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By Nanalee Nichols

I think I must have missed something. Life's highway is littered with inconsistencies, oddities and things that don't make sense. And with society's modern-day obsession with warning labels there are a lot more of those things that don't make sense or that border on the sublimely ridiculous. But this one may take the cake...not because it is so obviously over-cautious...but because it is so contradictory.

I was standing in a drugstore to be waited on and, being the compulsive reader I am, I was reading the labels on the over-the-counter medicines nearest me.

A large bottle of pinkish liquid announced that it was the generic form of a liquid Tylenol for children.

It first announced that it was cheaper than the National Brand. Then it went on to list that it was Sodium Free, Sugar Free, Aspirin Free, Good Tasting.

The box repeated several times that it was excellent for bringing down children's fevers. It repeated just how tasty it was for children, that they would enjoy taking it.

In other words this medicine is designed for children, to be given to children.

Well, I'm with them so far. But the closing line of this tribute to the contents of this box of children's medication reads: "This container not intended for homes with younger children".

Whoa...what in the world have I missed here?

This container is NOT intended for homes with younger children! Excuse me...but if this is medicine intended for children...why wouldn't they package in a manner that was intended for children?

I confess that I just do not see the logic in this.

I also confess that in a world of disclaimers, over-protective labels, and warnings this seems a glaring error.

As I said...I think I must have missed something. I suppose it's just one more of those irrational markers alongside the highway of life!

Life Tabernacle Schedules Two Christmas Events

The Life Tabernacle Church in Cunningham has scheduled two Christmas events.

On December 19 at 6:00 p.m. they will have "Christmas by Candle" at the church. Everyone is invited to attend.

On December 22 at 6:30 p.m. there will be a Christmas Party and Salad Supper with entertainment during the meal. Everyone is invited to bring a salad and come enjoy the evening.

Holiday Schedule For School Tax Office Announced

According to Talco Bogata CISD tax collector, Kay Ross, the Tax Office will be closed December 20-29. It will be open the 30th and 31st from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. The regular schedule will start again when school resumes on January 3rd.

JV CHEERLEADERS ATTEND COMPETITION- Rivercrest High School Junior Varsity Cheerleaders - Amber Spencer, Marla Williams, Tabitha Jones, Kelly Anderson, and Jana Weatherall recently attended competition in Dallas. (Photo by Judy Screws)

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Quickie Superette Robbed Saturday

Quickie Superette in Depor was the victim of a robbery Saturday, but fast action on the part of several people resulted in the arrest of three men. Debbie Matthews was in the store alone, when the three men came in. They attempted to distract her and she thought that she saw one man duck under the counter but wasn't certain.

When they paid for their food and left, Matthews asked customers Jerry Loven and Melvin Stephens to get

the license number and description of the vehicle. She then discovered that the change bag, containing about \$300 was gone and called authorities. Video tape at the store has also been recorded and is being used as evidence.

The men had been in the store earlier that day, store manager Kelly Thomas reported.

Lamar County Sheriff's deputies apprehended the men near Pattonville Park on Hwy. 271 and took them into

custody.

At least two of the men have been arrested before and one of the suspects has a criminal history which, when printed out by computer, measured over 33 feet long.

Charges such as attempted murder of a police officer, attempted murder and armed robbery bring home the fact that it was very fortunate that no violence occurred during the convenience store robbery.

Talco-Bogata C.I.S.D. Holds Open Forum

The Talco-Bogata C.I.S.D. met in regular session Thursday, December 9 at Rivercrest High School. All members of the board were present. Others present were B.G. and Nancy Bowden, Richard Garrison, John Ragsdill, Michael and Cheryl Stinson, Jimmy Lee, Ray Miller, Johnny Gable, Janice Franks and Freddy Wade.

Board President Jerry Russell gave those present an opportunity to speak in open forum. The Board then approved unanimously the items of consensus agenda.

Guest Richard Garrison spoke for the Rosalie Community Club and requested the board deed the Rosalie School property to the Rosalie Community so the community could build a permanent structure on the property. The Board asked the superintendent to work with the Rosalie Community and pursue the proper course of action to enable the community to assume ownership of the property if such transfer is allowed by law.

The Board went in Executive Session to hear an appeal concerning parental supervision. Following the Executive Sessions, the Board heard reports by the Superintendent on the cost of bus maintenance and the legality of school sponsored raffles.

The Superintendent related to the Board that student organizations are prohibited from conducting raffles according to Attorney General Op. 217-1776 (1990). Parent Teacher groups or other organizations may do so if they have obtained an exemption from federal income tax from the IRS.

The 1993 Tax Roll was adopted by the Board prior to entering into a cost cutting study concerning reduction in force. The trustees selected the following areas for the Superintendent to do a feasibility study on personnel cuts in the areas of Counseling program, coaching staff, support services and elementary grades when total enrollment of a grade level doesn't necessitate a second teacher. The superintendent is also to provide the board a dollar figure on the cost reduction if the seventh and eighth grades were combined at Talco or Rivercrest High School.

The Board accepted the resignation of Cheri Tubb, third grade teacher at Bogata Elementary. Ms. Tubb has accepted a position with the Sulphur Springs ISD.

The Trustees then went into Executive Session for the purpose of evaluating the Superintendent. They returned to the open session and adjourned at 11:35 p.m.



UNSELFISH CHILDREN- Mrs. Strawn's and Mrs. Scott's fifth grade classes at Bogata Elementary School decided to forego their exchange of gifts

with each other and buy gifts for the Red River Haven Christmas Store. This is a picture of the students, Mrs. Scott, Mrs.

Strawn, and Mrs. Mauldin, Nursing Home Activity Director. (Photo by Judy Screws)

Bogata City Council Meets For Regular Meeting

The Bogata City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Mildred Eudy at 5 o'clock Monday December 13. Buck Ramsey gave the invocation.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The paying of bills was approved.

Roy Henderson addressed the council about a problem with his water line caused by a contractor. The situation will be discussed later.

There was no old business. In the new business, an auditor's report was read. The council decided to give the city employees Christmas Bonuses. An ad in the paper for a Christmas greeting was approved. Supporting

the Green Carpet resolution was discussed. Changing the city limits at the request of a citizen was discussed. No action was taken. Reports were read by the advisory board. Getting more of the unsightly and hazardous property was discussed. A problem with residents not having their water hooked up was discussed at length. It was deduced that if families move into houses, have their lights and gas hooked up, and don't have their water hooked up, it needs to be investigated. Wyatt Bush and staff will be checking on this before the next meeting.

When the subject of fire equipment was discussed, the council

decided to take money out of the fire department fund and buy needed equipment. Then when a CD turns over, the money will be put back in the fund. Items to be purchased are Bunker gear \$165.00, 10 attack coats 1650.00, 10 attack pants \$1100.00, 10 Boots \$550.00, Air Tanks, 4 Aluminum cylinders \$1196., Electric smoke ejector, 16" p1645 ejector 385.00, 2 Pal III systems 203.00. Pike Poles will be paid for by the VFD. The meeting was adjourned. (Editor's note: We have a note from the VFD thanking the council for their generosity, and asking residents to consider donating to the bill)



Booster Club Fund Raiser Successful

The Rivercrest Booster Club held a fund raiser with the winner of half a beef being Lucille Beakley.

The award was made December 4th at the Rivercrest Basketball Tournament.

Bogata Ball Association Gets Refrigerator

For the last month or two, we've been running an item in our People and Things column asking for the donation of a refrigerator or contributions to the Bogata Ball Association so that they could buy a refrigerator for their concession stand at the ball park. This past week Brother Bob Bush, pastor of the Bogata First

United Methodist Church notified the association that the parsonage would be getting a new refrigerator and that they would like to donate the used one to the Ball Teams.

The exchange was made and the Bogata Ball Association is very grateful because of all the money it will save them during the ball season.

First Baptist Bogata Plans Mother's Day Out

First Baptist Church of Bogata is organizing a Mother's Day Out program with the beginning date set for Tuesday, January 4th. Mother's Day out is a service provided by First Baptist to the community to provide parents with the opportunity to spend the day apart from their children yet knowing they are in a safe, secure environment.

Mother's Day Out is scheduled for every Tuesday, beginning the first Tuesday in January. The hours of service will be 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the Sunday School rooms and Fellowship hall of the First Baptist Church. This service is provided to all preschool age children (6 months-5 years) at a cost of \$9 per child per

day (\$8 per day for members of First Baptist). A second child may be left for \$6 per day, and a third for \$4. A one-time pre-registration fee of \$5 is required to help offset the cost of the program, as well as provide Mother's Day Out workers with an idea of how many children to prepare for. The pre-registration fee can be paid in the church office Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m. anytime before January 4th or on Tuesday, January 4th if necessary.

All children must bring a sack lunch with them, but snacks will be provided. Any questions may be directed to Frances Lee (632-5013) or the church office 632-5218.

Bogata Baseball And Softball Association Has Turkey Shoot

There will be a Turkey Shoot Sunday December 19 starting at 1:00 p.m. at the Bill Ward place on Rabbit Lane just off FM 909. All proceeds will go to the Bogata Baseball and Softball Association.

Turkey winners last Sunday were David Rozell, Charles Don Lewis, Ray Lou Damron, and Brandon Bell. All names of winners were not

known, so if you won a turkey and were not mentioned, please let us know and it will be placed in next week's paper.

Turkeys can be picked up from Barry Hanna.

Thanks to all participants for making our turkey shoot a big success so far.

Rivercrest Classic Scheduled For Friday and Saturday Nights

The Rivercrest Gymnasium will finally be ready. The new bleachers are in place and a full house is expected Friday and Saturday nights when the Rebels host the Rivercrest Classic.

Games Scheduled are:
Friday 4:00 P.M. Rivercrest JV vs Pleasant Grove.

Friday 6:00 P.M. Paris High vs Pleasant Grove.

Friday 7:30 P.M. Rivercrest Varsity vs Arkansas High.

Saturday 4:00 P.M. RHS JV vs Pleasant Grove.

Saturday 6:00 P.M. Paris High vs Arkansas High.

Saturday 7:30 P.M. RHS vs Pleasant Grove.

Coach Wake Wood commented, "The Classic we are having is not a tournament. These are just matched games between some classic teams. These games should be great ball games. All four teams are highly rated teams. I hope everyone will come out and support our basketball program. I know you will enjoy the games."

Bogata V.F.W. News

Tuesday at 7:30 is pool night, Thursday at 7:00 is "42" night and every Saturday at 1:30 is Bingo playing time.

The VFW and it's Auxiliary meet every 2nd and 4th Monday at 7 p.m. All members are urged to attend. Nursing Home bingo is 4th Tuesday

The Christmas dance is December

18, at 8 p.m.. Buck Knight's Band will provide dance music. Anyone over 21 is welcome to attend. Come on out and enjoy a hometown band and visit with friends. Admission is \$3.00 per person.

Helen Barnett suffered a heart attack and was in St. Joseph's Hospital. She is home now and we all wish her a speedy recovery.

Obituaries



Country Cooking

By Judy Screws

I had not met Lillian Taylor until she came into the office one day to put an ad in the paper for her Stanley Products. I'm glad I did get to meet her. Anyone who knows Lillian, knows that she is bubbly and smiling most of the time. A person could make the mistake on first impression of thinking she is a little scatterbrained. Not so. She is friendly and enthusiastic about things, but she knows exactly what she is doing at all times and she wants things to be done right.

Lillian was secretary to the principal at Rivercrest High School for 24 years. She has retired now, but has not lost interest in the welfare of the school and the children. The Taylors (Pete and Lillian) both retired from the school. He was an agriculture teacher until his retirement. The Taylor's daughter, Misty, is a senior at Rivercrest. Their other daughter, Sherrie and her husband Alan, have two children, Shannon and Allison, son, Larry and his wife, Gail, have three children, Lance, Lindsey, and Logan. Lillian says that her family is pretty much her hobby. She enjoys nothing quite so much as being with her husband, kids, and grandkids.

When I asked Lillian if I could feature her in this column, and talked her into saying "yes", we decided that a picture with her Christmas Tree

would be good since she puts quite a bit of work into Christmas decorating. Of course, my photos are hit or miss, but if the Christmas tree doesn't show up to be breathtaking, it should. The tree is done entirely in mauve colored ornaments and shiny ribbons and bows. The mauve color scheme is carried out in all of the decorations in the house. Lillian said she had intended to use only one color of Christmas gift wrap, but she found more that she liked, so now she has gifts wrapped in 3 different colors of paper, but they match perfectly as well as matching the decorations on the tree and the rest of the house.

The Taylors have an official greeter. A taffy colored, perfectly groomed cocker spaniel, named Miss Snuggles, enthusiastically meets folks entering the house. She is 10 years old and thinks she is a kid.

Although Lillian is retired, she is still a busy lady. She sells Stanley Products and helps out at Boyd's Travel Agency, in Paris. She says that sweets are her favorite thing to cook. Son, Larry and Son in law, Alan love her coconut pie. She served me cheese ball and crackers and fruitcake. The cheese ball is wonderful, and I practically inhaled the fruitcake. Lillian's other recipes are Potato Casserole, Magic Pumpkin Pie, and Wassail.

Arthur L. Smith Dies December 12

Arthur L. Smith, 85, of DePort died Sunday, December 12 at St. Joseph's Hospital and Health Center. Services were held at 3 p.m. Tuesday, December 14 at Wood Funeral Home Chapel in DePort with burial in Highland Cemetery.

Mr. Smith was born May 26, 1908 in Lamar County, a son of Charley Taylor and Bessie Pomroy Smith. He married Nannie Walker October 14, 1933, in Hugo, OK. He was a retired farmer and rancher.

Surviving are his wife of 60 years, Nannie; his nieces and nephews, Melba Bestul of Reno, Alva Seat of Chicota, Joe Lee Davidson, Charles Davidson and Jackie Davidson, all of DePort; Harold Davidson of Paris, Judy Booth, Linda Hines and Laura Miller, all of Blossom, and LaJuan Newman of Irving; two brothers, Floyd Smith of Garland and Clyde Smith of Carlsbad, NM; and a sister, Aleen Thraughtner of California.

Juandell Cochran Dies December 9

Juandell Cochran, 57, died Thursday, December 9 in DePort Nursing Home.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Sunday, December 12 in Fry and Gibbs Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Bill Draper officiating. Burial followed in Woodland Cemetery in Red River County.

Mrs. Cochran was born November 18, 1936 in Woodland, a daughter of Andrew Grady and Thelma Pauline Meredith Gibson. She attended Detroit schools and was a Baptist. She married Charles J. Cochran on June 12, 1987. He died June 6, 1988.

Surviving are a son, Kenneth Lee Mitchell of Monroe, Michigan; two daughters, Paula Faye Ross of Paris and Anita Sue Hoffman of Pattonville; five grandchildren; three brothers, Fred Gibson and Tex Gibson, both of Paris and Jack Gibson of Gilmer.

Bearers were Gene Brothers, Shane Rose, Mark Vickers, Jimmy Schwartz, Wayne Buford and Bennett Broadway.

Mittie Ashford Dies December 8

Mittie E. Ashford, 87, of Carthage, formerly of DePort, died Wednesday, December 8 at Willis-Knighton Medical Center, Shreveport, LA.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Saturday, December 11 in Wood Funeral Home Chapel with burial in Highland Cemetery under the direction of Wood Funeral Home of DePort and J. Emerson Funeral Home of Carthage.

Mrs. Ashford was born August 12, 1906 in DePort to John and Mittie Susan Keys Whitney. She retired from Frito-Lay Co. and was a member of the Ebenezer United Methodist Church. She married Clarence E. Ashford in October, 1928. He died March 16, 1986. She had lived in Carthage for six years, moving there from Troy.

Surviving are a daughter, Claudine Holder of Carthage; two sons, Perry Ashford of Mesquite and Kelly Ashford of Powder Springs, GA; six grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Morris H. Brumley Dies December 9

Morris H. Brumley, 68, died December 9.

Services were held Saturday, December 11 at 10 a.m. at David Clayton & Sons Chapel in Duncanville with Rev. Billy H. Combest officiating. Interment followed in Little Beth Cemetery in Duncanville.

Mr. Brumley was born January 6, 1965 in Red River County. He was a World War II veteran and a retired Dallas Police officer with 27 years of service. He was named Patrolman of the Year in 1953.

Survivors include his wife, Faye M. Brumley; sons, Clay and Sherry Brumley, Mark and Debbie Brumley; grandchildren a brother, Kenneth Brumley; sisters Chloe Hamm, Thelma Nusehke and Joy Hesck and many other relatives.

Country Cook- Lillian Taylor, of Bogata is the featured cook in this week. (Photo by Judy Screws)

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—M. H. Alderson

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Lillian's Cheese Ball
 by Lillian Taylor

- 1 lb. box Velveta Cheese
- 1 large pkg. Philadelphia Cream Cheese
- 1 jar jalapeno Cheese Whiz (small)
- 1/2 t. garlic powder
- 1 T. Worcestershire sauce
- 1 c pecans chopped (reserve 1/2 c. to roll ball in)

Let all cheese set at room temperature for 3 or 4 hours. Mix all ingredients and roll into a ball. Roll in balance of chopped pecans. Serve with crackers or chips.

Magic Pumpkin Pie

- 1 unbaked pie crust
- 1 (16 oz.) can pumpkin
- 1 (14 oz.) can Eagle Brand Milk
- 2 eggs
- 1 tsp. pumpkin pie spice
- 1/2 tsp. salt

Preheat oven to 375 degrees. In a large bowl combine filling ingredients. Mix well and turn into pie crust. Bake for 30 minutes.

Coconut Pie

- 1 cup sugar
- 3 Tbsp cornstarch
- 3 egg yolks stirred in cup with enough canned milk added to make 1/2 cup
- 1/2 cups sweet milk
- 2 Tbsp margarine

Cook in microwave 2 minutes. stir, cook 2 minutes, stir, cook 1 1/2 to 2 minutes until thick. Add 1 Tbsp vanilla and 1 cup coconut. Stir and pour into cooked pie shell. For meringue, beat 3 egg whites until stiff, add dash of cream of tartar, 3 tsp sugar, and 1 tsp vanilla. Brown in 300 degree oven.

Potato Caserole

- 2 lb frozen hashbrowns
- 1/4 to 1/2 cup chopped onion
- 1 cup margarine (2 sticks)
- 1/2 pints sour cream (8 Oz)
- 8 oz jar cheese whiz
- 1 can cream of chicken or cream of celery soup
- corn flakes

Mix potatoes and onion and spread in bottom of large casserole dish. Melt one stick of margarine, add salt and pepper, and pour over potatoes. Mix together cheese whiz, sour cream, and undiluted soup and pour over potatoes. (Melt in microwave for smoother consistency) Melt other stick of margarine and mix with enough cornflakes until all margarine is absorbed. Spread over potatoes. Bake 1 hr. at 350 deg

Melt In Your Mouth Fruitcake.

- 1 lb. candied pineapple
- 1 lb. candied cherries
- 1 lb chopped dates
- 1 lb pecans
- 1 lb angel flake coconut
- 1/2 cup flour
- 3 1/2 cans Eagle Brand Milk

Cut fruit in half. Mix with 1/2 cup flour. Add all other ingredients. I mix by hand. Bake at 300 degrees for 1 1/2 to 3/4 hrs, in 3 loaf pans sized 7 7/8 inches X 3 7/8 inches.

Wassail

- 4 cups pineapple juice
- 1 1/2 cups apricot nectar
- 4 cups apple cider-1 cup orange juice
- 1/2 cup bottled lemon juice-1/2 cup sugar
- 2 sticks cinnamon-2 Tbsp whole cloves
- 1/2 cup red hot

Put cinnamon, cloves, and red hot in basket. Put other ingredients in 24 cup percolator. Perk Serve hot.

"Whoso putteth his trust in the Lord shall besafe."
Proverbs 29:25b

Card of Thanks

Thanks to everyone who donated time and food items to make the Detroit Tournament a success. We appreciate the continued support of the community.

Detroit Booster Club

Card of Thanks

We want to say thanks to all of our family, our friends and our loved ones for such a beautiful 65th wedding anniversary party. Thanks for the calls, cards, gifts and for beign with us on such a special day.

God bless you all.

Odin and Marie Watson

Fulbright News

By Betty Rodgers
652-6051

Mrs. Ethel Epps visited her son and family, Charles Epps Sunday in Rosalie.

Mrs. Jimmie King attended a regular O.E.S. meeting at the Masonic Hall in DePort Tuesday night. A covered dish supper was served at 6:00 p.m. and Christmas program was enjoyed by all.

Twyman Baker is seriously ill in Clarksville General Hospital.

Jimmie King had the Good Neighbor Christmas party at her home Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Arriaga and Betty Rodgers were in Dallas and Boyd during the weekend visiting his parents and Mrs. Bernice Thomas.

Eithel Epps and Jimmie King went to Bogata Thursday night for a covered dish dinner and played 84 in the home of Willie Mae Gray.

Betty Rodgers and Marlene Bolin met Mr. and Mrs. Dee Newberry in Paris Saturday for a visit.

Karen Baker came in for the weekend to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Worth Baker.

Mr. and Mrs. Duane King of Paris had supper with Mrs. Jimmie King Saturday.

The community had their Christmas Party Monday night at the center. There were 27 attending and everyone enjoyed the meal and fellowship and gifts. The young people presented the program while Mr. and Mrs. Mel Beatty and Kay Peek instructed them.

New families in the area recognized were Mr. and Mrs. Guthrey and children, Mr. and Mrs. Mel Beatty and children and Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence and family. We appreciate them.

Card of Thanks

Thank you so much for all the acts of kindness shown to us in the loss of our home. Thank you Bogata and Detroit Fire Department for assistance rendered. May God bless each and everyone of your for your kindness.

Dale & Pam Sulsar

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Mr. and Mrs. Almer Norwood,
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*Mr. and Mrs. Norwood To
Celebrate 65th Anniversary*

Almer and Alma Norwood will celebrate their 65th wedding anniversary with a reception on Sunday, December 19 from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Life Tabernacle Church in Cunningham. Hosting the reception are Mrs. Gene Norwood, Mr. and Mrs. Darold Norwood, Mr. and Mrs. James Norwood, Mr. and Mrs. Canard Norwood, Mr. and Mrs. Talma

Norwood, Mr. and Mrs. Danny Norwood and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Nichols. Almer and Alma Norwood were married December 24, 1928 in Pattonville, Texas. Friends and relatives of the couple are invited to attend. The couple requests no gifts, please.



Attend The Church of Your Choice
This Sunday

Red River Haven News

Visiting with Donovan Strain were Tina Strain Feagill, Jeannie Strain Johnson, James and Sarah Strain, Inez Gill, Betty Gibson, George and Charline Mohr.

Oma McKinney's visitors were Odella Cheatwood, Mary Ellen Kain, and Junior McKinney.

Visiting with Ada Holmes were Kenneth and Helen Holmes.

Beulah Roddam's visitors were Betty Harper, Colin Harper, and Charles Pratt.

Visiting with Bertha Anderson were O.V. Head, Ardis Head, C.L. Smart, Naomi Dingman, J.C. and Hattie Abernathy.

Maude Legate's visitors were Jo Gordon, Robbie Cooper, Rosalie Legate, and Dawn Oats.

Dollie Carroll's visitors were Laura Cochran, Randy, Missy, Stephanie, and Nathan Carroll, and Lynn and Brenda Carroll.

Visiting with Clyde and Ardena Roberts were Inez Montgomery, Carmen Roberts, and Katie Brown.

Eunie Turner's visitors were Lorene Bogie, Nell Harville, Stephen and Carmen Turner, Seb and Maurine Mankins, and Martha Wood.

Visiting with Bea Askins was Lee Hood.

Irene House's visitors were Mary Ellen Kain, and Raymon Mauldin.

Visiting with Ruth Harrison were Roger and Rachel Elson.

Jim and Thelma Davis were visited by Jerry and Dorothy Jones, Allie Swafford, and Harold Bonham.

Visiting with Thelma Jones were Jerry and Dorothy Jones and Harold Bonham.

Visiting with Hobert Roberts was Carmen Roberts.

Allie Black's visitors were Wanza Sheffield, Lillian Williams, Bob and Sue Wright, Nolan and Janie Belcher, Doris Baker, and Frances Sheffield.

Visiting with Ann Walker was Doris Strain.

Mary Hudson's visitors were Mary Cooper, Doris Skaggs, Lois McRae, and Mary Colflesh.

Jimmie Duffie's visitors were Dorothy Foster, Roy and Shirley Potter, and Katie Brown.

Visiting with Delbert and Julia Harper were Charles and Barbara Harper and Katie Brown.

Clara Lowe's visitors were Jessica Hines, Gerlyn Gray, and Willie Mae Gray.

Visiting with Essie Cole and Lillie Massey were Jo Gordon, Inez Gill, Tana Guest, and Linda Embrey.

Juanita Kelley's visitors were Lillian and Kathy, Arthur and Nell, Marie Crafts, and Johnnie Crane.

Gladys Prater was visited by Leonard Prater.

Visiting with Alice Craig was Inez Gill.

Mae King's visitors were Liz Legate, Mary Cooper, Lois McRae, and Era Smelser.

Visiting with Jewel Summers was Dude Lassiter.

Annie Garen's and Annie Hare's visitor was Louise Bean.

Visiting with Lantie Smith were Lorene Bogie, Weldon and Joyce Smith and Lacy and Kacy Harper.

Mack Glover was visited by Weldon Smith.

Hattie Crabtree's visitor was Gwendolyn Bowen.

Lynn Kerley's visitors were Kathy and Mandy Alford, Nikkie Hammonds, David Stringer Jr., Susie Bryan, and Opal and Arol Kerley.

Visiting with Georgia Easterling were Pat Kelley, Inez Gell, Minerva Gentry, Jewel Joyce, Lank Easterling, Chris, Billy, and Martha Walls.

Hazel Brown's visitors were Marie Crafts, Lillian Cannon, Cowboy Denny, and Nina Stewart.

Visiting with Ollie Lee were Jo Ann Morsman, Betty Mullen, and Carl Wood.

Tact is the art of making a point without making an enemy.
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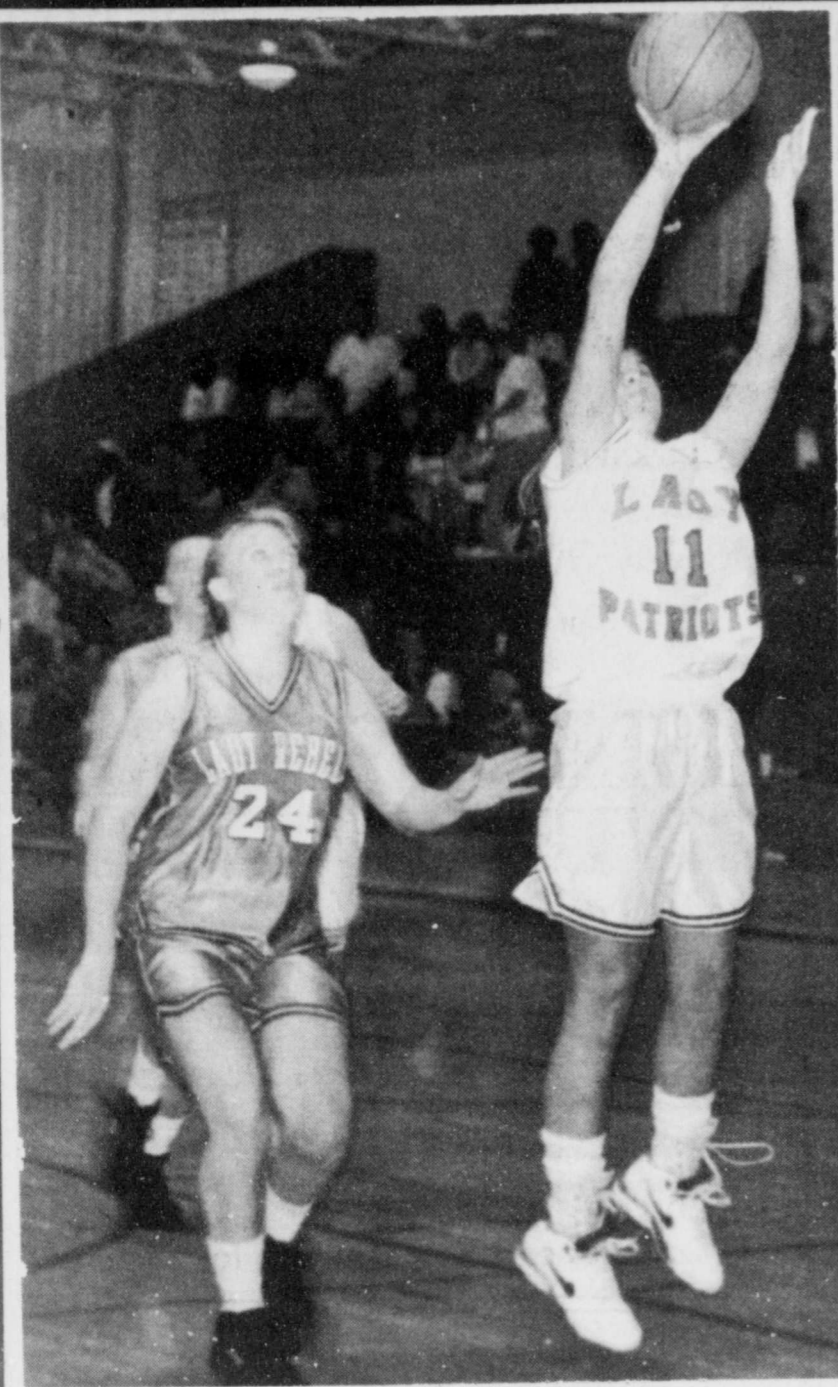
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LADY REBEL Michelle Giles puts pressure on a Lady Patriot, Trinity Bowden in basketball action last weekend at

the Prairiland Tournament. The Rebels lost 56-32 but fought hard. (Staff Photo by Tony Bowden)

Rivercrest Rebels Win Prairiland Tourney

The Rivercrest Rebels showed everyone that they are a tough team to beat as they beat each team entered in the Prairiland invitational tournament this past week end. The Rebels entered the tournament at 4-5, but with three straight impressive victories raised their record to 7-5. Rivercrest losses have been; twice to Mt. Pleasant, a 4 AAAA school and still undefeated, Bradley, Arkansas, the number one class A school in Arkansas and undefeated Hooks by 1 point and undefeated and finally to pleasant Grove which has 1 loss.

Tourney Results: Rivercrest 65-Prairiland 42. The Rivercrest Rebels started off slowly and led only 24-20 at the half against Prairiland, but a strong third quarter put the game out of Prairiland's reach the Rebels employed a tough half court man to man defense and stopped Prairiland's offense cold. Eddie Williams led the Rebs in scoring with 27 points. The second game of the Prairiland Tourney matched Rivercrest against class AAAA N. Lamar. Despite N. Lamar towering players the Rebels were able to maintain control throughout the game. Forward Clay Pirtle hit clutch baskets the second half to spark the Rebels to a big win over a 4-A school. Leading scorers for the Rebels were, Eddie Williams 22 points, 15 points each for Clay Pirtle and Jerry Francis. Freshman guard Jeff Savage turned in a great floor game with 5 assists and great defense. Players, Andy Speir, Andre Morgan, Jeremy Weatherall, and Shannon Richeson all turned in good performances.

Finals- Rivercrest 78 Grant, Oklahoma 68. The Rebels blitzed a strong and highly rated Grant, Oklahoma team Saturday night in the finals of the Prairiland Invitational Tourney. Coach Wood commented, " We

surprised Grant, I think. They underestimated us and before they could regroup, they were beaten. We got off to a great start, almost too good, and this really helped up confidence. Being ahead 36-18 at the half was almost too much of a lead and we let up a little the second half. Eddie Williams' three fouls at half time held back his game and hurt our defense. Eddie had to play easier on defense, but our other players took up the slack. I thought this was our best offensive game overall for the year."

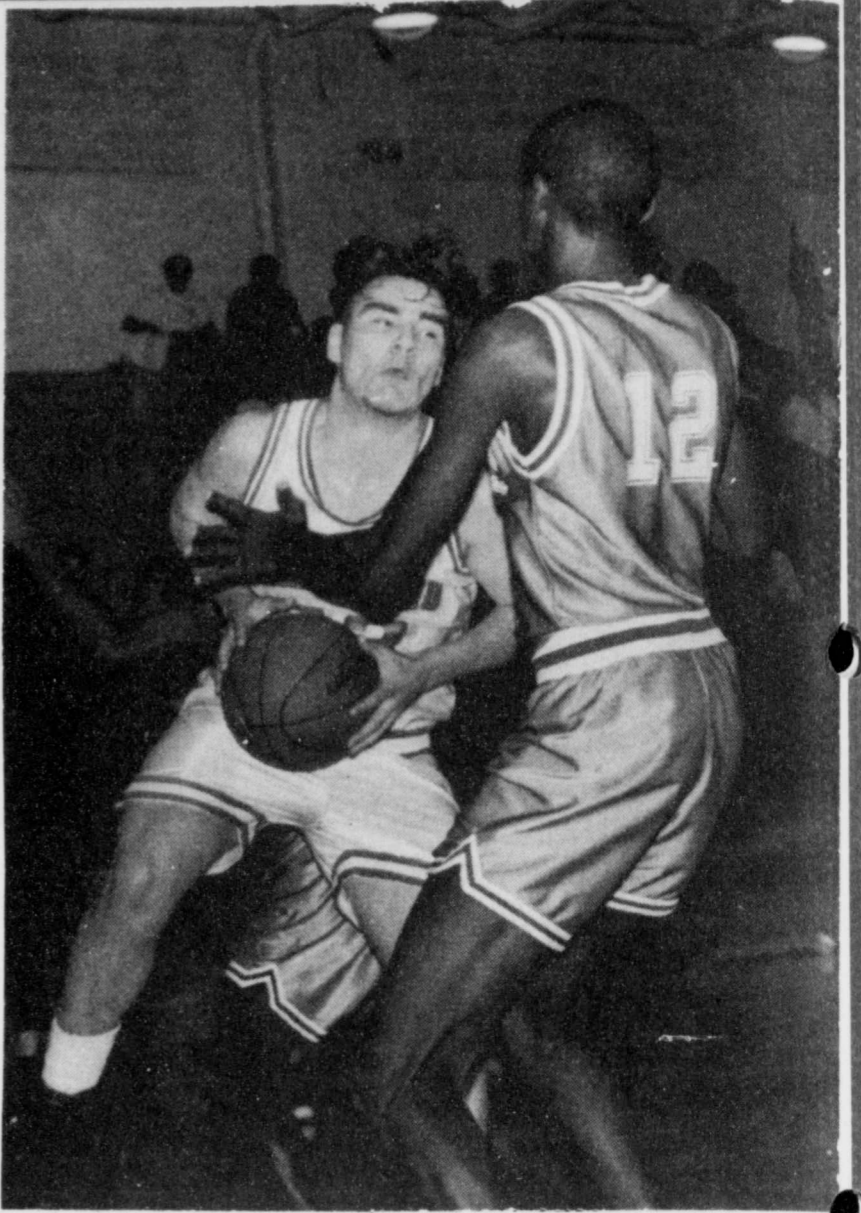
Freshman guard Jeff Savage got the Rebels going early as he hit a 3 pointer and a driving lay-up to give the Rebels a quick 5-0 lead, which they never gave up. Jerry Francis lead all scorers setting a career high 29 points. Francis had his 29 points hitting on 11 of 14 field goal attempts and 6 of 6 from the free throw line. Francis left the game with 4 minutes left with his 5th foul.

Eddie Williams turned in another stellar performance as he came away with 12 blocked shots, 11 rebounds, 7 assists and made 11 of 13 free shots.

Other Rebels turning in great performances were Shannon Richeson, 3 of 4 from the free throw line and good defense, Andre Morgan (Freshman) good quick defense and aggressive play, Andy Speir 2 of 2 field goal shooting, Jeremy Weatherall good rebounding defense, Clay Pirtle 8 points, 4 defensive rebounds and a good game overall.

"The Rebels just played a great game. To the people that like good basketball, you have just got to come watch the Rebels. They will entertain you," Coach Wood exclaimed.

The Rebels will play their first game in Rivercrest High School Gym Friday night as they host the Rivercrest Classic.



RIVERCREST Rebel Eddie Williams puts the stop on Patriot Brock Blasingame in Basketball action last weekend at

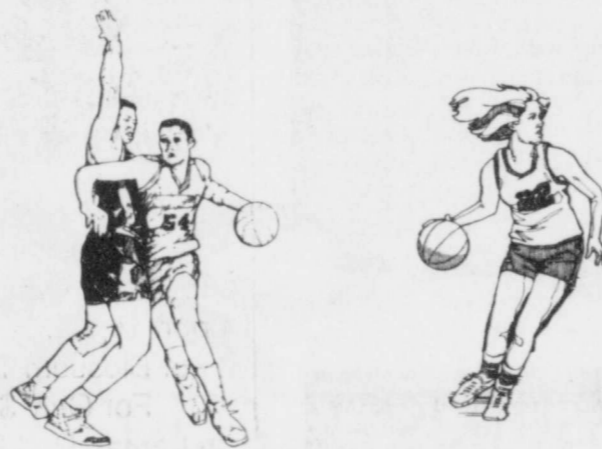
the Prairiland Tournament. The Rebels took a hefty 65-42 win over the Patriots. (Staff Photo by Tony Bowden)

Rivercrest Junior Varsity Cheerleaders Attend Competition

Rivercrest Juniors High Cheerleaders attending a Cheerleader competition at Reunion Arena in Dallas, Saturday, December 11 were; Amber Spencer, Marla Williams, Tabitha Jones, Kelly Anderson, Lindy Penn, and Jana Weatherall.

The girls competed against 14 other Junior Varsity Squads. They received an Excellent Ribbon for their performance. There were 100 schools

there to compete. The first place winners in each division got to perform at half-time of the Dallas Mavericks VS. Phoenix Suns game. The girls did a great job and learned a lot from watching the larger schools perform. The girls enjoyed staying and watching the Mavericks and Suns play and enjoyed going to Dallas West End.



Rebel 9th and JV Play Basketball

The Rebel 9th grade and JV traveled to Sulphur Springs Thursday Dec. 9 to begin tournament play. The 9th grade team was defeated by Sulphur Springs after a close game. The JV were defeated by the Paris JV with a score of 60-36. JV high point men were Jay Hancock and Alvin Savage. The teams returned on Friday to meet Liberty Eyleau. The 9th grade chased the L.E. team throughout the game. Half time score was 15-24 L.E. The Rebs shots did not fall in and turnovers were hard to overcome. Final 38-46, L.E. high.

Scorers for the team were Eric Martin and Mitch Ellis. Also scoring

were Todd Barker, Clint Gage and Justin Smith.

The JV team shaved by the L.E. Team posting a half time score of 16-14 Rebels. Post Jay Hancock and Eric Waller came through for the team repeatedly scoring from under the goal. Final, 39-32 Rebels.

The JV returned Saturday at 2:00 p.m. to play the Clarksville JV. The Rebels struggled to stay within reach of the Tigers but were unable to pull another win 'out. Final 58-47, Clarksville. Scoring for the Rebels were Jack Brown, Eric Waller, Alvin Savage, Steven Thomas and Dru Denison.

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Haven Nursing Home took prizes at Bogata and Talco

Christmas parades. (Staff Photo)



TALCO-BOGATA JR. HIGH CHERLEADERS- Placing second in the motorized divi-

sion of the Bogata Christmas Parade were these young ladies.

A sleigh full of Christmas Cheer.(Staff Photo)



FIRST AND SECOND PLACE WINNER- Winning first place

at Bogata and second place in the Talco parade float division

was Sophomore Queen Crystal Bell.(Staff Photo)

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Slated meeting of the Rosalie Masonic Lodge 527 is the 4th Thursday of every month at 7:30 p.m.

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

The Texas Dept. of Health will hold Immunization Clinics on the first, second, and third Thursday of each month. Hours are from 9-11:30 am and 1:00 - 2:30 pm. The clinics will be conducted at 1300 Highway 37 north in Clarksville. Parents are reminded that all children must be accompanied by an adult and bring the child's immunization records and Social Security Number if it is available.

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FRESHMAN QUEEN WINS- Winning first place in the Talco Christmas parade car division was Rivercrest Freshman queen Amber Spencer. (Staff Photo)



FIRST AT BOGATA AND SECOND AT TALCO- Jamie Primm, representing Rivercrest's Junior Class, is an Angel from Above, in the Christmas Parade. (Staff Photo)



WINNERS-1st place in the Talco Parade motorized division were Talco 6th grade princess and Prince Ryan Case and Ashlei Moles, "Dallas Cowboy Christmas" (Staff Photo)



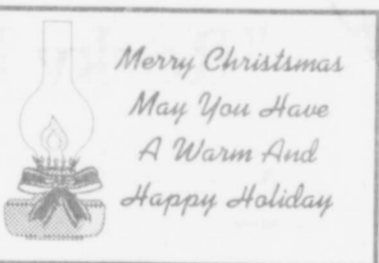
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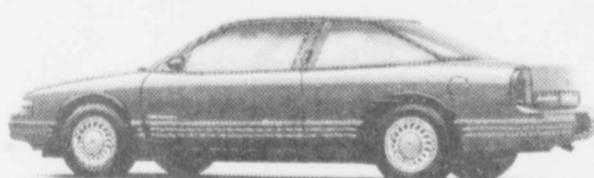
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Red River County Sheriff's Report

Dec. 5-11

December 5: One male arrested for driving while intoxicated, second offense.

Two inmates released on bond. One transported from the City. Major accident reported. Report of suspicious activity. One male arrested on charge of terroristic threat.

Report of disturbance in Annona. December 6: Inmate released on bond.

Theft reported, Annona. One transported from City and released on bond.

One arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated, driving while license suspended and seat belt violation.

Inmate released on bond. December 7: Disturbance reported, Bogata area.

One transported from the City. Road Hazard, Hwy. 37 North. Illegal hunting, Boxelder. Suspicious vehicle reported, FM 412.

One male arrested on charges of hunting from a public roadway and hunting game animal with aid of artificial light.

One male arrested on charge of hunting from a public roadway and hunting with the aid of an artificial light.

Suspicious vehicle reported on Hwy. 82 west.

December 8: Suspicious vehicle reported.

Two inmates released on two bonds each.

Suspicious activity reported. December 9: Animal complaint reported, Bogata area.

Burglary of building reported, Clarksville area. Report of intoxicated driver. Report of illegal hunting. Report of a man with a gun, Nuway area.

One male arrested on charges of disorderly conduct, public intoxication and resisting arrest.

Report of shooting from roadway. December 10: Inmate released on bond.

One transported from City to County Jail.

Received information from Police Department referring to stolen vehicle.

One arrested on charge of driving while intoxicated, second offense. Report of night hunters on Lanes Chapel Road.

Terroristic threat reported, Avery area.

December 11: Inmate released on bond.

Inmate released to report to Judge Holley's office to pay fines.

One male arrested on charge of game violations and evading arrest making alcoholic beverage available to a minor.

Animal complaint, Bagwell area. Report of prank calls.

One female arrested on outstanding DPS warrants.

Inmate released after paying fines.

Report of hit and run, Bogata area.

Major accident reported, 37 South.



TALCO BOGATA JV CHEERLEADERS-Placing third in the motorized division of the Bogata Christmas Parade were these talented young ladies. A Box of Christmas Cheer. (Staff Photo)

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Lady Rebels Host Mt. Pleasant

The Lady Rebels hosted t. Pleasant Lady Tigers Tuesday, Dec. 7. The half ended with the Lady Rebs slightly behind 21-24. Kathy Hinsly, who was injured earlier in the season, was able to see some action for the Lady Rebs. The third quarter saw the Lady Rebs creep back by one point, 35-39 Lady Tigers, but the fourth quarter exploded the game. LaQuitta Norman netted

12 points, and made the final shot that put the Lady Rebs on top. Final was 54-52, Lady Rebs. The Lady Rebs provided one of the most exciting games of the season with this win. Scoring was led by LaQuitta Norman, also scoring were Michelle Giles, Jana Weatherall, Heather Holland and Ashley Ross.

Bogata Baptist WMU Presents Program

On Monday, Dec. 13 at 10:00 am. Baptist WMU ladies presented a program at the Bogata Nursing Home. 31 attended.

Emphasis was on the Lottie Moon Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions, Change the World Now.

Rosemary Sinford opened the program with "Declare His Glory Through Prayer" followed by a

prayer. Rossie Porterfield then told of "Declare His Glory in Agriculture Development in the Philippines and Europe". Maurine Mankins spoke on "Declare His Glory amonth the Huring of Liberia and Chile" Naoma "Smith tld of Zimbabwe. Rose Mary Swinford read the prayer calendar. Wood Armstrong voice the closing prayer.

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**Letters
to
The Editor**

Christmas is a time to be happy, right? For some of the elderly in the community of Bogata, Christmas will be far from happy. For some of the elderly, other days aren't even happy ones. I know some people don't like to deal with the elderly. Some of them can be down right cantankerous. We all would rather leave them be, than to listen to them gripe about things. Just keep in mind that we'll be just like them one of these days.

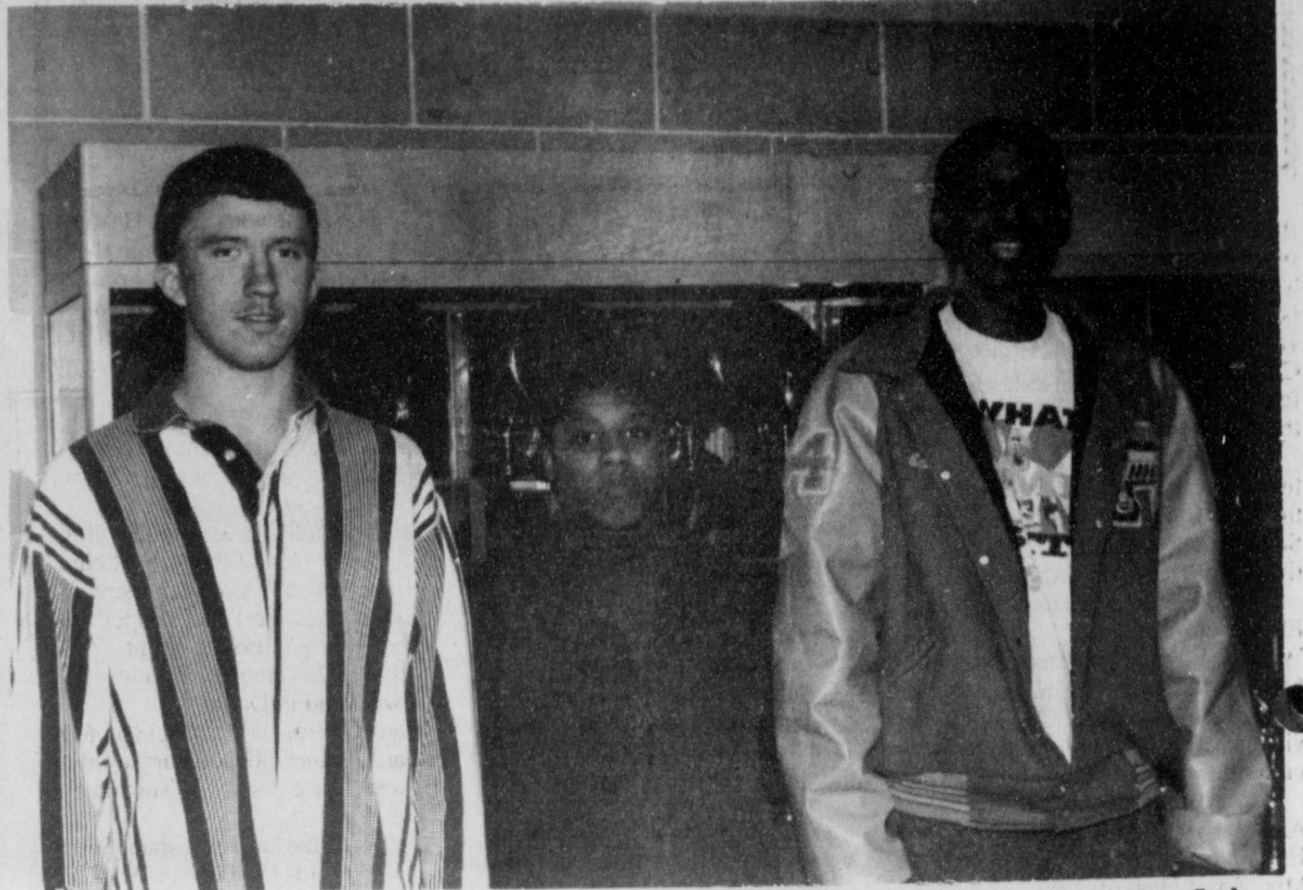
I called one of my elderly friends Sunday afternoon to check on her. All at once she started crying. I asked her what was wrong. She said that she had waited all day for a phone call from her son and he never called. I tried my best to console her by telling her that there was probably nothing wrong with him or someone would have called and let her know, but she loves him and worries about him. Our elderly people sit and wait for a phone call, or a simple letter from their children, but sometimes they never come.

We take it for granted that there aren't any lonely people in our community, but there are. Some of them have no family members who live near them. Some of them have children who never phone or write or come to visit them. These people take it for granted that their neighbors will take care of them, but they need to think again. Their neighbors aren't going to check on the elderly because they don't have time, either, and sometimes they aren't able.

During the holidays, I wish we would take the time out of our busy schedules to call at least one of the elderly in our community. What would really be nice and would make a big difference in their life, would be if we invited them to spend Christmas with us in our homes. I know we would all receive a blessing. Take the time and call someone. Happy Holidays to everyone.

Linda Eilers

"Whoso hearkeneth unto me shall dwell safely and shall be quiet from fear of evil."
Proverbs 1:33



ALL TOURNAMENT PLAYERS- Rivercrest High School basketball players making the

all tournament team at Prairi-land were Jerry Francis, LaQuita Norman, and Eddie

Williams. (Photo by Judy Screws)

Major Drug Bust Recorded

According to Milton R. Hall, Trooper IV, Texas Department of Public Safety, a significant drug seizure was made today (12-13-93) by a Department of Public Safety Trooper stationed in Bowie County.

At 12:15 pm, the trooper (Name withheld on request) observed a 1979 Pontiac 2 door east bound on I-30 at mile Post Marker 218. The driver was not wearing a seat belt.

After making a routine traffic stop for this offense, subsequent questioning led the trooper to believe that the driver may be transporting illegal drugs.

After asking for and obtaining verbal consent, a search was made of the vehicle, and 65 lb. of Marijuana was discovered in the vehicle's spare tire. The estimated street value is about \$58,000.00. No weapons were discovered and no funds were found.

Arrested was Charles Hitt, white male, DOB 12-11-61, of Detroit Michigan. He was placed in the Bowie County Jail and charged with aggravated possession of Marijuana, which is a first degree felony.

Johntown Locals
By Jana Hawkins
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Cindy, Sean, and Steven Robertson, of Eules, spent Saturday evening with Joyce and Tommy Lee Cox. They enjoyed baking a birthday cake for Sean.

Tommy Lee and Joyce, and Glenda, and Dustin Cox, of Johntown and Angela and Tye Crump, of Bogata, went to Paris on Sunday to attend the 3rd birthday party of Sean Robertson at the home of his grandparent Johnnye Robertson. Others present were Sean's brother, Steven, his parents, Gary and Cindy Robertson, of Eules, Gary's brother, Rob and Wanda, Jennifer, Robert,

Liz, Laura, and Kate, of Paris. He had a chocolate train cake and chocolate ice cream was served also.

Mrs. Dorothy Foster visited Thursday in Mt. Pleasant with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Penny and toured the new Adult Personal Care Home which will be opening soon.

Clay Pirtle celebrated his 18th birthday Tuesday night at the Fish Fry, in Paris, with some relatives from the Roach family. Sixteen of the grandchildren and great grandchildren met together and enjoyed eating and visiting. Ike Roach was also celebrating his 18th birthday, which was December 9.

Talco - Bogata Junior High Play Honey Grove

The Junior high lady Rebels travelled to Honey Grove Monday, Dec. 13. The 7th grade B team played the Lady Warriors a very close game. At the half the Lady Rebs were ahead by a score of 6-4. The team could not hold their slim lead and in the third the Lady Warriors tied the score 8-8 and went on to pass the Lady Rebs up. Final score was 13-8. Scoring for the Lady Rebs were Misty Garretson, Tonia Harris and Debra Jones. The 7th grade A team also lost their bid for the win by an even closer score. The half time score saw the Lady Rebels behind 8-16, but a good press forced the Lady Warriors to give up 15 points in the third, bringing the

score to 23-18 for the Rebs. With 29 seconds on the clock and the Lady Rebs ahead by one point, a turn over gave Honey Grove a break which ended the game 26-25, Lady Warriors. High scorers for the team were Candiss Nickerson, Courtney Jones, and also scoring were Joanie Swarts and Dani Brown.

The Jr. high Rebels hosted Honey Grove Monday, Dec. 13 at Bogata. The 7th grade team was defeated by the Warriors. High Scorer for the team was Steven Hearron. The 8th grade made up for the loss by taking a large margin win of 56-16. Leading scorers for the team were Cortney Huddleston, Michael Allen and Brodrick Fulbright.

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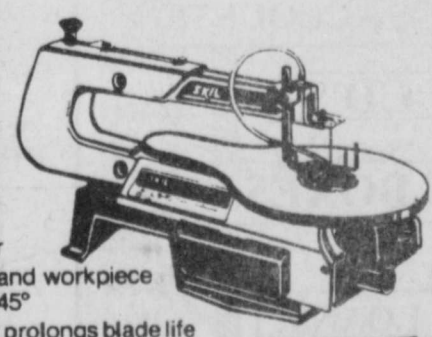
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Cunningham News

By Berniece Wyatt

Friends are sorry to hear of the illness of Valley Coyle and very serious illness of Judy Coyle of Irving. They are in a Dallas hospital. Volley is a native of Cunningham and he and Judy were members of the Cunningham S. High School faculty for several years. We wish for them the very best.

Odis and Marie Watson celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary at the Life Tabernacle Fellowship Hall Sunday afternoon. Seventy-six relatives and friends signed the register.

Mr. & Mrs. Durrell Roddy of Electra visited Mr. & Mrs. Odis Watson Sunday and attended their 65th wedding anniversary.

Mr. & Mrs. Larry Bell of Paris visited Mr. & Mrs. Norman Sain Saturday.

Perry Ashford of Mesquite, Kelley Ashford of Powder and Claudine Holder of Carthage visited Mr. & Mrs. Roy Powers Friday.

Mable Lynn, Joyce Berry and Mrs. Verta Lynn of Deport, Eddie and Sue Sheppard and Tina, Chris and Tracie Chipman and Riley, and Shirley Lawrence of Minter, Joel and Melissa Chipman and Noah of Novice and Berniece Wyatt of Cunningham celebrated Chris Chipman's birthday and an early Christmas with a delicious Pot Luck supper and lots of fun at the home of Bill and Ruth Chipman Sunday night.

Vleta Swaim of Grand Prairie has returned to her home after visiting her sister, Bobbye and Clyde Slusher of Cunningham. Bobbye Slusher and Vleta Swaim visited several residents in Deport Nursing Home last week. Visited were Johnnie Warren, Mutt Harvey Clyde and Thelma Bankhead and Lena Powell.

Bobbye Slusher and Vleta Swaim visited Larry Bell in Paris last week. They also visited their uncle, Clovis Morrison and Donny at Caviness. Clyde Slusher has been visiting Harry Slusher in Cherry Street Annex frequently. Harry has been quite ill but we are pleased to report he is making improvement.

William Cooper was dismissed from the St. Joseph Hospital Sunday afternoon.

Erbert Hume of Paris spent Saturday with Milow Hume and Stasha.

Friends were sorry to learn of the death of Mrs. Mittie Ashford of Carthage Wednesday. Sympathy is extended to the family and other relatives.

Talma and Susie Norwood and Dwayne Baker had lunch with Mr. & Mrs. Almer Norwood Saturday.

Tex Williams of the Bogata Nursing Home is a patient in the St. Joseph Hospital.

Marsha Johnston of Daingerfield, Teresa Daiby of Lone Star and Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Kelsoc of Naples visited Mr. & Mrs. Buddy Taylor last week.

Mr. & Mrs. Brit Phillips, Lindy and Bonnie of Lone Star and Mr. & Mrs. Ricky Cooper, Ryan and K'Lene of Clardy and Deryl and JoDelle Cooper celebrated William Cooper's 63rd birthday Sunday with a supper at the home of Mr. & Mrs. William Cooper. We wish for him many more birthdays.

Mary Briscoe of Reno visited Mr. & Mrs. Norman Sain Friday afternoon.

Nettie Powers attended the funeral services for her aunt, Mrs. Mittie Ashford, at the Deport Funeral Home Chapel Saturday.

Velma Cox with Dora Hester of Paris visited Bill Stallings in the St. Joseph Hospital Sunday morning.

Mr. & Mrs. Silas Taylor spent Friday night with Mrs. Lessie Stuart of Reno and went shopping in Sherman Saturday.

Mr. & Mrs. Roy Powers attended a pre-Christmas dinner at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Rab Skidmore of Deport Sunday.

Mr. & Mrs. J. R. Byrd of Bedford, Johnnie Warren of the Deport Nursing Home and Carol Dorsey and Jennifer of Deport had supper with Lucy Fowler Thursday night.

Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Palmer spent the weekend in Dallas.

Jane O'Neal and Sue Jackson went to Paris Junior College Thursday night to hear Janee Jackson sing in the Yule Fest.

Louise Black of Paris spent Saturday night with Mrs. Delsa Wilson.

Cindy Nichols of Deport, Mr. & Mrs. Darold Norwood of Paris and Alma Norwood had lunch at TaMolly's Wednesday.

Mr. & Mrs. Murray Jackson and Jane of Paris, Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Palmer and family and Mr. & Mrs. Dewayne Drinnon and family had Sunday lunch with Jane O'Neal.

Mr. & Mrs. Larry Bell of Paris visited Mr. & Mrs. Norman Sain Thursday afternoon.

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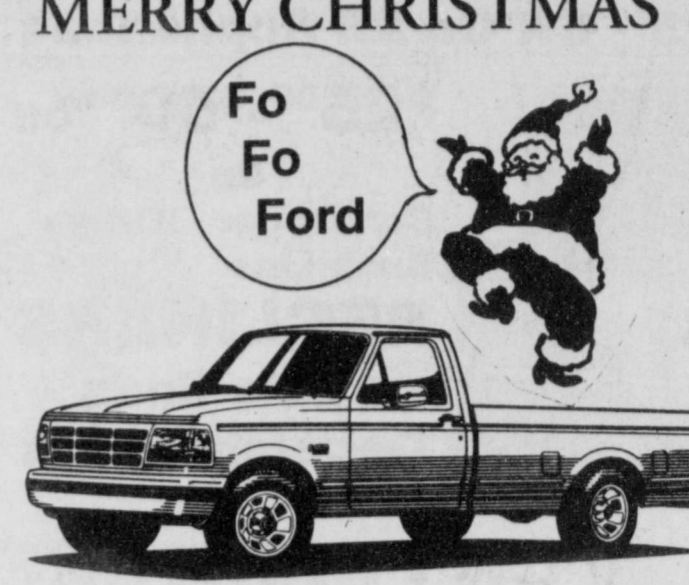
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The Value of Money

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THOUGHT FOR FOOD by GOULD CROOK

Chunky Peanut Butter Cookies

- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/2 tsp. baking powder
- 1/2 cup margarine, softened
- 1/2 cup crunchy peanut butter
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1 1/4 tsp. Sweet 'N Low granulated sugar substitute
- 1 egg
- 1/2 tsp. vanilla extract
- 2 tbsp. chopped, unsalted peanuts

In small bowl, mix flour and baking powder. In large bowl, with mixer at medium speed, beat margarine, peanut butter, sugar and Sweet 'N Low until light and fluffy. Beat in egg and vanilla. Stir in flour mixture and peanuts. On waxed paper, shape dough into a roll about 1" x 9 1/2". Dough will be slightly sticky. Wrap in waxed paper; refrigerate until firm, about 4 hours.


Preheat oven to 375 °F. With sharp knife, mark dough at 1/4-inch intervals, then slice; place 1 inch apart on ungreased cookie sheet. If necessary, reshape cookies gently with fingers. Bake 6 to 8 minutes or until lightly browned on bottom. Immediately remove cookies to wire rack; cool. Makes 3 dozen cookies.



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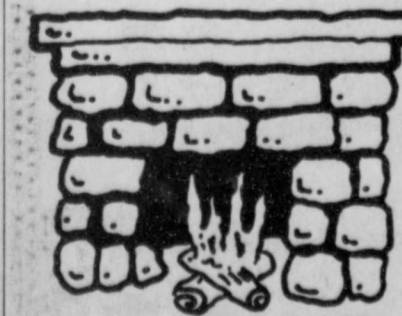
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Beware of Nutrition Claims In Women's Magazines

By Virginia Brock
 Red River County Agent
 Home Economics

What types of nutrition messages are the readers of women's magazines receiving?

One recent study showed an overall increase in nutrition claims referring to the absence of specific dietary substances such as fat, sugar or cholesterol from food and beverage products. Many of the nutritional claims reflected topics related to the dietary guidelines recommendations. All advertisements were used to appeal to consumer concerns about taste, convenience and quality. Nutrition claims varied by product type advertised.

Why are these women's magazines so full of nutrition information? Women tend to be especially interested in nutrition information. They read this more from magazines and other forms of print media.

Some of the leading women's magazines have nutritionists, dietitians or home economists respon-

sible for their nutrition articles or food/recipe sections. This increases the reliability when research-based information is used. Beware of some nutrition-related articles not written by dietitians, nutritionists or home economists. These articles may make weight loss claims or claims for use of certain nutrient supplements seem too good to be true. One example is the hype for chromium picolinate touted for weight loss. Chromium picolinate has not been approved for weight loss by the Food and Drug Administration. Consumers need to realize that weight loss comes only by changing lifestyle habits, including exercise and low-fat eating. No "magic bullets" for weight loss exist.

If you have noted some nutritional claim that may be questionable, misleading or inaccurate, contact the local county Extension Office for research-based information related to the particular nutrition claim.

Holiday Entertaining? Keep Food Safety In Mind

By Virginia Brock
 Red River County Agent
 Home Economics

Delicious food is often a special part of Thanksgiving, Christmas and other holiday events. Entertaining for family or friends on a small or large scale is fun, but often demanding, and definitely needs to be done with food safety in mind.

When planning a large scale event, keep in mind that preparing and handling large amounts of food will take planning ahead of time for safe preparation, storage and serving. If large quantities of food will be prepared ahead of time, quickly cool and refrigerate them. Divide into portions and store in shallow containers. Deep containers increase the time the center of a pot of food stays warm, encouraging bacterial growth. Consider the amount of refrigerator space available.

If perishable foods are picked up from a deli or purchased from a caterer, transport them quickly, and serve immediately; or if purchased ahead of time, transport them quickly to your refrigerator where they should remain until serving time. If you're purchasing a large quantity of food items such as meat trays or any perishable foods, ask that they be packaged in small portions, or do this when you get home. By doing this, you can replace trays often at the party event and not leave one large

tray out for too long.

If holiday meals are served buffet style, this may mean that the food remains on the table as guests come and go. This is not the safest situation, as foods left at warm room temperatures are susceptible to bacterial growth that causes foodborne illness. Plan serving times so that perishable foods do not remain at room temperature for more than two hours. Use smaller portions on the serving table, and replace them often from the heat source in the kitchen or from the refrigerator.

On the serving table, or in the kitchen, keep hot foods hot. Chafing dishes may or may not keep foods at the necessary temperature of 140 degrees F. or above. Keep cold foods cold on the table by nestling serving containers in beds of ice.

When replenishing foods on the buffet, it's best to replace containers, rather than putting fresh food in a container that contains food that has been sitting out, especially if the food has been at room temperature.

Make your holiday events special and food safe by following safe food handling practices. If it is an event to remember, make it a pleasant one. Protect you and your guests from foodborne illness.

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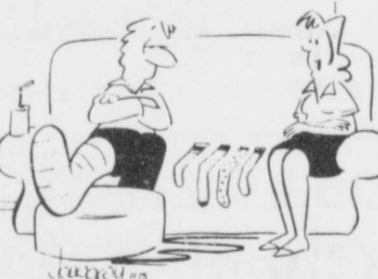
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like a "White Christmas". But, only a few weeks ago we had a "White and Silver Thanksgiving" as the

world was covered in a layer of crystal ice Thanksgiving afternoon and the days after. (Staff Photo)

Traditional centuries-old Christmas delights

Everyone, it seems, loves pudding - and who can resist the special treats that appear during the Christmas season? Plum pudding is one savorable dessert most closely associated with a traditional English holiday celebration. Cider was a popular beverage in pre-Revolutionary America, drunk by almost every member of the family at almost every meal. John Adams drank a pitcher of cider at breakfast every morning. When guests arrive, what could be easier than serving a luscious helping of pudding with a wine sauce and a mug of steaming hot cider spiced with cinnamon? Family and friends will be delighted to receive a sampling of your culinary creativity.

The following recipe for "An English Plum Pudding" is reproduced from *The Virginia House-Wife* by Mary Randolph, 1830.

"Beat eggs very light, add to them a pound of flour sifted, and a pound of powdered sugar; when it looks quite light, put in a pound of suet finely shred; a pint of milk, a nutmeg grated, and a gill of brandy; mix with it a pound of currants, washed, picked, and dried, and a pound of raisins stoned and floured - tie it in a thick cloth, and boil it steadily eight hours."

The modern recipes below for "Plum Pudding" and "Mulled Cider" are reproduced from *Yuletide at Winterthur: Tastes and Visions of the Season* (Winterthur Museum):

PLUM PUDDING

1	cup milk
4	slices stale bread, cubed
6	ounces suet, ground
1	cup brown sugar, packed
2	eggs, beaten
1/4	cup brandy
1	teaspoon vanilla
2	cups raisins
1	cup currants
1/2	cup nuts, chopped
1/2	cup candied orange peel
1	cup flour
1	teaspoon baking soda
1/2	teaspoon salt
2	teaspoons cinnamon
1	teaspoon mace
1	teaspoon ground cloves

Pour milk over bread and stir. Add suet, sugar, eggs, brandy, and vanilla, and mix completely. In a larger bowl, mix raisins, currants, nuts, and peel. Sift flour, soda, and salt and combine with spices. Add to the fruit and nut

mixture and blend. Add the bread and suet mixture and stir well. Pour pudding into a greased two-quart mold (do not use tube or bundt pans or ring mold). Cover the mold completely with foil using string to secure. Put the mold on a rack within a deep pot or dutch oven. Add boiling water to the pot to about an inch, cover, and steam the pudding for about 3 1/2 hours. Be sure water level is maintained in pot. Remove mold and cool for about 15 to 20 minutes. Remove pudding from mold and place on serving plate. Serve with wine sauce or hard sauce of your choice. Makes twelve to sixteen servings.


MULLED CIDER

2	quarts cider
1/2	cup orange juice
1/2	cup lemon juice
2	tablespoons sugar
3	cinnamon sticks
2	teaspoons whole cloves
1	teaspoon nutmeg

Mix all ingredients and bring just to a boil. Cool and strain. Serve hot and place a cinnamon stick in each cup. Makes about 16 half-cup servings.

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THE RIVERCREST Ninth Grade Rebels were defeated by Sulphur Springs tournament, ending their play there. (Staff Photo by Nancy Brown)

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Incorporate tradition into your Christmas celebration

Traditions are what bind families together at Christmastime. Some are planned and taken on for a specific purpose, such as reading from the New Testament and acting out the nativity scene. Some are the result of our cultural heritage, as are the Christmas tree and Santa Claus. Others are spontaneous, but remembered for generations. Traditions are comforting. In these times that are so specialized and transient, it takes time to build lasting relationships. Traditions can help us know who we are and build self-esteem — giving a feeling of continuity, security and joy in Christmases to come.

Many of our customs involve children, often evoking our own childhood memories, but tradition can be for adults, too. The very fact that a family observes Christmas is a tradition!

Some of the more popular traditions

on the North American continent involve decorating a Christmas tree, children hanging stockings, preparing a special dinner or going to church services. Baking special holiday treats such as candy, cookies or fruitcake is an annual tradition. Traditions might be as simple as seeing the *The Nutcracker Suite* or attending a holiday concert at the local school.

When traditions govern us, however, becoming checklists of things that have to be done, it's time to re-evaluate. The most important thing about Christmas traditions is that they exist to use and enjoy, change or discard — whatever a family feels like doing. Your family will outgrow some, and you will change others in order to fulfill needs in the home.

This season, list all the new and old traditions that you would like to incorporate into your future Christmas celebrations. With the right traditions,

you can build positive and strong family ties and make the season special without its becoming so hectic that you are grouchy or depressed.

In the beginning, Christmas was essentially a day of spiritual observance, without any of the fanfare. There were no bells, carols, lighted trees or big banquets. Some claim the added commercialism, frolic and fun detract from the original intent. But the glitter, gifts, parties and food can still be taken in, while enjoying the peace, goodwill, joy, happiness and spirituality that are a part of the Christian theology. If we can maintain a pleasant attitude — like a child who doesn't see all the commercialism — organize so the holiday doesn't steal time or money needed for other necessities, or gain control of how many extra obligations we take into our lives, we can have that *special* Christmas.

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Those attending were Cledith and Thelma (Varner) Pope of Paris and children Vernon, Julie Pope Carter, Cherlyn Hopper, Troy Jones of Arlington, Ray, Patty and Patrick Pope of San Antonio; Velma (Varner) Westbrook of Deport and David, and Brandi Brooks of Paris; Billy Mac & Judy Varner and children Daryl, Jean, Mallory and Austin Varner of Choctaw, Okla.; Savannah Shaw of Arlington; J. E. and Mary (Varner) Cross, Derek, Alex Cross of Graham; Kathy Matthison and Marcus of Jacksboro; Eunice (Varner) Herd, Justin Herd and Sarah Marc of Sanger; Tony, Erica and Amber Tipton of Denton; Kenneth & Janette (Varner) Burks of Deport; Brad, Meagan and

Derek Burks of Paris; Rainey & Shirley Varner and Lockney, Bobby, Sabernia, Eric & Joshua Ermet of Tulsa, Okla.; Kenneth Varner & Sally Carson of Ulysses, Kansas; Larry, Patricia and Heath Varner of Powderly; Richard, Lisa and Trey Varner of Crowell; Ricky, Linda (Varner) and Heath Thomas of Blossom; and Jason Thomas of U.T.-Arlington; Roy Varner and family of Plainview was unable to attend.

Also attending were L. C. & Jo Castleman of Paris, Idla Scroggins, John Blizzard of Bogata.

Special guests included Santa Claus from the North Pole who gave presents and fruit to the children, and Robert Belcher and family of Dallas. Robert is an "Elvis Presley" impersonator and entertained with Christmas songs and music.

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The joy of the season is giving a gift from the heart

*Still, as Christmas-tide comes round,
They remember it again -
Echo still the joyful sound,
"Peace on earth, good-will to men!"*
—Lewis Carroll

What do you cherish most about Christmas? Quiet, serene family gatherings? Loud, boisterous parties, perhaps? Fireside chats with eggnog or warm apple cider, carolers at your door, a yule log crackling on the hearth, stockings on the mantle, the "mystery" of old St. Nick fitting down the chimney, or gifts clustered around a handsomely trimmed tree?

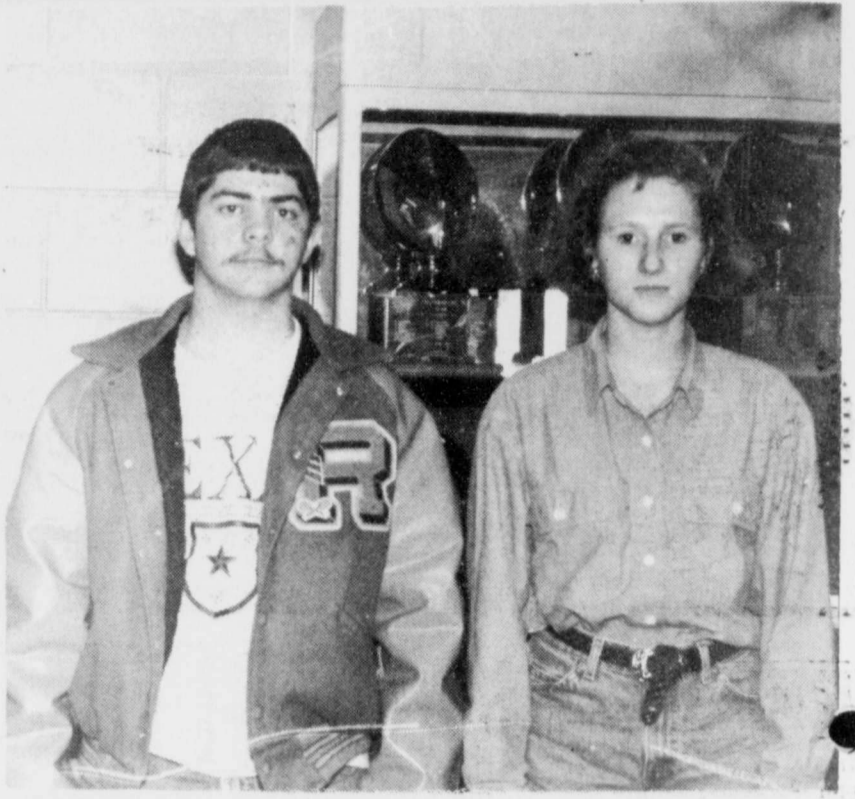
As Christmastime approaches, Carroll's words from his poem, *Christmas Greeting from a Fairy to a Child*, reflect the essence of the Christmas season, which is supposed to linger year-round in the hearts and minds of peoples everywhere, yet which, by many, is too soon forgotten after the holidays: "Peace on earth, good-will to men!"
Christmas heralds a time when har-

mony and warmth between mankind endure, and a generosity of spirit transcends the ordinary cares of daily life. Such words remind one of the importance of cultivating and maintaining, year-round, one's own interpretation of the true Christmas spirit.

The art of giving originates not with the pocketbook, but with the heart. Even a Christmas gift budget where the sky's the limit is no match for the true Christmas spirit: good will. The efforts you expend on finding ways to give, and to share, with those you love will be deeply rewarding.

Reflection, rejuvenation and regaining strength are the activities that delineate the spirit of the season: preparing you and yours for a fresh, new year, and all the hopes and dreams that accompany new beginnings. It's an opportune time to rethink the meaning of Christmas, and let it inspire you to greater heights of achievement, not just at the holidays, but throughout the entire year.

So may you give into the spirit this season, and reap the rewards - for the biggest reward is in the heart!



NOVEMBER STUDENTS OF THE MONTH-November students of the month at Rivercrest

High School were Andy Speir and Kathy Hinsley.(Photo by Judy Screws)

Hinsley And Speir Rivercrest Students Of The Month For November


Andy Speir and Kathy Hinsley were chosen as Rivercrest Students of the Month for November.

Kathy Hinsley is the daughter of Larry and Jo Hinsley. She is a senior, and is currently playing for the Varsity Lady Rebels. Kathy is a member of D-FY-IT and the Drama Club. She participates in UIL writing events. Kathy is a member of the Daniel's

Chapel Methodist Church.

Andy is the son of W.A. and Paula Speir, of Bogata. He is a Junior and plays on the Varsity Boys Basketball team. Andy is a member of the Spanish Club. He is Treasurer of the Beta Club, and participates in Math UIL events. Andy attends the First Baptist Church, of Bogata.

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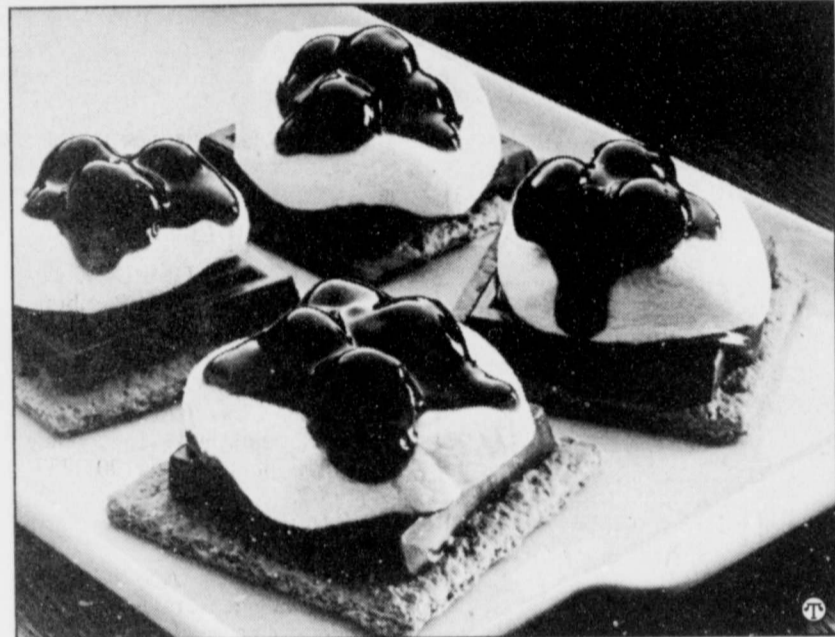
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First Baptist WMU Studies Missions

"Change the World Now" was the theme for the WMU of the First Baptist Church as they started their Mission Study and the Week of Prayer for the Lottie Moon Foreign Missions Dec. 8. Rose Mary Swinford led the meeting. Bro. George Thomas opened with prayer. 25 people were

present. Those having parts were Vickie Thomas, Frances Lee, Paula Speir, Judy Jackson and KSusan Baggett. C.D. Glass prayed for the Missionaries having birthdays Dec. 8. Alice Ann White closed the meeting with prayer.



Ronnie Huddleston and family, of Lewisville, spent the week end with Ed and Loyce Huddleston. On Saturday, the whole family went to Marshall to look at the Christmas decorations. They met Ronnie's son, Mike Huddleston and his friend, Tina, who joined them in the tour and they all enjoyed dinner together. Mike and Tina are from Shreveport.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Screws and Tana were in Clarksville on Saturday to attend the Arvin Starrett Program at the Old Church Theatre. This week's visitors in the home of Donald, Judy and Tana were Chris Anna Screws, Christopher, Yolanda, and

Jerred, from Paris. Mr. and Mrs. Murl Roach, and Mr. and Mrs. Mike Screws, Bren, Kara, and Hali, from Deport.

Wanda Lou Phipps, we hope you had a happy birthday.

Mrs. Mildred Mauldin accompanied Wayne and Linda Woods, of Talco, to Marshall on Saturday night to view the Christmas lights and decorations, and to have dinner. They report a very pleasant trip and said the lights are just breathtaking this year.

Victor Lee, son of Joe and Frances Lee, has been on 4 weeks leave from the U.S. Army. He left December 13

Wayman and Joyce Alexander. After the meal they met at the home of Jack & Willa Jo Mills for games of dominos.

Other parties during the holidays will be 5th grade and under fellowship Dec. 18 at 10:00 a.m. Sixth grade and above fellowship Dec. 18 at 2:00 p.m., and the Young Adult Class on Dec. 20 at 7:30 p.m. The Couples Class met Friday night, Dec. 10, for their fellowship.

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for a two year tour in Germany. PFC Lee is in the Calvary Scouts.

Christine Baker and Lucille O'Donnell were in Mt. Pleasant Friday Shopping.

Carol Baker, of Mt. Pleasant, Chrystine Baker visited their mother, Ruby Corbell, at The Regency Nursing Center in Clarksville Tuesday. Also visiting Mrs. Corbell was Nancy Walker, of Paris. Carol, Chrystine, and Nancy enjoyed lunch at Ted Grant's restaurant.

Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Albert Harville this past week end was his great grandson Charles (Chuck) Harville, of Mesquite.

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Church To Hold Revival December 13-17

The public is cordially invited to attend a Soul Saving Revival at The Bogata Outreach Church of God In Christ, 207 South Howison Street.

The services will be conducted by the newly appointed pastor, Elder Allen Johnson.

The services will be Monday December 13 through Friday December 17 at 7:30 P.M. nightly.

Bogata Book Club Has Christmas Dinner

All eighteen members of the Bogata book Club were in attendance at the annual Christmas dinner and gift exchange on Thursday, December 9. Brenda Scoggins hosted the covered dish dinner at her home, with Vickie Wade as co-hostess. The home was beautifully decorated and gifts were exchanged by secret pals. New pal names were drawn for 1994.

Music was presented by Joyce Smith on the accordion and the group singing. Scripture was read by Roberta Anderson and gertie Choate. Juanita Sparks presented, "A Christmas Story" from News From North Haven, by Michael Lindall.

The next meeting will be on January 13, 1994, with June Stanley and Joyce Smith as hostesses.

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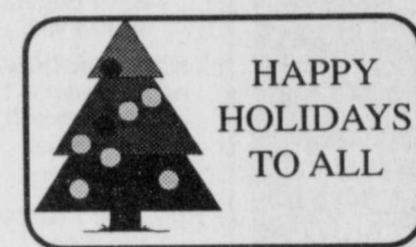
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Three Classes of First Baptist Enjoy Dinner Party

The Ladies Dorcas Class, the Friendship Class, and the Men's Class of the First Baptist Church enjoyed a dinner party at TaMolly's in Paris on Monday night.

Those attending were Vivian Westbrook, Ophelia Hood, Eva Weisinger, Bro. Perry and Linda Johnson, Jack & Willa Jo Mills, James and Celia Clark, Bill & Jerry Payne, Charley and Ann Roberts, Robert & Geneva Kelso, and



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