the Lord bless each of you.

The Family of Sammy Wilkerson


Rural Fatal Traffic Accidents Decrease For 1992

Rural fatal traffic accidents in the 18-county Tyler Highway Patrol District decreased by 6% and deaths decreased by 11% during the first 10 months of 1992, compared to the same period in 1991.
During the first 10 months of 1992, Highway Patrol Troopers investigated 4,506 accidents in the district, including 103 fatal accidents that claimed 125 lives and 2,132 injury accidents that injured 3,493 persons. Property damage accidents totaled 2,271 during the period.
During the month of October, 1992, troopers investigated 447 accidents in the District, including 13 fatal accidents that claimed 14 lives and 214 injury accidents that injured 348 persons. Property damage accidents totaled 221 during the month.

Comptroller Rep To Offer Tax Help

Wayne Brower of the Comptroller's Tyler field office will be at PJC from 10 a.m. to noon on Wednesday, December 16. He will be available to give accurate information to all tax questions, assist with filing tax returns, collect on delinquent taxes and provide other valuable information.
Those unable to meet with Mr. Brower can call the Comptroller's toll free tax hotline for additional assistance at 1-800-252-5555.

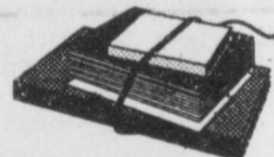
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TALCO-BOGATA eighth grade boys team consists of, left to right, back row: Coach Keith Brown, Alvin Savage, Andre Savage, Todd Barker, Clint Gage, Kyle Hines, Dru Denison and Michael Deming. Front row: Mitch Ellis, Craig Combs, Justin Smith, LaDarryl Savage and Eric Martin. (Staff Photo by Nancy Brown)

School Menu

Bogata-Talco-Rivercrest
Lunch Menu
Week of December 14-17
Monday

Pizza
Corn
Salad
Dessert
Milk

Tuesday

Chile and beans
Crackers
Carrots
Fruit
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Wednesday

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Rebel Sports Report

Lady Rebels Fall To Mt. Pleasant

The Lady Rebels varsity team traveled to Mt. Pleasant on December 1 and had a slow start, drawing 10 fouls in the first quarter.

The Lady Tigers held a 28-15 score over Rivercrest at halftime. All the Lady Tigers had to do was make their free shots and that's exactly what they did.

The Lady Rebels tried hard to assist each other and Chasity Hall played a good defensive game. LaQuitta Norman scored 28 points followed by LaTrisha Belcher. The fouls called on RHS were awesome in number. LaTrisha Belcher, Konya Nickerson, Chasity Hall, LaQuitta Norman and Kathy Hinsley were all lost to foul trouble, but the girls did not give up easily. Final score was 58-54, Mt. Pleasant. Also scoring for the Lady Rebs were Chasity Hall, Kathy Hinsley, Jennifer Bond and Ashley Ross.

The ladies competed in the Mt. Vernon tournament December 3-4-5.

On Thursday they met Sulphur Springs, taking an easy win. LaQuitta Norman was high scorer for the team with 14, followed by Chasity Hall with 13. Also scoring were Nickerson, Belcher, Shaunda Jones, Michelle Giles, Bond and Ross and Karen Williams. Final score was 55-33, Rivercrest.

On Friday the ladies met Union Hill. The Lady Rebs got in foul trouble early and bad passes and bricked shots hurt the team. Union Hill Lady Dogs led 25-17 at the half. The Reb team waited until the fourth quarter to gain perspective.

In fourth quarter action, Karen Williams and Michelle Giles were lost to foul trouble. LaQuitta Norman turned her off game into an on-game just a little late.

At the final buzzer, Norman busted a 3-pointer, making the final score 54-53, Lady Dogs. High scorer for the game was Norman followed by Nickerson. Also scoring were Chasity Hall, LaTrisha Belcher, Karen

Williams, Kathy Hinsley and Michelle Giles.

The Lady Rebs returned Saturday to play Mt. Vernon with LaTrisha Belcher serving as captain for the team.

The girls jumped to a 32-26 halftime score. Assists were abundant, but again fouls hurt. Seventeen team fouls were committed by the Lady Rebs at the half. The Lady Tigers took advantage of the fouls, making the majority of their free shots.

LaTrisha Belcher and Chasity Hall were lost to foul trouble. A technical was called on LaQuitta Norman for slinging the ball. Although she lost her cool, she scored 20 Lady Rebel points followed by Ashley Ross and LaTrisha Belcher. Others scoring were Kathy Hinsley, Konya Nickerson, Chasity Hall and Michelle Giles. Final score was 54-45, Lady Rebels.

Chasity Hall and LaQuitta Norman received All Tournament Honors. The team took second place.

Talco-Bogata JH Sees Action

The Talco-Bogata Junior High eighth grade girls traveled to Mt. Pleasant to play in the P.E. Wallace girls tournament on December 4 and 5.

The girls met the Mt. Pleasant eighth grade B team on Friday. The Lady Rebels did a great job in assisting one another with pass after pass going in for the score. Kelly Anderson and Jana Weatherall repeatedly stole the ball to score. Halftime score was 19-7, Lady Rebels. Kristi Hines did a good job, ripping the net for 12 points, while high scorer belonged to Jana Weatherall with 17.

Paul Pewitt proved to be a tough game for the Lady Rebels and they were defeated 40-23. Coach Lee said, "If the girls had played as well as they did in the first two games, I have no doubt they could have beaten them." The breaks simply weren't there.

The girls brought home the second place trophy. It was their first tournament of the season and fans can look forward to more wins from the young ladies.

Talco-Bogata seventh grade Lady Rebels traveled to Chisum Friday and Saturday to participate in their tournament. This was also the first tournament of the year for the Lady Rebels, and they were defeated by Chisum and again Saturday. Both girls teams will play at Bogata on December 14. Everyone is encouraged to come out and support the young teams.

The Talco-Bogata eighth grade and seventh grade boys participated in the Chisum Tournament Friday and Saturday. The eighth grade boys won consolation and the sportsmanship trophy. The seventh grade boys won consolation at the tourney.

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THE RIVERCREST VARSITY BOYS basketball team won First Place at the Mt. Vernon tournament held last weekend. Team members are: Jerry Francis, Eddie Williams, Reggie Alford, Mike McGee, Jerry Belyeu. Front row: Shawn Barker, Dean Tiffie, Shawn Richeson and Clay Pirtle. (Staff Photo by Donna Rozell)

Johntown Locals

Freda and Sarah Jean had lunch with her mother Nadine Burke in Mt. Pleasant.

Freda and Donald Jean attended a Christmas Party at David and Lynn Barretts home in Mt. Pleasant, Saturday night.

Freda, Donald, Sarah and Mitchell Jean, Mark and Kathy Riddle of Sugar Hill and Druce and Billie Pirtle ate at the Barnstormer Restaurant after the basketball game Friday night.

Last Friday Jana, Haley and Heather Hawkins enjoyed shopping and seeing the movie Home Alone II in Paris.

Mark, Haley and Heather Hawkins attended the 5th birthday party of Clinton Vandever at the Talco Baptist Church in Talco Saturday afternoon.

Tuesday night Druce and Billie Ruth Pirtle enjoyed seeing all the Christmas scenes and Christmas lights in Marshall.

Sunday afternoon Billie Ruth Pirtle, Dana Anderson, Kyle Harville, Holly Jean, Jill Shirley and Mitchell Jean enjoyed the movie Home Alone II in Paris.

Enjoying a weekend in Branson, Mo. were Doug and Robbie Hawkins, Mo. The trip was a Christmas present from Randy and Sheila Hawkins of Arkansas.

Mr. and Mrs. Gene Hawkins visited Mrs. Barbara Kelly, a surgery patient in McCuiston Medical Center, on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Morris of Clarksville visited the Gene Hawkins on Tuesday afternoon.

On Wednesday the Gene Hawkins enjoyed a visit with Doris Ruff of Paris.

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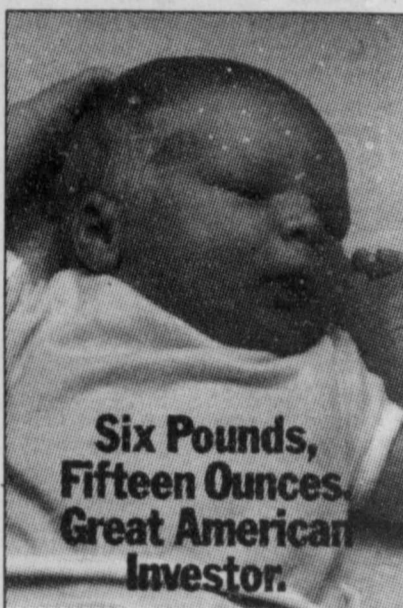
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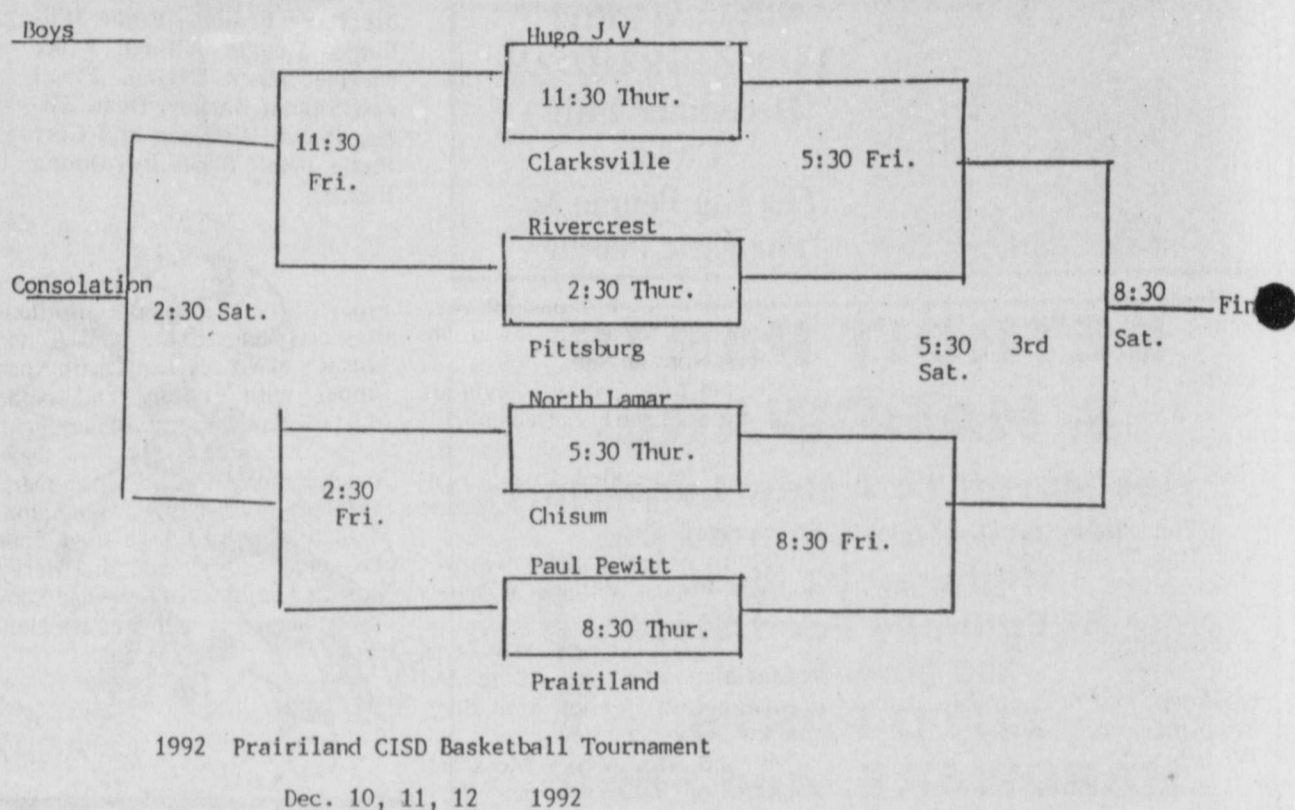
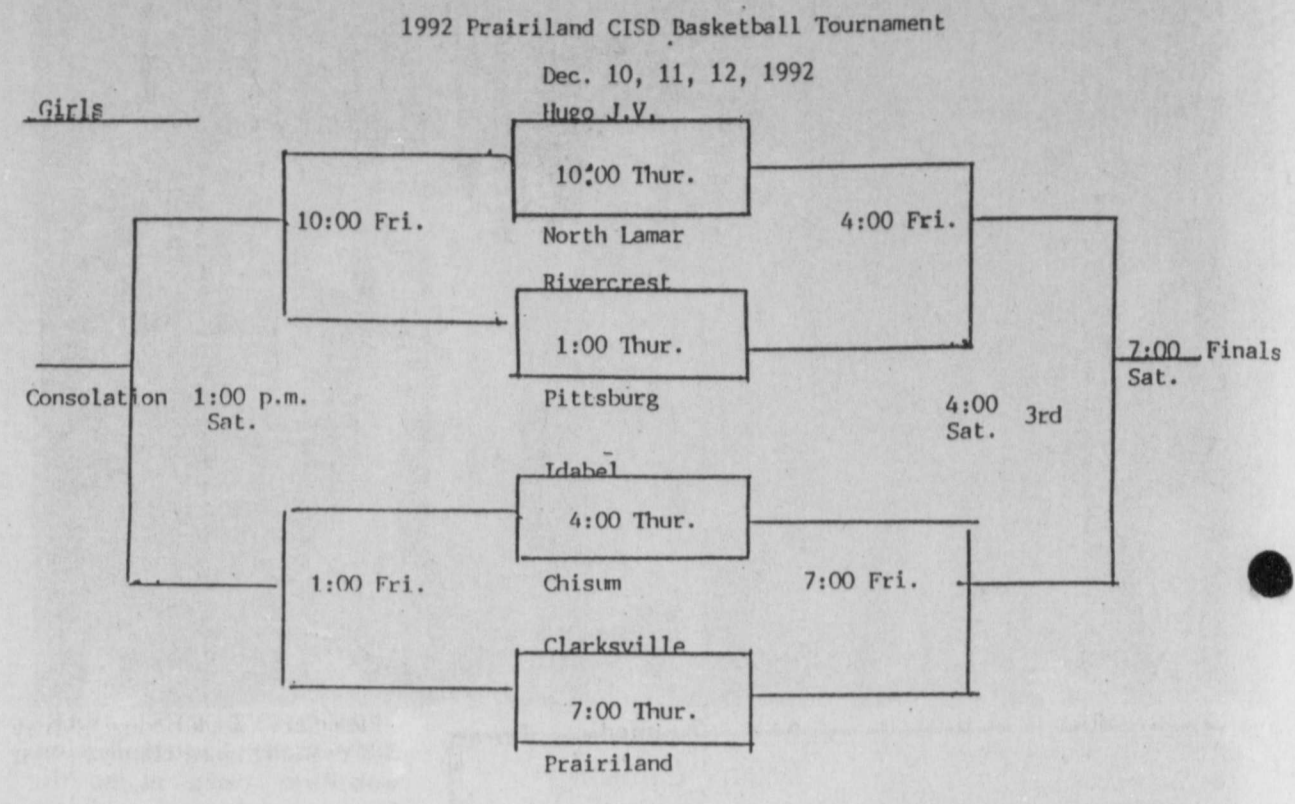
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RIVERCREST JUNIOR VARSITY boys won second place in the tournament held last weekend at Rivercrest. Pictured are

Kyle Kennedy, Jeremy Weatherall, Jeremy Loggins and (front) Andy Speirs, not pic-

tured are, Jack Brown, Sidney Hines and Steven Thomas. (Staff Photo by Donna Rozell)



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Cunningham News

By Berniece Wyatt

Rev. Carter Lyles of Paris was guest speaker at the Baptist Church Sunday.

Happy birthday to Deryl Cooper on his 25th. He was honored with a super at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Cooper Sunday. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Brit Phillips, Lindy and Bonnie of Lone Star, Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Cooper, Ryan and Khimen K'Lene and Jennifer Dorrell.

Velma Cox spent Sunday night with Dora Hester of Paris.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Burchinal and Tanna of Houston spent Monday night with Mr. and Mrs. Bill Chipman.

Christi Smith of Talco visited Ruby Smith in Cherry Street Nursing Home Wednesday.

Geneva Norwood was guest speaker and breakfast guest at the Missionary Society meeting at the First Baptist Church in deport Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Ray Oats, Brandon and Georjeana had Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Oats.

Mr. and Mrs. J.R. Byrd of Bedford spent Saturday night and Sunday with

Lucy Fowler. Johnnie Warren of Deport Nursing Home was a Sunday visitor.

Ollie Ruth Guthrie and Matthew Guthrie of Talco had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Norman Sain.

Mr. and Mrs. Danny Melvin are the parents of a son born December 1. He has been named Stephen Wayne.

Darold Norwood of Paris had Saturday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Almer Norwood.

Velma Cox had breakfast with Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Williams of Deport Friday.

Jane O'Neal, Sue Jackson of Paris, Karla Palmer of Bogata, Andrea and Kara and Lisa Drinnon went shopping in Dallas Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Mervy Moss and children of Paris, Mr. and Mrs. Frankie Norwood, Logan and Laton, Mr. and Mrs. Scotty Norwood, Spur and Amber had lunch with Geneva Norwood Sunday.

Kenneth Palmer visited his mother, Meldeana Black Palmer in Deport Nursing Home Saturday.

Rachel Smith Ward of Talco visited Ruby Smith in Cherry Street Nursing Home Wednesday.

Fannibel Edwards of Magnolia spent Sunday through Friday with her mother, Mrs. Delsa Wilson.

Dennis Temple of Houston underwent surgery in a Houston hospital Monday and is recovering nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Talma Norwood spent Friday night with Mr. and Mrs. Almer Norwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Slusher visited Mr. and Mrs. Charles Taylor of Paris Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Sain visited Mr. and Mrs. George Green of Mt. Pleasant, Ollie Ruth Guthrie and Mr. and Mrs. Carl B. Guthrie of Talco and Mr. and Mrs. D.C. Thomas of Johntown Sunday.

Alma Norwood visited Noah Poe in Parkview Nursing Home Thursday.

Roy Powers is a patient in the St. Joseph Hospital.

Dwayne Drinnon, O'Neal and Weston visited Mr. and Mrs. Wiliam Drinnon of Frogville, OK Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Slusher visited Sister Virgie Temple and Wayne Crafton of Cherry Street Manor and Harry Slusher, Della Howe, Marvin Anderson and Bertha Hamm of Cherry Street Annex Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Nichols of

Deport had lunch with Mr. and Mrs. Almer Norwood Friday.

Michael Madewell and Renee Madewell of Blossom, Brent Sprinkle of Paris and Stacy and Linda Musgrove, Stoney and Charity had supper with Johnny and Nelta Musgrove and Zarinska Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Ray Oats, Brandon and Georjeana, Mr. and Mrs. Frankie Norwood, Logan adn Laton, Mr. and Mrs. Scotty Norwood, Spur and Amber with Mr. and Mrs. Mervy Moss and children of Paris had Sunday night supper with Geneva Norwood.



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Rivercrest JV Travels To Mt. Pleasant

The Rivercrest JV team traveled to Mt. Pleasant on December 1. The team was behind 29-24 at halftime. Stephen Thomas did a good job on defense for the team while Jeremy Weatherall and Jack Brown shared high point position.

Also scoring were Kyle Kennedy, Sydney Hines, Andy Speir and Stephen Thomas. Although the Rebels tried, Mt. Pleasant had the advantage of being able to rest their players. Final score was 67-44, Mt. Pleasant.

On Thursday, the JV Rebs began play in their own tournament against Mt. Vernon JV Tigers.

Kyle Kennedy had an outstanding night, scoring 26 points, followed by Jack Brown with 11. At halftime, the team held a 26-19 total over the Tigers. The team lost Jeremy Loggins to foul trouble after a good game. Also scoring were Andy Speir, Stephen Thomas and Jeremy Weatherall. Final score was 54-39, RHS.

On Friday, the Rebels met Cooper. Again the Rebs came to win and

after the first quarter, the score was 23-8, RHS. The team is showing a slow third quarter in nearly every game and this was no exception. Kyle Kennedy went to the boards for 28 points, followed by Jeremy Weatherall. Jeremy Loggins again played good defense for the team. Also scoring were Andy Speir, Jack Brown, Stephen Thomas and Sydney Hines. Final score was 55-44, Rebels.

The Rebels met the Mt. Pleasant ninth grade on Saturday with Jeremy Weatherall as captain.

The game began slowly with RHS holding a 26-22 lead over the Tigers at the half. Reb Kyle Kennedy couldn't go to the goal without at least two players getting by with a free ride. The Tigers had no trouble getting the one and one shot, while the Rebels couldn't even get a foul called.

The third quarter slump attacked the Rebel team, with the quarter ending 35-31.

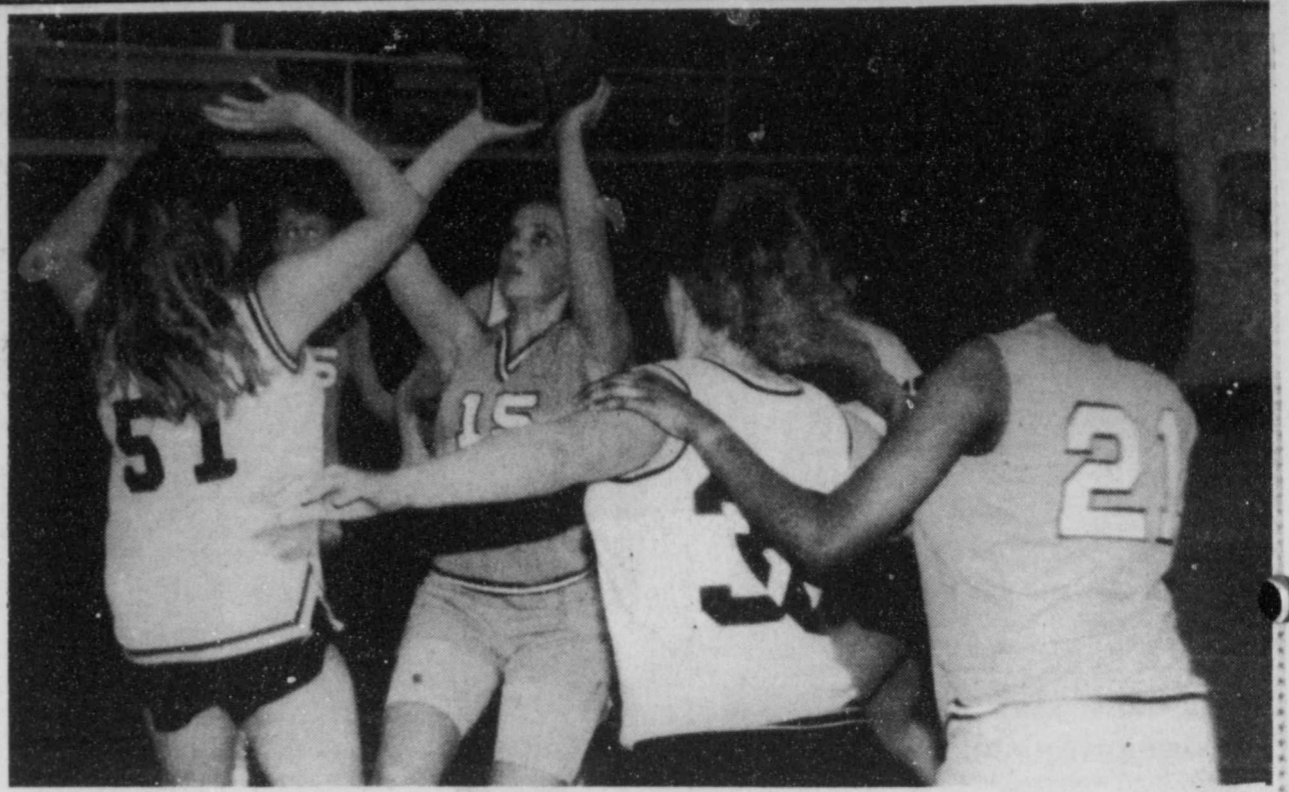
Jeremy Weatherall and Jeremy Loggins were lost to foul trouble in

the fourth. Jack Brown led the team in scoring with 14 points, followed by Andy Speir. Of these two boys' points, Brown had four three-pointers, while Speir had three.

The Rebels couldn't pull out a last 10-second score. Final was 46-44, Mt. Pleasant.

The tournament ended with Mt. Pleasant first; Rivercrest second, Paris High ninth grade third and Prairiland, consolation.

On December 7 the Rebels traveled to Paris. This could not be called a good game for the younger Rebels, but neither could it be called a bad game. The team couldn't break the Paris press consistently. The Rebels traveled, threw the ball away and let themselves get trapped too often. The half ended 39-32, Paris. Kyle Kennedy went to the board and scored 26 points, followed by Jeremy Weatherall. Also scoring were Andy Speir, Stephen Thomas, Jack Brown, Jeremy Loggins and Sydney Hines. Final score was 77-60, Paris.



LADY REBEL Lindy Penn was up for a shot in basketball ac-

tion last week for the Rebel Junior High team. (Staff Photo

by Nancy Brown)

Rivercrest Freshmen Play In JV Tourney

The Rebel freshman team began play Thursday in the Rivercrest JV tournament against Cooper.

The younger Rebels stayed close in the first quarter were a nightmare, ending 32-17, Cooper, at the half and 46-29 by the end of the third. But never count a Rebel team out until the buzzer sounds. The Rebs came to life, stealing the ball, assisting one another and popping the net for three-pointers.

John Davidson led the team with 20 points, followed by Eric Waller with 14. Also adding points were Jay Hancock, A.J. Lee, Juan Torres and Carey Gable.

Lee Hancock and Waller were three point makers for the team. As the Rebel score climbed, Hancock and

Torres were lost to foul trouble. Final score was 58-50, Cooper.

The young Rebs did an outstanding job. Coach Gary Schultz said "I'm very proud of these boys, they held up great against more experienced boys."

On Friday, the boys met Mt. Vernon JV, again playing comeback ball. Closing the Tiger lead to 6 points at one time. The final score was 56-41, Mt. Vernon. John Davidson was high scorer followed by Carey Gable.

On Saturday, the Rebs played Sulphur Bluff. The boys snoozed through the first half, making uncommon mistakes. As seems to be the pattern for this team, they again had a great fourth quarter. Final score was 66-63, Sulphur Bluff.

These eight freshman boys did a good job throughout the tournament, playing older, larger boys. They will surely be a fine varsity team one day.

On December 7, the boys traveled to Paris High to play the Wildcats. A tiring weekend showed, as the halftime score was 36-27, Paris. The boys closed the score to 51-40 in the third, but lost Jay Hancock and Thomas Stoner to foul trouble in the early part of the fourth quarter. Bad passes, walking and small mistakes took the

toll, and being without post John Davidson, hurt the team. Final score was 81-56, Paris. High scorer for the

team was Jay Hancock. Also scoring were Eric Waller, A.J. Lee, Juan Torres, Carey Gable and Thomas Stoner.

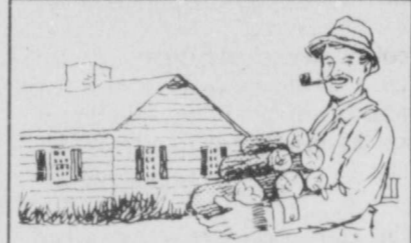
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Holiday Hints

Caring For A Holiday Pet

A kitten can make a "purr-fectly" delightful holiday gift. A new puppy can also be a tail-wagging success. It's essential, however, that you know how to care for these new additions to your family.

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- Feeding:**
 - Feed your puppy three times a day until he's three or four months old, then cut out the midday meal and feed larger portions in morning and evening.
 - Keep food in your kitten's dish at all times. By nature, kittens regulate their own eating habits according to their nutritional/caloric needs.
 - Don't leave stale food in your pet's bowl—discard after one day.
 - Don't omit dry food from a puppy or kitten's diet; chewing is good for their teeth and dry food contains important nutrients.
- Bedding:**
 - When choosing a bed for your puppy, set up a cage or crate with an old blanket/towel in a quiet place.
 - Be sure outside kittens have a shelter—garage or porch—from the

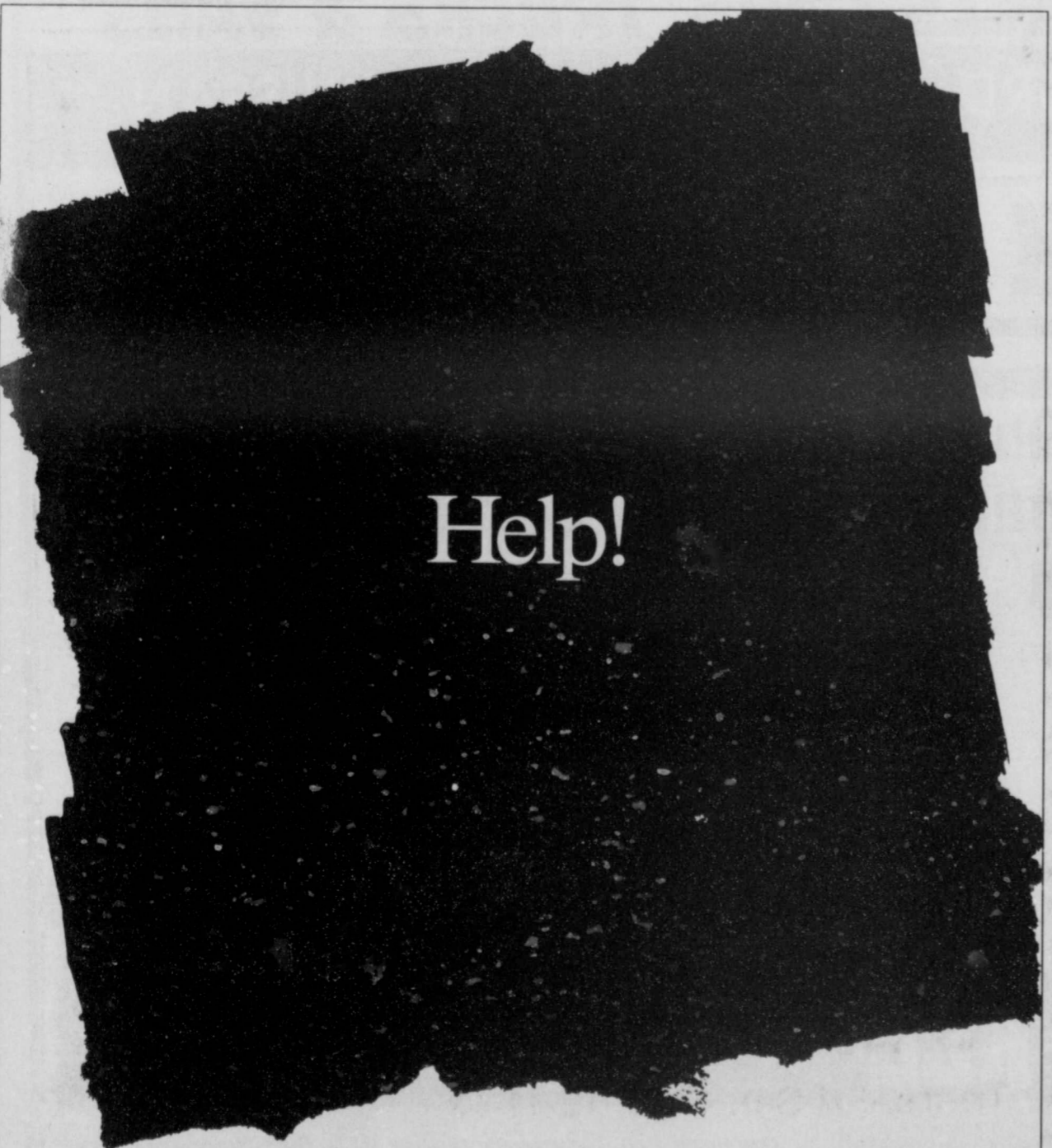


Knowing the basics of puppy and kitten care can help make the holidays, and every day with your new pet, merry.

rain. Inside kittens may like to sleep in a high-sided box lined with a washable pillow or cushion.

- Housebreaking:**
 - Know the tell-tale signs of a puppy who wants to be walked: walking around in circles, sitting at the door and whining, making sustained eye contact, combined with a slightly anxious expression.
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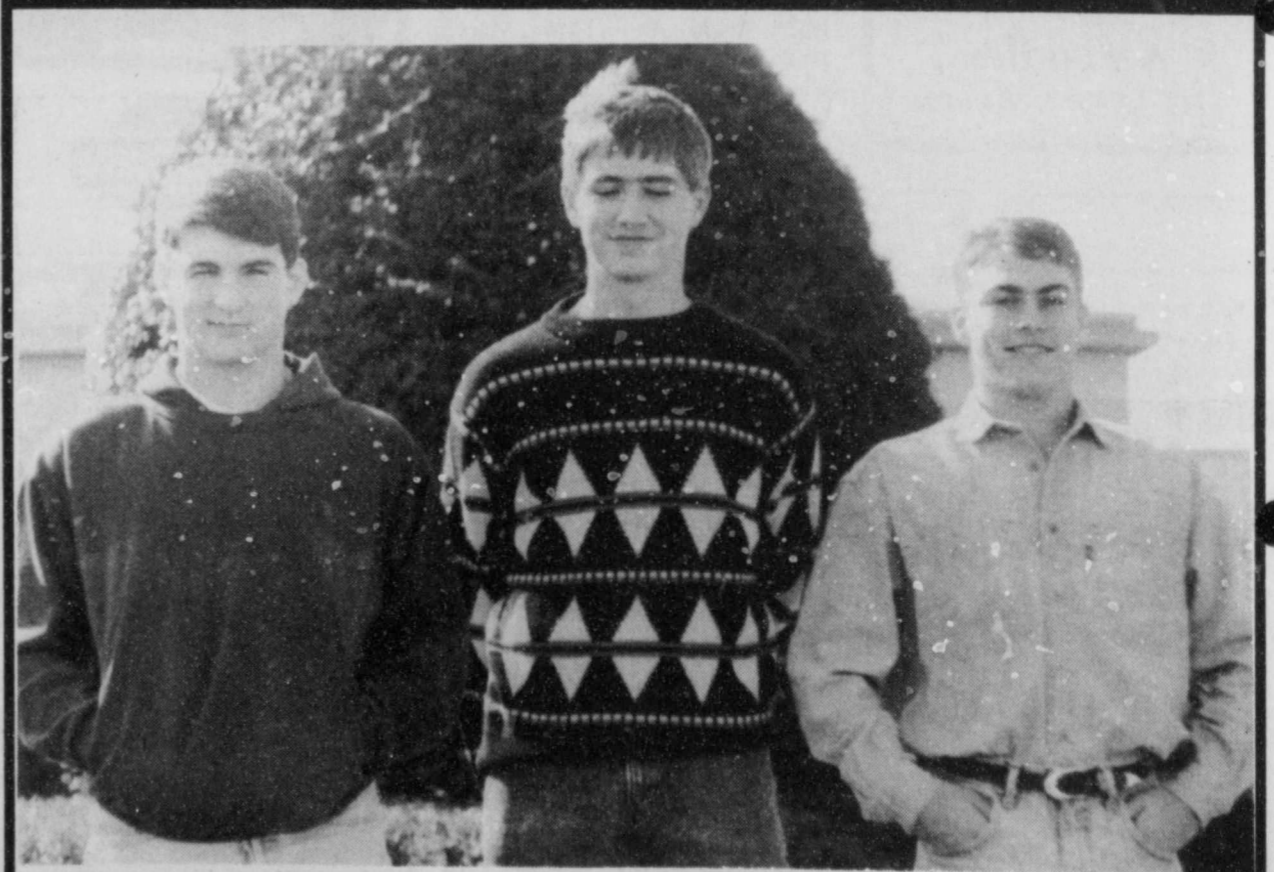
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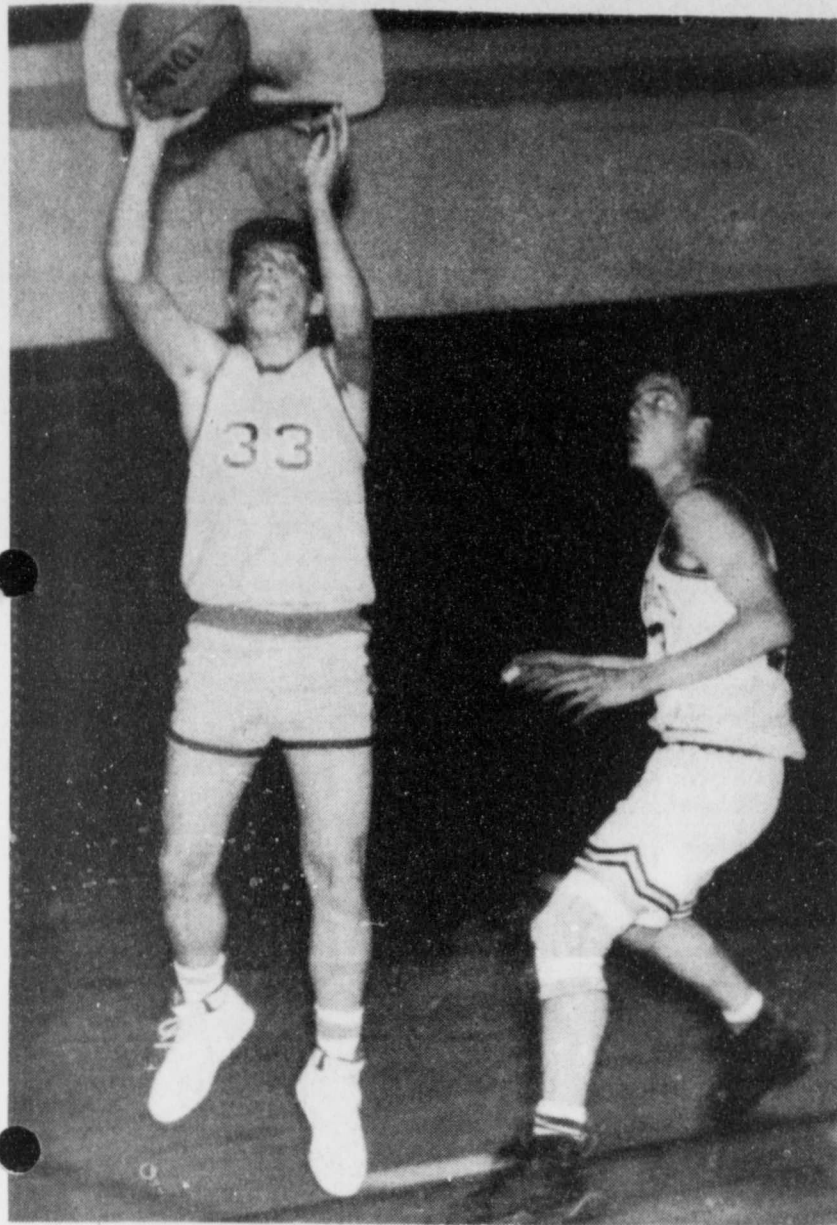
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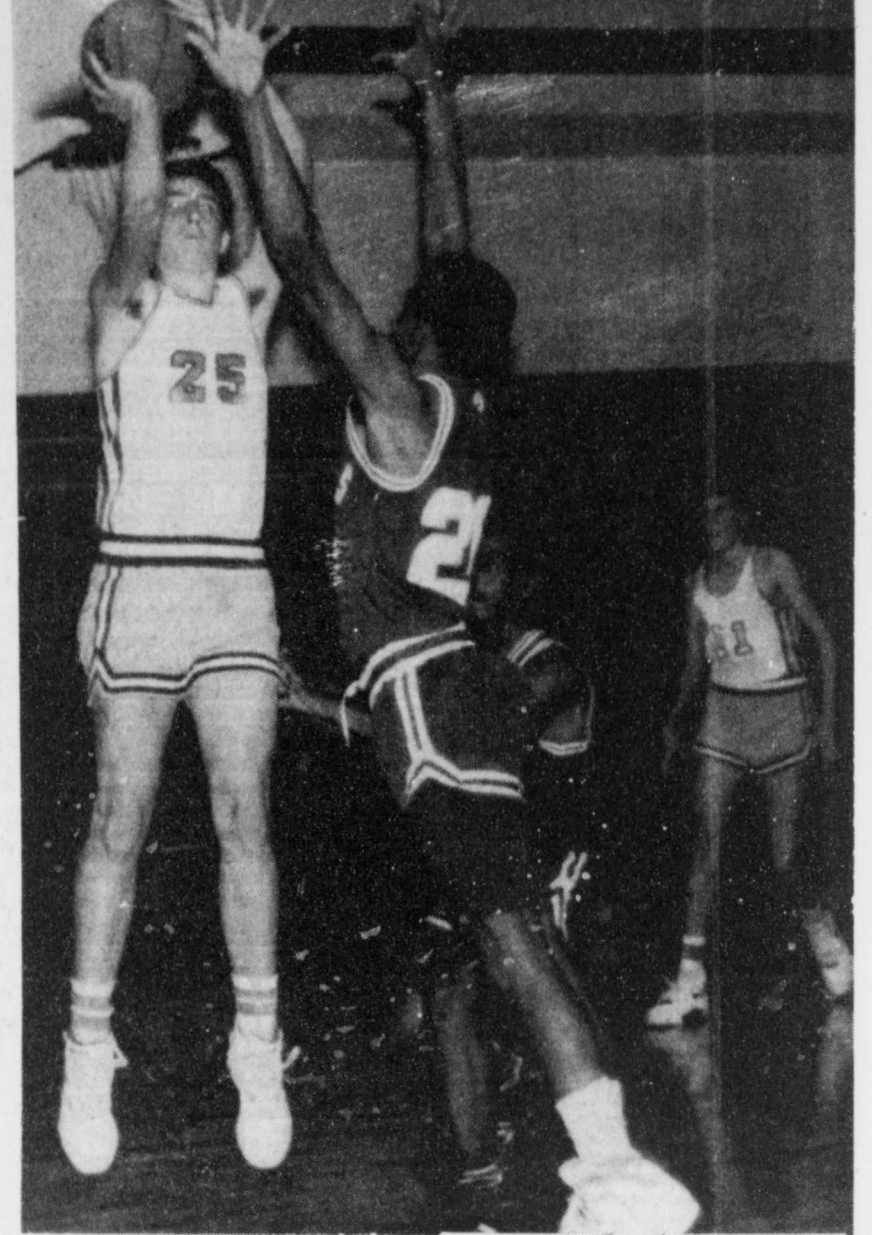
RIVERCREST ninth grader Juan Torres took a shot at the basket in basketball action last week against the Cooper Bull-

dogs. The young Rebels defeated the Dogs 58-50. (Staff Photo by Nancy Brown)



THE ALL TOURNAMENT TEAM was named for the Mt. Vernon Tournament and Eddie

Williams and Dean Tiffie of Rivercrest were among those selected. (Staff Photo By Donna Rozell)



JV REBEL Kyle Kennedy took a basket against the Mt. Pleasant Tigers last week in the 54-39 win. Kennedy scored 26 points in the game. Teammate Jack Brown is also pictured. He scored 11 points in the game. (Staff Photo by Nancy Brown)

Rebels Win Mt. Vernon Tournament

The Rivercrest Rebels won the Mt. Vernon tournament by sweeping three opponents. On Thursday, the Rebels took Sulphur Springs by the count of 78-72. The game was a run and gun affair with Rivercrest leading all the way. The largest lead for the Rebels was 56-35 midway through the third quarter. Sulphur Springs would never say "die" as they continued to bomb from the outside with 9 "3 pointers". Leading Rivercrest were 5 players in double figures. Eddie Williams led the way. Williams had a game high 18 points, 11 rebounds, 7 block shots. Dean Tiffie came up with 14 points and a very good floor game. Other players scoring in double figures were Reggie Alford with 12 points, Mike McGee with 10 and Clay Pirtle with 10. The Rebels were outstanding from the free throw line making 20 of 22 for over 90%.

In the game played on Friday Rivercrest trounced Union Hill 97-

35. The Rivercrest starters only played half of the contest due to being ahead 50-15 at the half. The Rebels were all over Union Hill from the start with their press and fast break. The Rebels again had a very balanced scoring attack as 6 players were in double

figures. Leading the charge in scoring was junior forward, Jerry Francis. Francis had 20 points and a good rebounding game. Mike McGee in his first role as a starter had 15 points. Eddie Williams, playing only half the contest, had 11 points, 8 block shots and 2 dunks. Dean Tiffie scored 15 points and had 6 assists as he led the Rebels fast break the first half. Reggie Alford came up with a good game scoring 14 points. Clay Pirtle rounded out the double digit scoring with 12 points. All of the players contributed nicely to the Rebel victory.

In the Championship game the Rebels were pitted against Mt. Ver-

non and were more than equal to the task as they defeated the Tigers 59-25. The Rebels had difficulty in the first half of the game as Mt. Vernon's ball control offense maintained the game's slow pace. Rivercrest led at the half only 22-16. The Tigers had their defense set to stop the Rebels cutting offense and fast break. The Tigers showed excellent patience against the Rebel's zone defense. They took high percent shots and hustled back on defense.

The second half was all Rivercrest

as the Rebels changed their defense and went to their inside game on offense. Pirtle, Tiffie and Williams lead the charge as the Rebels outscored Mt. Vernon 35-13 the second half.

Clay Pirtle had 16 big points the second half including 4-3 pointers. The Rebel man-to-man pressing defense in the contest was the difference as they forced 15 turnovers the second half. Dean Tiffie finished the game "high point man" with 17 points. The Tigers tried double teaming Williams which left Pirtle and Tiffie open for 3 pointers. Jerry Francis was the only other Rebel in double figures as he finished with 10 points and 8 rebounds.

Two Rebels were named to the All-Tournament Team, Eddie Williams and Dean Tiffie.

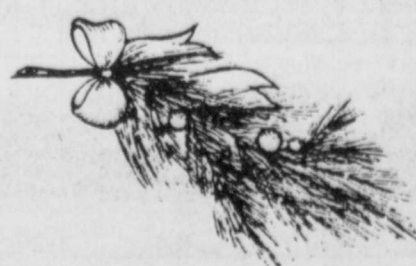
The wins at the Mt. Vernon Tournament brought the Rebels' season record to 5-3. Next action for the Rebels will be this weekend when they travel to Pattonville to play in the Prairieland Invitational Tournament. Their first action is against Pittsburgh at 2:30 p.m. on Thursday. See the paper for pairings for the tournament.

THOUGHT FOR FOOD by GOULD CROOK

Microwave Calico Quiche

- 9 or 10 inch unbaked single-crust pastry
- 1 cup half-and-half
- 1 can (10 1/2 oz.) cut asparagus spears, drained
- 1 can (7 oz.) golden whole kernel corn, drained
- 1 can (6 1/4 oz.) ham, flaked
- 1 1/2 cups (6 oz.) shredded cheddar cheese
- 2 tbsp. finely chopped onion
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 1/8 tsp. pepper

Microwave pastry shell on high for 5 to 6 1/4 minutes or until bottom is dry and flaky. In large bowl, beat half-and-half with eggs. Stir in asparagus, corn, ham, 1 cup cheese, onion, salt and pepper. Pour into baked shell. Microwave on defrost (low) for 25-35 minutes or until knife inserted in center comes out clean, rotating 1/2 turn halfway through cooking. When almost ready, sprinkle with remaining cheddar cheese and microwave 30 seconds. Let stand 5 minutes before serving. Serves six.



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Home Economic Tips

By Virginia Brock, County Agent

When you decide to eat more healthful, lower-fat food, your first step, naturally, is to rethink your order. Higher fat meat cuts or processed meats give way to lean meat choices such as leg or loin choices from red meats, poultry or fish. Macaroni and cheese becomes noodles with tomato sauce, and French fries show up as baked potatoes. Even smaller changes in what you bring home from the grocery store and simple alterations

in preparation can help you turn your eating habits around.

The same is true of your equipment. A few new kitchen tools will enable you to improve your diet, as will looking anew at your old utensils. The right equipment can make cooking easier and helps you prepare nutritious meals quickly and with minimum effort. Frequently the less expensive, more basic kitchen equipment can allow health-seeking and

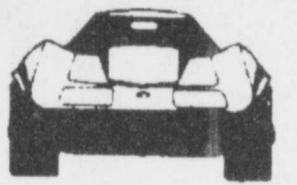
often hurried-cooks to change their eating habits with ease. Now you can find out which tools help the most, along with how to use them and how much you should plan to spend on them.

Sharper knives can mean the difference between cooking healthfully and not cooking healthfully, which is why it is the most important tool in any health-conscious eater's kitchen.

Blenders can be used for making low fat beverages, soups and vegetables. For example, blend a cup of skim or buttermilk with a cup of frozen strawberries for a thick, satisfying milk shake without the added fat that comes from ice cream.

A food scale helps in portion control. Three ounces of meat would make a serving, but how many people actually know what that looks like?

A cheese grater will help in lower-fat cooking.



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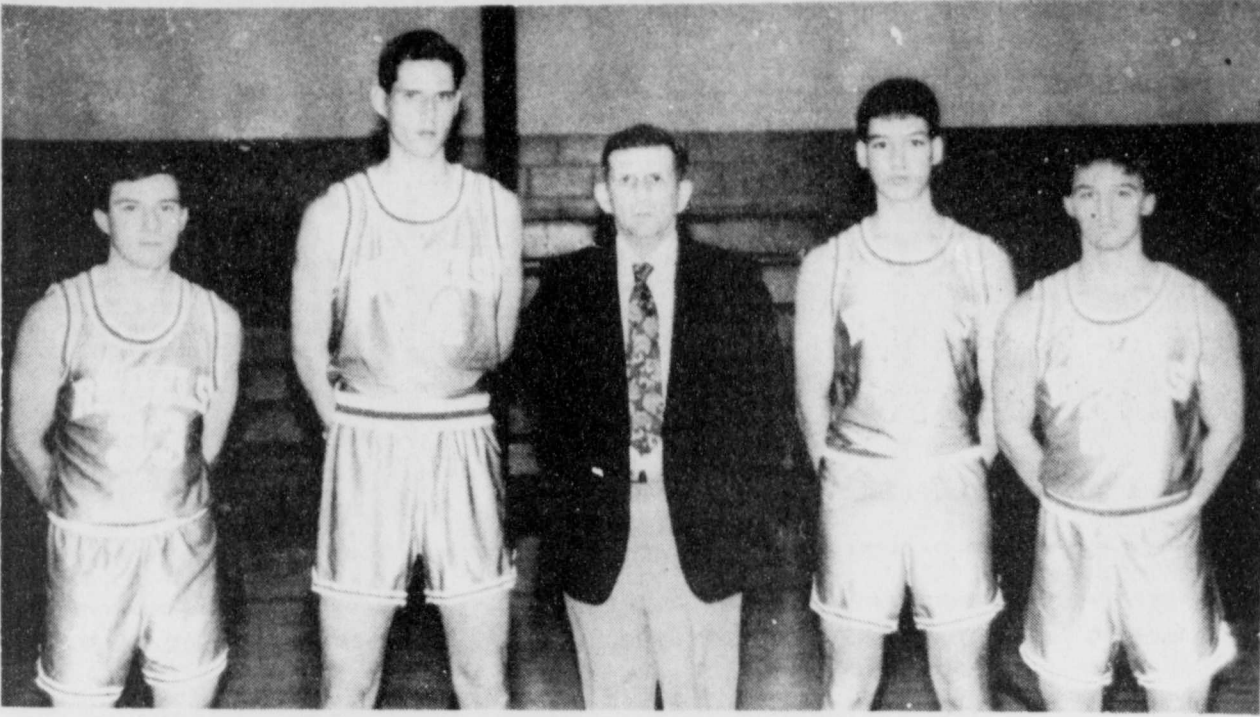
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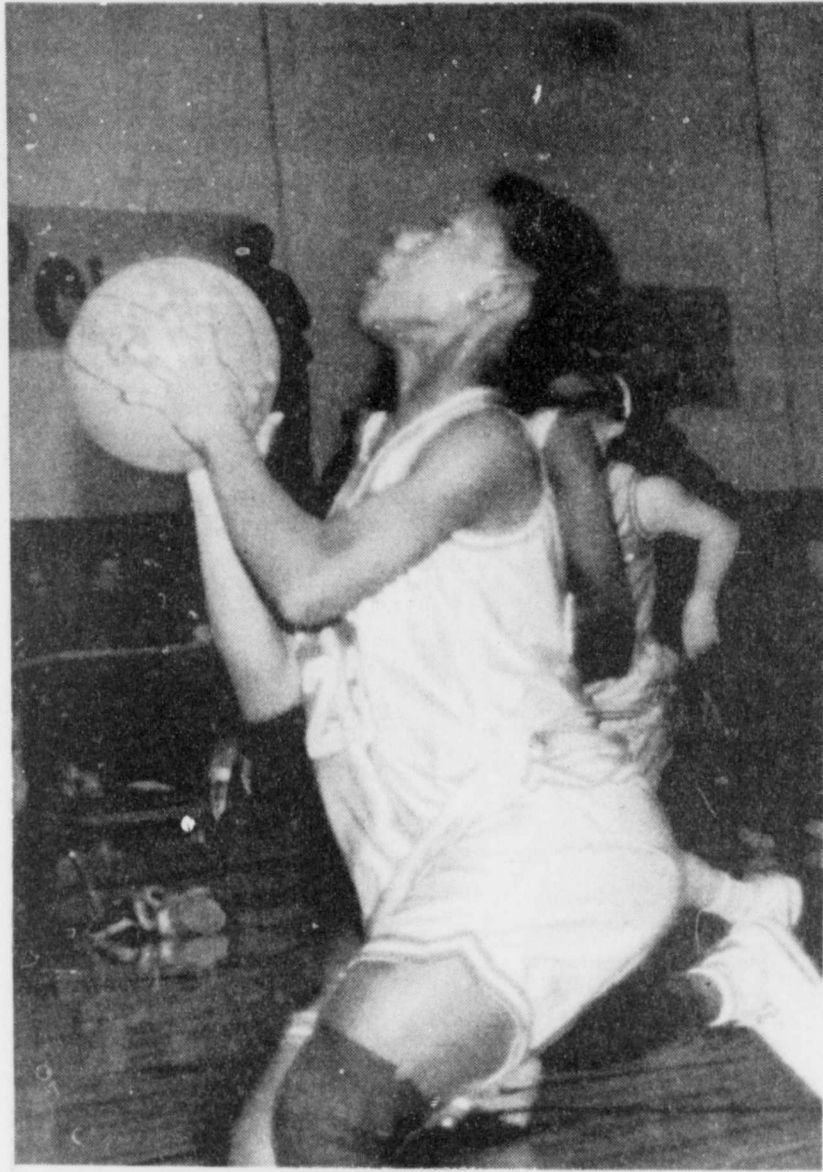


SENIORS for the 1992-93 Rebel basketball team are, not in order: Shawn Barker, Reggie Alford, Jeremy Belyeu and Dean Tiffie. The boys are coached by Wake Wood. (Staff Photo by Nancy Brown)



THE RIVERCREST NINTH GRADE Team this year consists of: left to right, back row; Juan Torres, Eric Waller, John Davidson, Coach Gary Schultz, Toliver Noey, Jay Hancock,

Carey Gable. Front row are Thomas Stoner and A.J. Lee. (Staff Photo by Nancy Brown)



KONYA NICKERSON took a shot for the Lady Rebel varsity team in basketball action against the Mt. Pleasant Lady Tigers last week. (Staff Photo by Nancy Brown)



ASHLEY ROSS goes up for a rebound in basketball action last week against the Mt. Pleasant Lady Tigers. The Lady Rebs fell to their opponent, 58-54. (Staff Photo by Nancy Brown)

WEEKEND CROSSWORD

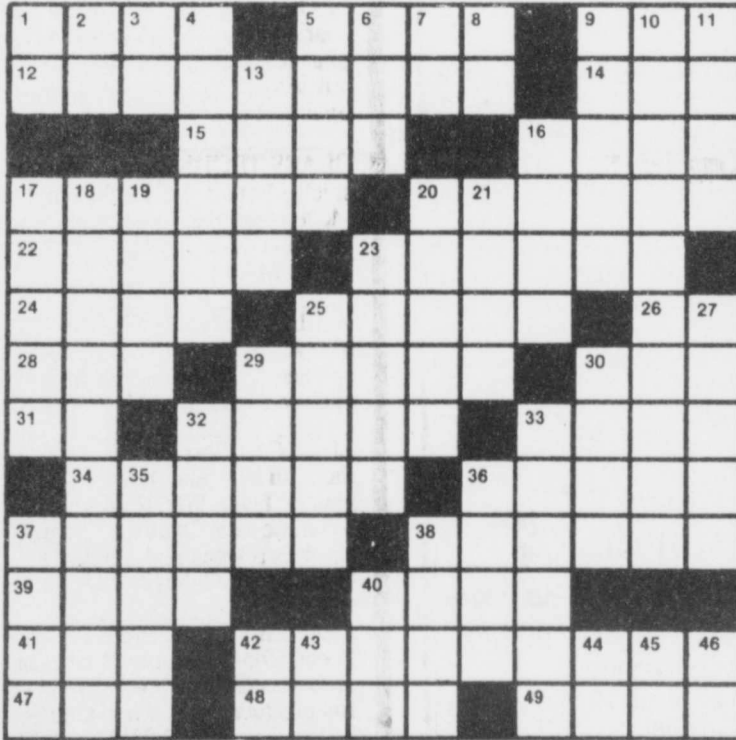
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ACROSS

- 1 Float
- 5 Street
- 9 Perform
- 12 Falling star
- 14 Greek letter
- 15 Voyage
- 16 TV opera
- 17 Smashed
- 20 Lifts
- 22 Guiding beliefs
- 23 Small person
- 24 Beneficial
- 25 Broaden
- 26 In: Sp.
- 28 Demon
- 29 Fisherman's basket
- 30 Standing room only
- 31 Nickel: sym.
- 32 Type of horse: pl.
- 33 Puerto Rican plant
- 34 Kind of ape: pl.
- 36 Cereal husks
- 37 Lessens
- 38 Farmer's association
- 39 Learning
- 40 Fluent
- 41 Uncle: Scot.

DOWN

- 1 Stan Musial: init.
- 2 Lindbergh's book
- 3 Pronoun
- 4 Way
- 5 Dry
- 6 Tear
- 7 Located
- 8 Exist
- 9 Got up
- 10 Babbling
- 11 Beats
- 13 Mineral sources
- 16 Omen
- 17 Start
- 18 Modern weapon: 2 wds.
- 19 Store
- 20 Conceals
- 21 E. Indian vine
- 23 Manners
- 25 Envelops
- 27 Loop
- 29 Arrive
- 30 Bridge
- 32 Ritual
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- 35 Rabbits
- 36 -a-brac
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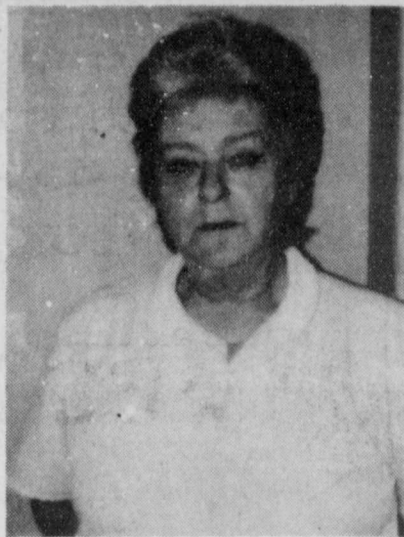
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HELEN BRUMBLOW is Associate of the Month of November at Red River Haven Nursing Home in Bogata. Mary Helel Brumbelow has been an associate since 1984. She works in the laundry. Congratulations!



JUNE CORTEZ, physical therapist has been added to the rehab team the Red River Haven. June is graduated from Southwestern University, Cebu City, Philippines. For two years she was staff therapist at Lapn Station Hospital in Camp Lapn in the Philippines and in Groesbeck, Texas for six months. She is assisted by physical therapist, Manuelyn Aizon who will soon be taking a position in Tennessee. Please help welcome these ladies to Red River Haven and the community.



SUE WHITE is Associate of the Month for the month of December at Red River Haven Nursing Home. She has been an associate since February, 1979. She is a medication aide in central hall. They are proud of her and send Congratulations!

Bogata Locals
 Call Donna At 632-5322
 To Report Your News

Dora Thompson spent the Thanksgiving weekend with her niece and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Freeman. The Freemans live at Lake Kiowanear Gainesville. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. Steve Unger and children, Bruce and Kelli, of Ft. Worth.

Coy and Dorothy Coker had long time friends Bill and Shirley Potts of Irving, visiting over the weekend.

Ora Pirtle of Perryton has returned home after visiting several days with Billie R. Pirtle and family.

Christine Baker, Edith Collins and Lucille O'Donnell had lunch and shopped in Mt. Pleasant last Wednesday.

Christine Baker visited her mother, Ruby Corbell, in the Regency Nursing center in Clarksville on Thursday.

Billie Welch of Blossom visited her sister Christine Baker of Bogata and her mother, Ruby Corbell, of

Regency Nursing Center in Clarksville.

Mrs. Jack Kenner and daughter, Kathy of Odessa and Mrs. Bill Reddell of Mineral Wells visited their aunt Mrs. Albert Legate on Saturday afternoon. They are daughters of the former Leo and Stella Ridens of Fulbright.

Mr. and Mrs. Danny Hines ate supper with her parents Saturday evening. Mrs. Hines spent the night and Mr. Hines went deer hunting.

Jessica Hines and Judy Holt ate lunch with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Gray Sunday and spent the afternoon visiting.

Lois and Ed Huddleston had visitors last week, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Hudson and family from Lewisville.

Mrs. Williams Rozell returned Tuesday from a n extended stay with her granddaughter and grandson, Anna and Kincaide Park of Sulphur Springs.

First Baptist Church Of Bogata Celebrates Prayer Week

The First Baptist Church of Bogata met for the Lottie Moon Week of Prayer program for foreign missions Wednesday, December 2.

Study leaders were Lou Ada Franklin, Maurine Mankins, Naoma Williams, Ina Ward, Mary Ann Ward and Tina Williams. Thirty-six were present and enjoyed the covered dish lunch of ethnic foods prepared by five ladies from the church. These foods were from countries being studied by the group.

During the evening Prayer Meeting Service about 30 enjoyed Jimmy Lee and Clara Gaddis leading the study of Southern Asia.

Bryan Baggett was in charge of the music for both studies and Kay Byndas decorated the Fellowship Hall in a Christmas theme.



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