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By Nanalee Nichols
*The world changes fast,
and the messengers couldn't
keep up!*

Not long ago we watched an old program on television about messengers in New York City.

It was one of those Charles Kerault programs and he was conducting an interview with the top messenger in the city. This young man pedaled furiously in, around and through heavy traffic, cutting things so fine he literally touched some vehicles as he zoomed by. Fastened to his back was a backpack in which he carried documents, plans, forms or whatever. He delivered these to one office when speed was required, and often waited to return with other papers to another office.

He was employed by a messenger service and was one of about 25 employees.

It was noted that the number of messengers was down from about 45 the year before to 25.

That set me to pondering whether there are any of these messengers left at all.

The television program was about 12 years old. I'll bet there aren't any of them functioning now.

Think about it. With E-Mail and the fax machine, a proliferation of electronic wire transfers and the like, the need to hand carry documents, checks or forms has decreased to the point of virtual non-existence!

It's like the old newspapers, who had copy boys to run stories, information and proofs back and forth, up and down between reporters and editors and printers...it just isn't done that way anymore. The need for those pneumatic tubes that went from floor to floor in department stores carrying money and sending back receipts has ceased to exist, too.

So, it seems unlikely that even a city the size of New York has much need for a skilled, energetic cyclist to carry "hard copy" documents or information from place to place.

They must be making their living doing something else, now.

It's amazing just how fast technology can change things in only a few years!



Thursday at 7:00 P.M. is "42" time and every Saturday at 1:30 is Bingo playing time.

The VFW and its Auxiliary meets every second and fourth Monday at 7 P.M.

* The VFW Post 8187 will no longer have Bingo on Saturday P.M.

* On May 17, Bogata VFW Post 8187 will have a benefit dance for Cuthand Cemetery. The Doug Cruise Band will donate their time. We invite everyone to come out and support this worthy cause.

Dancing will be 8:30 p.m. until 12:00 midnight.

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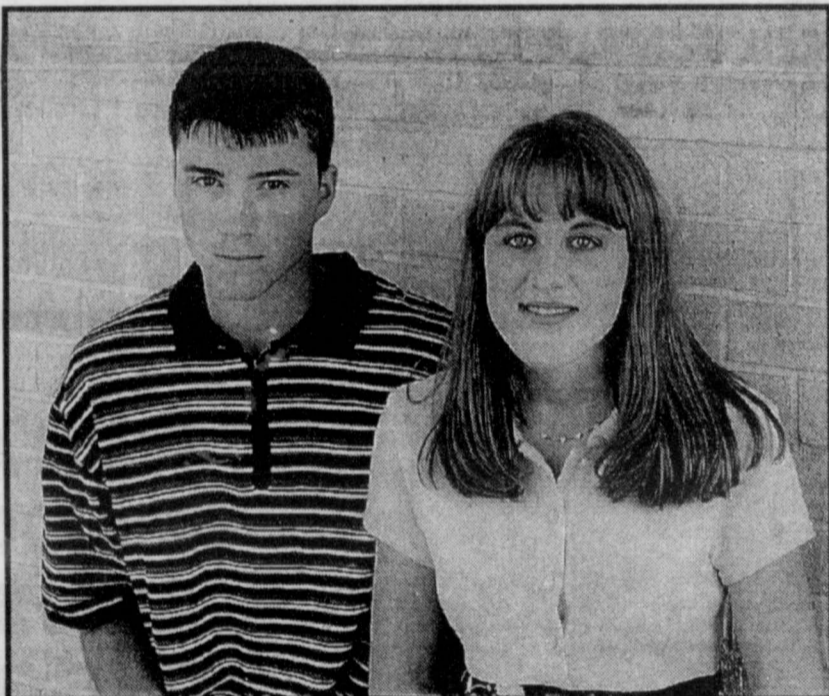


TEXAS-NEW MEXICO Power Company Customer Relations Co-ordinator, Gary Petty, presented a donation to the Bagwell Volunteer Fire Department, represented by Assistant Chief, Mark Perkins. The \$2700.00 donation will be used for an emergency generator and early warning siren for the community and other equipment for the department. This is funded through the "Customer Connection" program based on contributions by customers and matched with Texas-New Mexico Power Company shareholders dollars to support our communities. The intent is to support "grassroot" activities and partnership within our communities.

Freddy Wade to be honored

Freddy Wade, Superintendent of Rivercrest High School will be honored with a Retirement Party on Saturday, May 17, 1997 at 6:30 p.m. at the Rivercrest cafeteria.

The meal will be a covered dish, (vegetable or dessert) and dress for the occasion will be casual. Everyone is invited to attend.



STUDENTS OF THE YEAR-Chosen as student of the year at Rivercrest High School are Marla Williams and Eric Martin.

Marla is the daughter of Mike and Mollie Williams of Bogata. She is a Senior honor student, served as Varsity Cheerleader for the past three years, was active in U.I.L. and has finished her high school days as Valedictorian of her class.

Eric is the son of Dennis and Janice Martin of Bogata. He is a Senior honor student, ranking 4th in his class. He was member of the Area Champion Varsity basketball team, Varsity tennis team, participated in U.I.L. and is a Beta Club member. Congratulations students!

Staff Photo Nancy Brown

People and Things

Saturday, May 10
Bogata Lions Club will have a community wide Garage Sale at the Community Center.

Tuesday, May 13
Rosalie Community Center Group meets at 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, May 15
Bogata Lions Club meets at the Community Center at 7:00 p.m.

Monday, May 19
Bogata City Council will meet at City Hall at 5:00 p.m.

Third Tuesday of Each Month
Bogata Lions Club sponsors Bingo at Red River Healthcare Center. Lions members should volunteer to help when they can.

*Commodities will be distributed from 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. at the Bogata Community Center.

Notice
Alcoholics Anonymous meets every Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. in the St. Joseph's Catholic Church Rec. Room in Clarksville. Everyone is Welcome.

* At this time arrangements are being made for a bus trip to Branson, Missouri for September 19-20 & 21. Anyone who is interested in going should call Molee Huddleston at 632-5774.

The Rivercrest High School Junior-Senior Prom will be held on Friday, May 9, 1997 beginning at 8:00 p.m. at the Mt. Pleasant Country Club.

The Rivercrest Athletic Banquet will be held Monday, May 19, 1997 at 6:00 p.m. Tickets for the meal will cost \$5.00 and may be purchased at the gate. Everyone is invited to attend.

The Rivercrest High School Awards Program will be held in the school auditorium on May 27 beginning at 8:15 a.m. Everyone is invited to attend.

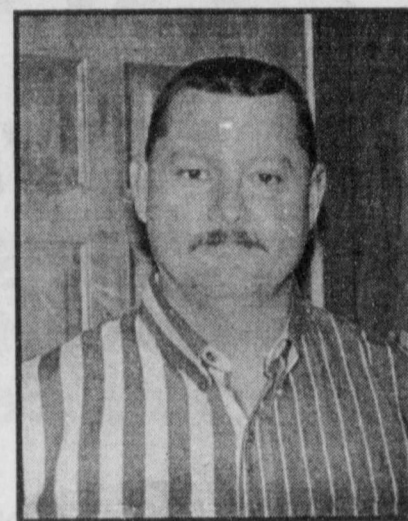
The Rivercrest Music Banquet will be held Thursday, May 8, 1997 at the Titus County Civic Center in Mt. Pleasant beginning at 6:30 p.m. By invitation only.

The Guaranty Bank of Talco will honor the Rivercrest Senior class with a party at the school cafeteria on May 12, 1997 beginning at 6:30 p.m. All seniors are encouraged to attend.

The Rivercrest High School Baccalaureate service will be held in the school auditorium on Sunday, May 18, 1997 beginning at 4:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend.



Ricky Franks



Nicky Brown



Mollie Williams

Brown, Williams, Franks elected to board

In last Saturday's Board of Trustee election for the Talco-Bogata C.I.S.D., Nicky Brown was elected

with 102 ballots over Robert Hollis, who received 100. Unopposed for Place 4, Mollie

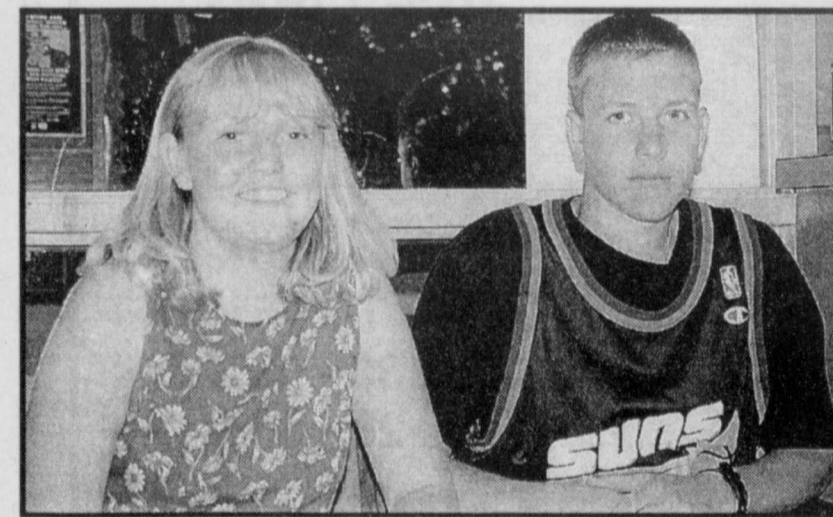
Williams received 152 votes. Also unopposed in Place 7, Ricky Franks garnered 162 votes.



CONGRATULATIONS-to the April Students of the Month at Rivercrest High School, Lindy Phillips and Jody Gray.

Lindy is the daughter of Brit and Anaya Phillips of Lone Star Community and the granddaughter of W.A. and Jodelle Cooper of Cunningham and Ted Phillips of Lone Star Community. Lindy served at the Rivercrest Band Drum Major, is a member of the Beta Club, Spanish Club, National Honor Society and participated in U.I.L. She is also a member of the Youth for Christ at her church.

Jody is the son of Jackie and Linda Gray of Bogata. He was a member of the Varsity football team, basketball team and track team. Jody is a member of the first State qualifying 1600 meter relay track team at Rivercrest. He was chosen Most Handsome of the Junior class and is an honor student.



CONGRATULATIONS-to the May Students of the Month at Rivercrest High School, Lisa Shirley and Justin Smith.

Lisa is the daughter of Ray and Susan Shirley of Bogata. She is a member of the Student Council, Beta club and Spanish club. Lisa is an honor student and serves as reporter for the Sophomore class.

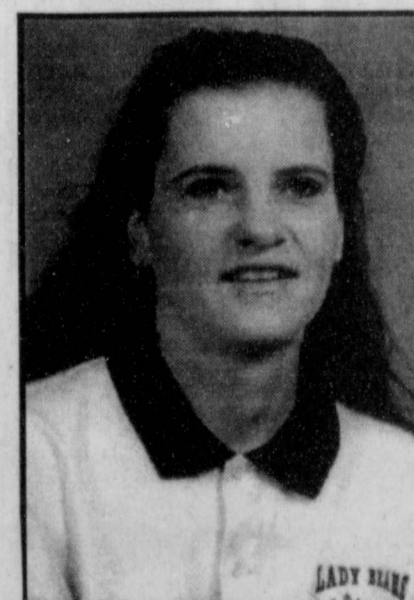
Justin is the grandson of Charles and Wanda Graf of Talco. He is a member of the first State qualifying 1600 meter relay team and is the District Champion in the 800 meter run. Justin is a Senior honor student, placing 6th in the class.

Area towns effected by cable sale

As of May 1, 1997, a portion of Douglas Cablevision has been sold to Buford Television, Inc. Douglas Cablevision will no longer be operating a cable service.

Areas sold to Friendship Cable in the state of Texas include Adkins,

Annbnna, Atascosa, Avery, Aztec, Bastrop, Blossom, Bogata, Buchanan, Clarksville, Deport, Elgin, Grapeland, Groveton, Las Gallinas, Latexo, Leary, Lost Pines, Lovelady, Page, Powderly, Redwater, Riverside, San Antonio, Talco, Trinity.



COACH OF THE YEAR- Tonya Bishop was voted by the coaches of class 3A as Coach of the Year for girls softball. Her team carried a 14-4 record. This is Tonya's first year coaching at DeKalb High School as varsity girls coach. Tonya is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Hawkins of Talco and the granddaughter of Nina Gentry of Talco. She is a 1990 graduate of Rivercrest High School.



Misty Taylor Gage

Misty Gage in NHSS

Misty Taylor Gage, daughter of Pete and Lillian Taylor, was inducted into the Texas A&M-Commerce Chapter of Alpha Chi (National Honor Scholarship Society) on April 29.

Members are selected from among those advanced students who best exemplify the qualities of high academic achievement and good character during their undergraduate careers at Texas A&M-Commerce.

All inductees received a recognition pin and a membership certificate.

Attending the ceremony were Clint Gage and Lillian Taylor.

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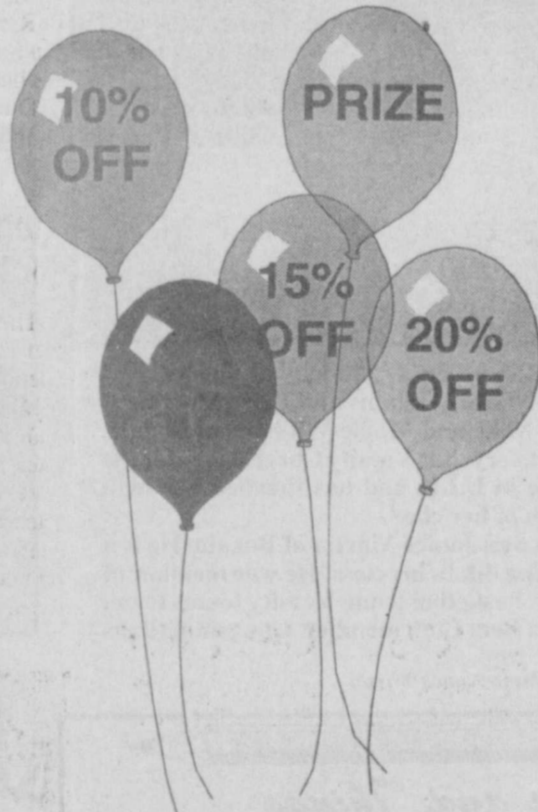
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Obituaries

Carl R. Guthrie dies May 5

Carl R. Guthrie, age 75 of Talco died Monday, May 5 at Titus County Medical Center, Mt. Pleasant. Services were held at 11:00 a.m. Thursday, May 8 at Bates-Cooper-Weems-Robison Chapel with interment in Talco Cemetery. Bro. Pat Ferris and Bro. Larry Bilbo officiated.

Mr. Guthrie was born April 22, 1922 in Charleston, West Virginia to Andrew Albert and Cecil Guanaue Guthrie.

He was a member of the South Side Church of Christ and was a veteran of World War II, serving in the Army Air Corps. He was a member of the Disabled American Veterans. He was a retired lab technician for Dow Chemicals.

Surviving are his wife, Ruth Posey Guthrie of Talco; a son and daughter-in-law, Buford and Billie June Guthrie of Talco; two grandchildren, Matthew Guthrie and Steven Guthrie, both of Freeport; two stepgranddaughters, Stefanie Sinclair of Winfield and Barbara Sinclair of Sulphur Springs; and two sisters, Lois Jean Midkiff of Charleston, WV and Pauline Scott of South Charleston, WV.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two sons; one daughter and three brothers.

Virgil F. Tolbert dies April 29

Virgil F. Tolbert, age 85 of Mt. Pleasant died Tuesday, April 29 at his home.

Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Thursday, May 1 at Bates-Cooper-Weems-Robison Chapel with burial in Meadowbrook Cemetery at 22.

Mr. Tolbert was born October 22, 1911 in Linden community to William Wallace and Lucy Alice Shepherd Tolbert. He was a member of the First Baptist Church and had been a member of the Lions Club and Masonic Lodge for 50 years. He worked for Beall Brothers for 33 years and was a retired store manager.

Surviving are his wife, Mary Skipper Tolbert; two daughters and sons-in-law, Linda and Kenneth Kirk of Mt. Pleasant and Jocuetta and Daniel Smith of Blossom; a stepdaughter and her husband, Melba and Don Hitt of Cason; two brothers and their wives, Morris C. and Robbie Tolbert of Paris and William A. and Genell Tolbert of Ft. Worth; a sister and her husband, Norma L. and Jack May of Texas City; eight grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and a number of nieces and nephews.

Waymon Bryant dies April 30

Waymon Bryant, age 75 of Dallas, formerly of Red River County, died Thursday, April 30 at his home.

Funeral services were held at 10:00 a.m. Monday, May 5 in Anderson Clayton Funeral Home Chapel in Mesquite with graveside services at 3:30 p.m. Monday at Bogata Cemetery.

He is survived by his children, Wanda Lena Tierney, Daniel Paul Bryant and April Fitzgerald, all of Dallas and Michael John Bryant of Pflugerville; one brother, R.V. Bryant of Worcester, MAS; nine grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

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May 8, 1997
Cheesecake Recipes

Philly 50th Anniversary Double Chocolate Layer Cheesecake
1/2 teaspoon vanilla
2 eggs
3 squares Baker semi-sweet chocolate, melted and cooled.
1 ready-to-use chocolate flavor crumb crust
2-8 ounce package cream cheese
Mix cream cheese, sugar and vanilla with mixer on medium speed until blended. Add eggs; mix until blended. Stir in chocolate into 1 cup of batter. Pour chocolate batter over crust. Top with plain batter. Bake at 350 degrees for 40 minutes or until center is almost set. Cool. Refrigerate 3 hours or overnight. Makes 8 servings. When ready to serve, place pieces of sliced strawberries or cherries on top and top with chocolate syrup.

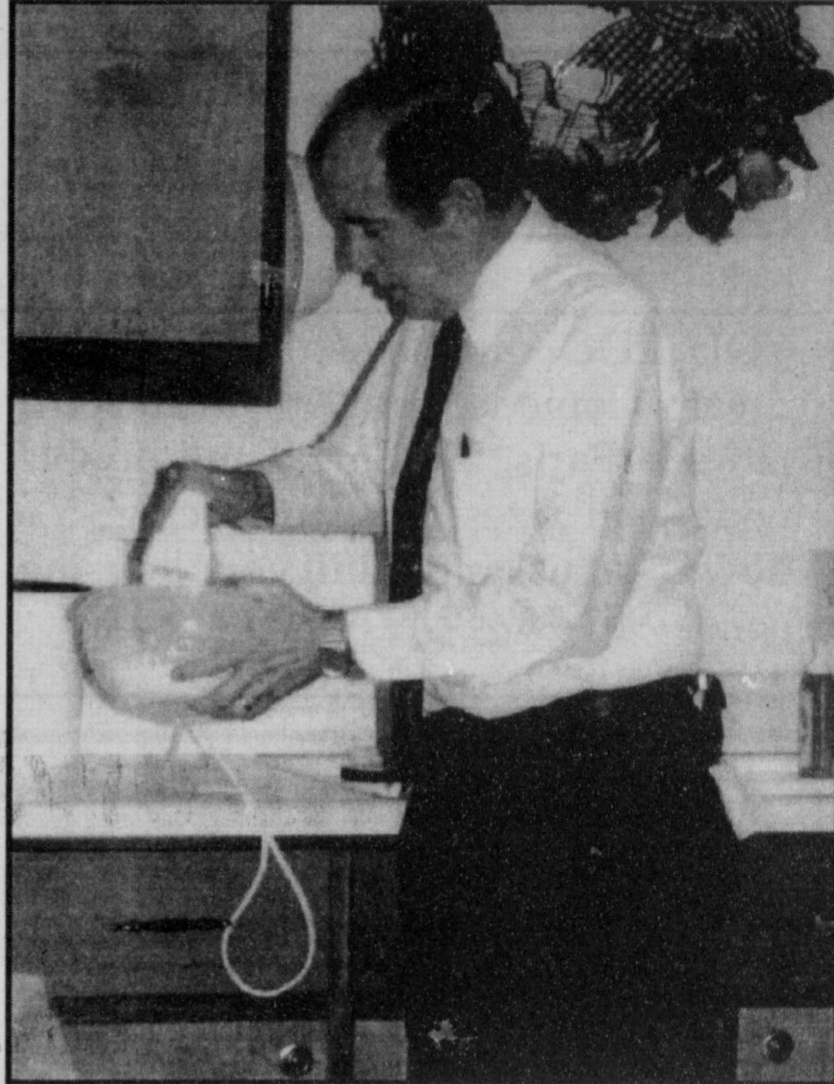
Sweet Potato-Pecan Cheesecake with Chocolate Crust
Crust:
1-1/2 cup finely chopped toasted pecans
1-1/2 cup finely crushed chocolate wafers
4 tablespoons sugar
4 tablespoons butter
Filling: 16 ounces softened cream cheese 15 ounces whole-milk ricotta 1 cup firmly packed light brown sugar
1/2 cup white sugar
5 large eggs-room temperature
1-15 ounce can sweet potatoes drained and mashed till smooth
2 tablespoons all purpose flour
1 tablespoon pumpkin pie spice
1 tablespoon brandy
2 teaspoons pure vanilla extract
Preheat oven to 300 degrees. Lightly butter springform pan. In medium bowl, combine wafers, pecans and sugar and stir in butter until combined. Press crust over bottom and up sides of pan. Chill pan while preparing filling. Put cream cheese and ricotta in a large bowl and beat until smooth and creamy using electric mixer. Add brown and white sugars and beat until smooth. Scrape down bowl. Add eggs, 1 at a time, beating 20 seconds after each addition. Added potatoes, flour, pie spice, brandy and vanilla and beat until smooth. Scrape down bowl and pour filling into prepared crust and

smooth top. Fill a 2 quart baking pan halfway with hot water and place on bottom rack of oven. Bake in middle rack for 1 hour. Turn off oven and leave cake with door closed for 30 minutes. Remove and cool on wire rack to room temperature. Cover cake with foil and refrigerate at least 4 hours. Pour melted chocolate over top and set pecan halves evenly spaced around edges.

Butterscotch Cheesecake
Crust:
1 cup graham crackers
2 tablespoons flour
2 tablespoons sugar
4 tablespoons butter
Filling:
12 ounces butterscotch chips
1/4 cup heavy cream
16 ounces cream cheese-softened
1/2 cup firmly packed light brown sugar
4 large eggs-room temperature
1 cup sour cream
2 tablespoons flour
1 tablespoon vanilla
Preheat oven to 325 degrees. Lightly butter springform pan. In bowl, combine graham cracker crumbs, flour and sugar and stir in butter until thoroughly blended. Press the crust over the bottom and one-quarter of the way up the sides of the prepared pan. Bake 15 minutes, then set aside to cool. In double boiler set over barely simmering water and melt butterscotch chips with heavy cream, stirring until smooth and creamy. Remove pan from heat. Add cream cheese and brown sugar in a large bowl and beat until smooth using the electric mixer on medium. Add eggs, one at a time, beating for 20 seconds after each addition. Scrape down bowl. Add sour cream, flour and vanilla and beat until smooth. Add butterscotch mixture and beat at low until smooth. Scrape down sides. Pour filling into prepared pan and smooth top. Fill a 2 quart baking pan halfway with hot water and place on bottom rack. Bake cake on middle rack for 1 hour. Turn off oven and leave door closed for 1 hour. Remove and cool to room temperature. Cover with foil and refrigerate for four hours. Garnish with one 8 ounce jar caramel topping-warmed

and 1 8 ounce package Turtle candies chopped.


Creamy Citrus Cheesecake
Crust:
1-1/4 cups graham cracker crumbs
4 tablespoons butter
1-1/2 teaspoons grated fresh lime peel
Filling:
24 ounces cream cheese-softened
1 cup sugar
3 large eggs-room temperature
7 ounces sour cream
1/4 cup fresh lime juice
1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract
1/2 teaspoon almond extract
1 tablespoon grated fresh lime peel
Lemon Orange Curd:
4 large egg yolks
3/4 cups sugar
2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice
2 tablespoons fresh orange juice
4 tablespoons butter
Preheat oven to 325 degrees. Lightly butter springform pan. In bowl, combine crackers, butter and peel. Press crust over bottom and half way up sides. Chill while making filling. Put cream cheese and sugar in large bowl and beat until smooth, using electric mixer at medium speed. Add eggs, 1 at a time and beat 20 seconds each. Scrape down bowl. Add sour cream and beat until smooth. Add lime juice, vanilla and almond extract and peel, beating until combined. Scrape down bowl. Pour filling into prepared crust and smooth top. Fill 2-quart pan halfway full and place on middle rack of oven. Place cake on middle rack for 1 hour. Turn off oven and leave for additional hour with door closed. Remove and cool to room temperature. In top of double boiler set over barely simmering water, whisk together egg yolks and sugar until combined. Slowly stir in the lemon and orange juices until smooth. Cook mixture, stirring constantly with a wooden spoon until thick. Remove pan from heat and stir in butter until smooth. Strain hot curd through fine-mesh sieve into a bowl and let cool slightly. Pour curd over cheesecake, then refrigerate covered with foil for at least 4 hours. Garnish.



(Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

DR. L.C. STOUT demonstrates the art of a perfect cheesecake to the homemaking students of Sandra Graves Foods and Nutrition last week. He prepared the Philly 50th Anniversary Double Chocolate Layer Cheesecake.

Country Cooking



Liz Irwin

If there is someone you'd like to see in the Country Cooking column, call 982-5829. Look for us on the internet!

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This week's column features some cheesecake recipes that are simply scrumptious! The reason for this... Well, Dr. L.C. Stout made his yearly trek to the Prairiland Homemaking Department to share his culinary skills. I happened to be on campus and had the opportunity to taste his cheesecake recipe for the year. It was superb!

So while Nanalee and Thomas are off in Europe this week, we will share our "rich in fat", "high in calories", "simply sinful", cheesecake recipes! After all, Nanalee is still on her diet and several others around us are watching their calories...so here goes!

Dr. Stout's recipe is the Philly 50th Anniversary Double Chocolate Layer Cheesecake. He topped the cake with sliced strawberries and drizzled chocolate on top. Wow, What a dessert!

Dawne Sparks just came across the new Debbi Field's Great American Desserts cookbook that have some fabulous recipes. We have included the Sweet Potato-Pecan Cheesecake with Chocolate Crust, Butterscotch Cheesecake and last but not least Creamy Citrus Cheesecake.

We hope you enjoy these and we will see you in the kitchen!

Card of Thanks
I would like to thank all the people who voted in the Talco-Bogata Board of Trustees election, and say that I appreciate the chance to serve you. I will try to do the best job that I can to see that everyone is treated fairly and to see that our children get every opportunity available and the best education possible. Thanks again for all your support.
Sincerely,
Nicky Brown

Fulbright News
By Betty Rodgers 652-6051

Bro. J.T. Shipman of Paris held worship services at the First Baptist Church Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewayne Jenkins of Paris visited Karen and Worth Baker Monday.

Mrs. Ethel Epps was a visitor of Charles and Rhea Epps in Rosalie Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Erb of Stockton, CA spent the weekend with the Clovis VanDeavers. Larann, John and Dru Denison of Rosalie joined them for lunch on Sunday.

Kenneth Smith is in critical condition in Paris hospital with a heart condition.

Card of Thanks
I would like to thank everyone who voted for me for your support in the Prairiland School Board election.
Sincerely,
David Basinger

McCain Scholarship Fund Drive begins
The Richard McCain permanent fund is at \$10,600 at the present, with this investment a perpetual gift of \$500.00 can be made annually. The committee would like to increase the permanent fund so that the scholarship amount can be more in the future.

Donations to this fund may be made to Hugh Jeffus at Community National Bank, Jake Broadway, Dale Miller, Albert McCain, Jorene Carpenter or Becky McCain.
Any help you might will be appreciated by student recipients in the future.

Fulbright Community Club meets at center
The Fulbright Community Club met at the center Monday evening. Glenn Smucker of Euleus was guest speaker. He gave a program on estate planning and was very beneficial and interesting.
A short business session was held afterwards with plans to paint the center building and get ready for homecoming which will be held on the second Sunday in May.

Bereaved Parents Support Group to hear guest speaker
Dr. Gregory Montoya, Paris Psychiatrist will speak at the May 12, 1997 7:00 p.m. meeting of the Bereaved Parents Support Group. The Bereaved Parents Support Group meeting will be held at the TU Electric Building, (635 Clarksville Street) between Clarksville and Lamar in Paris, TX. Interested persons are encouraged to attend.

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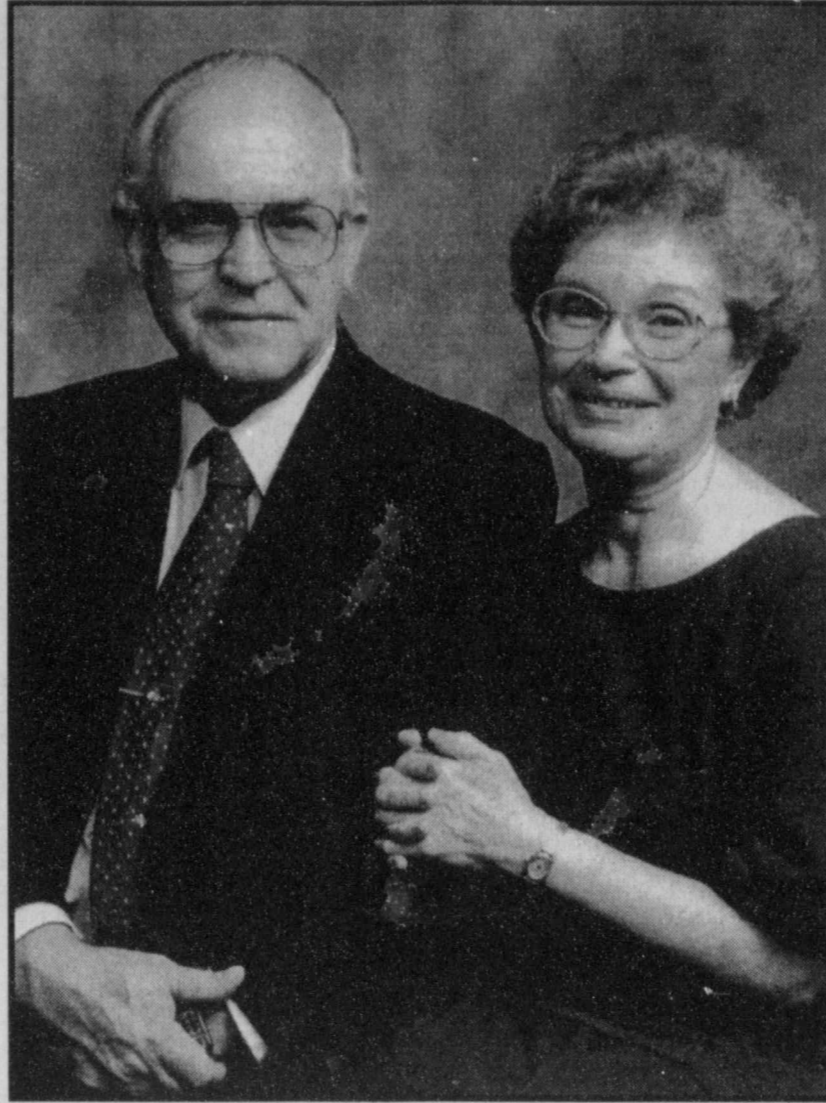
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Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Spencer

Spencer open house planned

The children of Pat Wallace of Hughes Springs and Arthur Spencer of Bogata wish to invite friends and relations to the Spencer's open house on the afternoon of May 11 to celebrate the joining of their families, May 10, 1997.

Invitations will not be sent, please consider this your invitation. For directions to Rivercrest Heights, contact Pat and or Art.

Their children are: Captain John Wallace of Rapid City, South Dakota, Dr. Jim and Dawn Wallace of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, Captain Marc and Donata Spencer of Redstone Arsenal, Alabama, Danny and Kimberley Spencer of Mabank, Texas and Andrew and Ellen Spencer of Denton, Texas.

Mayes Family reunion held May 3

Raymond and Ruth Mayes's family were together at the Bogata Community Center and Park Saturday, May 3.

Those attending were: Randall and Margie Mayes, John, Connie Kay and Marla Brooks, John, Kristi and Mayzie Purviance all of Bogata, John Aubrey, Carolyn, Randy and Kristi Mayes and Amber and Haley of Blossom, Daphne Mayes and Mark of Dallas, Dovie, Larry and Mike Garretson of Bogata, Rickey Garretson of Fort Worth, Pansy Skaggs of Arlington, Cindy and Steve

Erkel of Fort Worth, Neil and Frances Rozell, David Rozell of Bogata, Kenneth Mayes of Fort Worth, Jozell and Ashley Ward and Raschell of Weatherford, Kenneth and Aaron Palmer of Bogata.

Fellowship, lunch, supper and games of 42 and double nine were enjoyed. Those more active played softball. Cameras were busy throughout the day.

Misty Garretson of Mount Vernon was in Dallas on a school trip but was able to visit with most everyone on Sunday.

North Star Chapter program and luncheon to be held May 20, 1997

The North Star Chapter Texas Association of Business & Chambers of Commerce Program and Luncheon will be held May 20, 1997 from 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m.

The topic will be "The 10 Litigation Land Mines of the 21st Century Workforce". This presentation will identify ten major litigation traps employers face and how to avoid them with special attention to problems of the future that are arising from new technologies, new laws and new work arrangements like telecommuting. This presentation is drawn from Littler Mendelson's survey of its group of over 300 employment law attorneys nationwide.

Guest speaker will be, Scott McDonald, shareholder in the Dallas

office of Littler, Mendelson, Fastiff, Tichy & Mathiason the nation's largest law firm focusing exclusively on employment law.

All business owners, managers/supervisors and human resource personnel should attend.

The program will be held at Paris Junior College, Student Center Ballroom, Clarksville St. in Paris, TX. Registration fees received on or before Monday, May 19 will cost \$12 per person. Registration fees paid after Monday, May 19 or at the door will be \$15. For more information call Veta Weaver TABCC Region (903) 534-1398 or Melanie Fountain, TABCC Treasurer- (903) 737-0522 or FAX (903) 785-6344.

Silence is one of the hardest things to refute.

—Josh Billings

Matter of Fact

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Eighty percent of endangered wildlife habitat exists on private land. So why is it when landowners make every effort to attract these species, they're often punished with additional regulatory restrictions?

Now believe it or not, that statement comes from an Environmental Defense Fund report. The announcement goes on to say that the only way the Endangered Species Act will ever work is by rewarding landowners for good stewardship.

The fact is despite some 24 years that the Endangered Species Act has been on the books, it has failed to truly protect wildlife. And according to this EDF report, it's because the Act has declared war on landowners — the very people who can play the biggest role in protecting wildlife.

Now I'm not about to say I told you so. If anything, Texas landowners should welcome the Environmental Defense Fund's endorsement of our efforts with open arms. It's a lot better than getting poked in the nose.

Vaughan family has get together

The Vaughan-Hawkins family met at Avret and Mary Margaret Vaughan's Ranch Saturday, May 3. They cooked a hog, a pot of beans and fried potatoes and everyone brought a covered dish. They spent the day visiting and taking pictures.

Attending were Harley and Pansy Vaughan of Richardson, Charles Dryden of Longview, Doug Hawkins of Bogata, Lucille Hawkins of Johntown, Shawn and Patti Jenkins, Sarah and Wesley of Carrollton, Robert and Janie Thomas-Young of

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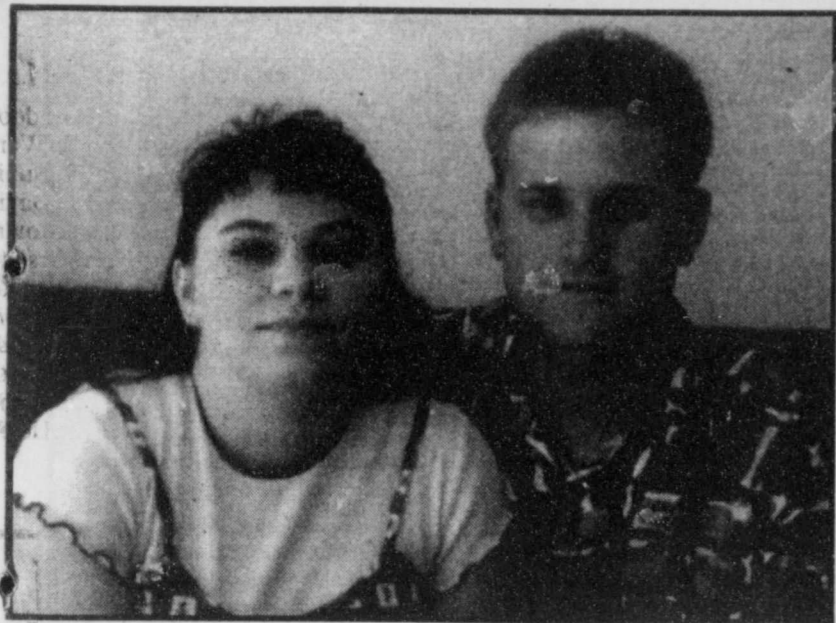
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*Penny Michelle Whittle
with fiance James Houston Elrod, Jr.*

Whittle-Elrod announce engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Wayne Whittle of Minter are pleased to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Penny Michelle Whittle, to James Houston Elrod, Jr.

The couple will be married Sunday, June 22 at 6 o'clock in the afternoon at Abundant Life Church in Minter. Pastor Tony Corso will perform the ceremony.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of the late Jinks Whittle and Ruth Whittle of Depot and Dorothy Goforth of Mansfield and the great-granddaughter of Fay Elmore of Deport. She is a 1996 graduate of Prairiland High School and is attending Paris

Junior College. She is employed at Sirloin Stockade.

Her fiance is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Houston Elrod of Detroit. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Boyd of Reno, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Brumalow of Blossom and Mr. and Mrs. Winfred Elrod of Detroit. He is a 1996 graduate of Detroit High School and is attending Paris Junior College. He is employed at Super One Foods.

There will be a reception held at the American Legion Hall in Deport immediately following the ceremony.

No formal invitations will be sent, family and friends are invited to attend.



*(Staff Photo)
Rev. and Mrs. J.T. McNabb
to celebrate 50th Wedding Anniversary*

J.T. McNabb's celebrate 50th wedding anniversary

Rev. and Mrs. J.T. McNabb will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on Saturday, May 24, 1997 at 2:00 p.m. at the East Post Oak Missionary Baptist Church fellowship hall, six miles northeast of Blossom on F.M. 1502.

Yvonne Weston and J.T. McNabb were married May 24, 1947 in the home of Rev. D.D. Miller in Avery, Texas.

The reception will be hosted by

their children and spouses, Kathy and David Brown of Carthage, Patricia and Leroy Cranford of Gray, Charolette and Keith Bollman of Paris, Carla and George Rhodes of Blossom and Michael and Glyne McNabb of Blossom.

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A community meeting was held Sunday and a work day was set for Saturday, May 10. There will be a picnic lunch. The next community meeting is Sunday, May 18 at 3:00 p.m.

Homecoming will be June 28 and the meal is \$6.00. Deadline for payment is June 15. Mail to Jane O'Neal, Rt. 1, Box 63-5A, Deport, TX 75435, call Jane at 652-6062 or Geneva Norwood at 652-3141. Correction on year dates of 8x10 senior class pictures, we would like to copy 1938-41-46-62-69. Individual pictures for 1940 and 1968, any ball team pictures, leave a message at 652-6792.

Mary Briscoe visited Norman and Rachel Sain Monday. Virginia Bell, Cathy and David Lawrence visited Tuesday evening. Dorothy and Francis Green of Johntown visited Friday. Guests for Saturday evening and supper were Ollie Ruth, Carl Bufford and June Guthrie. Virginia Bell visited Sunday afternoon.

Darrell and Ida Mae Norwood spent the day Saturday in Denton with their daughter, Shelia. It was her birthday.

Linda Allen of Blossom and Wanda visited Joe Bailey Williams last week.

Johnnie and Nelta Musgrove and Geneva Norwood ate supper with Marie Watson Tuesday. Dena Legate and daughter Brooklyn ate lunch with Marie Sunday. Jarvis and Renea Wason ate supper with Marie Sunday night.

Barbara and Delano Dunlap spent the weekend at their home in Cunningham. Carol and Jennifer Dorsey ate lunch with Lucy Fowler Sunday. Recently Geraldine Courtney of Lubbock and Beverly Ross of Powderly visited Lucy Fowler.

Jamie Bazhaw of Dallas and friend Alethia visited Lorette Pynes Saturday.

Canard and Deloris Norwood are in for the week. Almer and Alma Norwood attended a fish fry at their home Sunday night.

Susie Norwood visited her granddaughter, Casey Ingram in Allen this weekend. She attended a basketball game in which Casey played.

Mike Fox and son Mikie have returned from a trip to Tennessee.

Dewayne and Lisa Drinnon and sons, O'Neal and Weston visited William and Nina Drinnon in Frogville, OK this weekend.

Joe and Ronda Merrill were in Atlanta, GA several days on a business trip for Texax A&M University in Commerce.

Shelly and Dustin Cox of Alvarado spent the weekend with Velma Cox. Mary Ann Gaylor of Baytown spent Saturday night. Shelly, Dustin, Ann and Velma visited Dora Hester in Paris Saturday night. All ate dinner at TaMolly's.

Stacy and Stoney Musgrove of Cunningham and the Stoney Creek Band performed at Calhoun's in Denison Friday and Saturday nights.

Rivercrest Menu
May 12-16

Monday

Lunch
Ham Sandwich
Potato Wedges
Pork & Beans
Lettuce & Tomato
Milk

Tuesday

Lunch
Pizza
Corn
Fruit
Milk

Wednesday

Lunch
Nachos with Ground Beef
Refried Beans
Salad
Cookies
Milk

Thursday

Lunch
Sliced Turkey with Gravy
Mashed Potatoes
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Carolyn Strawn, bride-elect of Jeff Gibson, was honored with a bridal shower Saturday afternoon, May 3, in the Fellowship Hall of the First Baptist Church. Approximately 40 guests registered to honor Miss Strawn.

She received a lovely assortment of gifts. The hostesses presented her with a wooden tray table set and a Mikasa crystal heart tray.

Special guests at the shower were the bride-elect's mother, Jane Strawn, and the prospective groom's mother, Brenda Gibson from Pattonville.

Out of town guests were Melanie Thomas of Bossier City, LA, Vickie Thomas of Fouke, AR, Misty Gage and Deanna Vickery of Paris, and Sue Nolen and Jean Stockton of Talco.

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RIVERCREST BAND PARENTS -association members Joy White, Bobbie Price and Sharlene Perry are pictured with High School Principal Gary VanDeaver and Band/Choir Director Worthen. The Band parents are presenting a new sound system to the music department. The sound system was bought with money raised by individual donations and proceeds from the concession stand. Booster Club members who also raised money but were unavailable for a picture were Jeanie Hoffman, Pat and Jimmy Forsythe, Gladys Tucker, Pat Reeves and Anaya Phillips. (Staff Photo)

Steve Crowston
deployed to
Mediterranean

Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class Steve Crowston, son of Rita N. and Billy W. Crowston Sr. of Rt. 1, Talco, Texas, is halfway through a six month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea aboard the guided missile destroyer USS Ramage.

Crowston is one of more than 300 sailors aboard the guided missile destroyer who departed his home port of Norfolk, VA., as part of the USS Theodore Roosevelt Battle Group. The battle group includes eight tactical aircraft squadrons, seven surface combatants, two submarines and the three-ship USS Nassau Amphibious Ready Group.

During December, USS Ramage and Naval units from six NATO countries participated in one of the largest Sixth Fleet undersea warfare exercises. The exercise was to evaluate U.S. and NATO's coordinated operations in countering submarines in shallow, intermediate and deep coastal waters.

Crowston's ship is one of the most powerful warships ever put to sea. The computer-based AEGIS weapons system is the heart of the ship's war-fighting capability. It centers around a powerful radar which enables the crew to detect, track and fire on more than 100 targets at a time.

So far Crowston has visited France, Greece and Italy.

The 1992 graduate of Mt. Vernon High School joined the Navy in June of 1996.

Upcoming events planned at the Paris YWCA

A reception to show case the art entries for professional competitive art division in the 1997 Paris Art Fair will be held from 6-8 pm on Friday, May 16 at the Party Room at Gene the Jeweler, according to Jackie Wood and Amanda Culver, professional competitive chairpersons.

Reception guests will be able to get the first opportunity to view the art entries, as well as the first opportunities to purchase any of the pieces they like.

Cost for attending the reception is \$5.00 per person. Hors d'oeuvres and light refreshments will be served. Those interested in attending should make reservations by Monday, May 12 so that food can be ordered. For more information contact the YWCA at 308 South Main in Paris or phone 785-5221.

On Saturday, May 17, 1997 children in Paris and throughout Lamar County will have the opportunity to dress as their favorite book character in Books Come Alive, a dress-up

competition sponsored by the Friends of the Library and the 1997 Paris Art Fair. The Art Fair will be held from 10 am to 5 pm on the downtown Paris Plaza.

Every child who enters will receive a ribbon and top winners will receive prizes. Children who want to enter should register at the Paris Public Library. Every child must be accompanied by an adult on the day of the event. For more information or to register, go by the Paris Public Library at 326 South Main, or phone 785-8531.

Also on Saturday, May 17 registration applications for Run for the Arts will be available at the YWCA. The race will be held preceding the Paris Art Fair.

Athlete may choose between three fun events, including a 10K run, 5K run and 2 mile walk. The routes for the events are changed from last year. The route for the 2 mile walk will be on the walking track at Dragon Park.

The 10K and the 5K Runs will be routed on the streets around Paris Junior College and toward Evergreen Cemetery.

Pre-registration for the event will continue through this Friday, May 9. Through that date, registration fees for children ages 10 and under are \$8; children 11 and over and adults are \$10. After May 10, registration fees for all ages are \$12.

Participants are divided by age category and by gender for prizes in each event. Trophies will be awarded to the first three male and the first three female overall winners for each race.

Medallions will be awarded to the first two male and first two female finisher in each age category.

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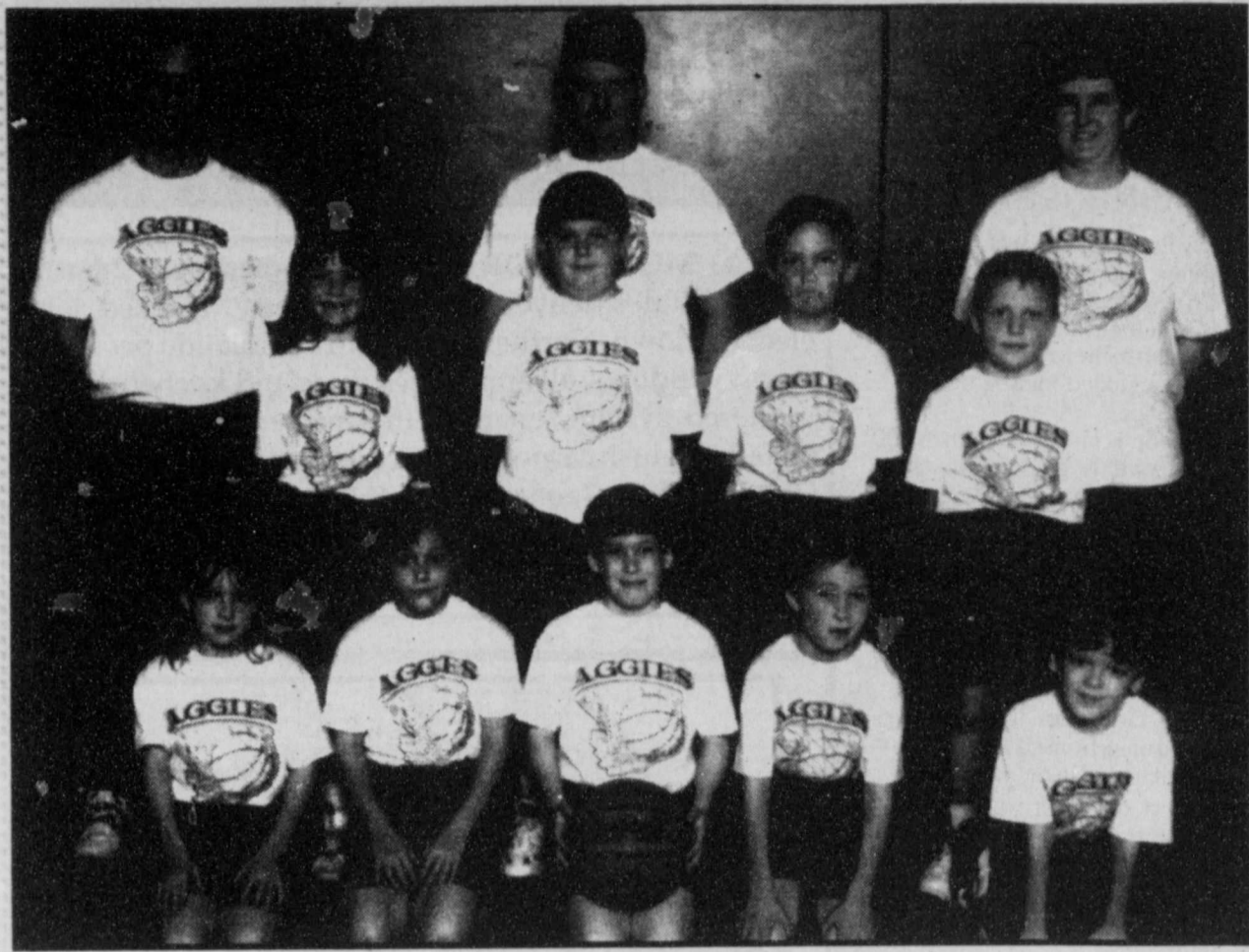
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BOGATA OUTLAWS-(from the left back row) Coach Kristie Damron, Danielle Varner, Lacy Harper, Ashley White and Christie Crawford. (from the left front row) Beckie Belcher, Tina Carder, Lindsey Robertson, Evette Galloway and Jill Shirley.

Mt. Pleasant gearing up for 32nd annual rodeo

The 32nd annual Texas Championship Rodeo will be held June 4-5-6-7 at 8:00 p.m. nightly. The rodeo is co-sponsored by the Mount Pleasant Rodeo Association, Wing Rodeo Company and CRRRA/CRA. This year, a rodeo-scholarship through Northeast Texas Community College has been originated with the 1997 fall term. A portion of the proceeds from the rodeo are going to the scholarship fund. Wednesday night is Family Night with all general admission tickets set at \$2.00. A handicapped rodeo will be held Saturday at 2:00 p.m. at the arena and Mexican Poker will be featured that night during the rodeo. Stock contractor for the rodeo is Wing Rodeo Company, headquartered in Bogata, TX. The arena is located on Greenhill Road, FM 2152, in Mt. Pleasant. Entries open June 2 at 903-846-5151.

Clarksville/Red River County Chamber of Commerce to Celebrate with Open House

The Clarksville/Red River County Chamber of Commerce will host an Open House on Thursday, May 8th during the hours of 10:00 a.m. to noon. Everyone is invited to come by for coffee and refreshments and visit with chamber directors and city and county officials to help celebrate Texas Chamber of Commerce Week. State Comptroller John Sharp, spokesman for the Texas Chamber of Commerce Week recognizes Chambers for initiating programs to help business grow and promoting Texas cities for new investment. Comptroller Sharp says programs to enhance the growth of local tax bases mean better school, improved roads and streets and smaller tax burden on homeowners. Chambers are also implementing community development programs in the areas of education, crime prevention, and leadership development, which are critical in the enhancement of local communities. Comptroller Sharp calls on Texas to join him in recognizing local chambers and their volunteers for their commitment to a better statewide community. The Clarksville/Red River County Chamber of Commerce was established in 1922 and represents over 120 business and individual members. The organization is actively working to improve Clarksville and Red River County by focusing on:

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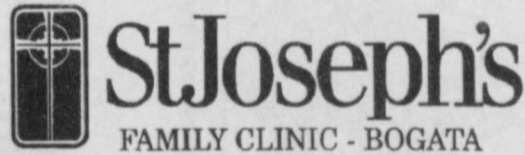
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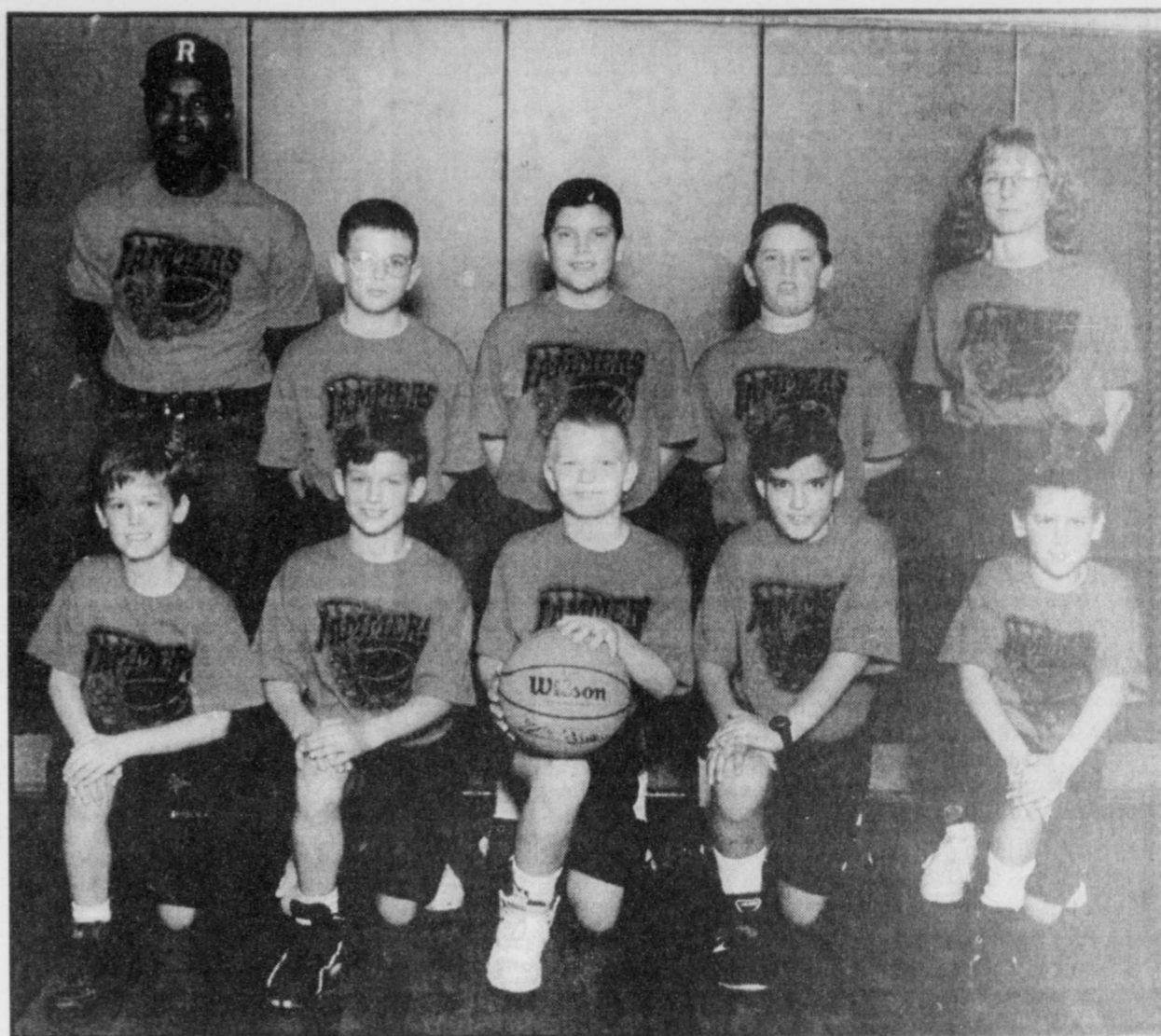
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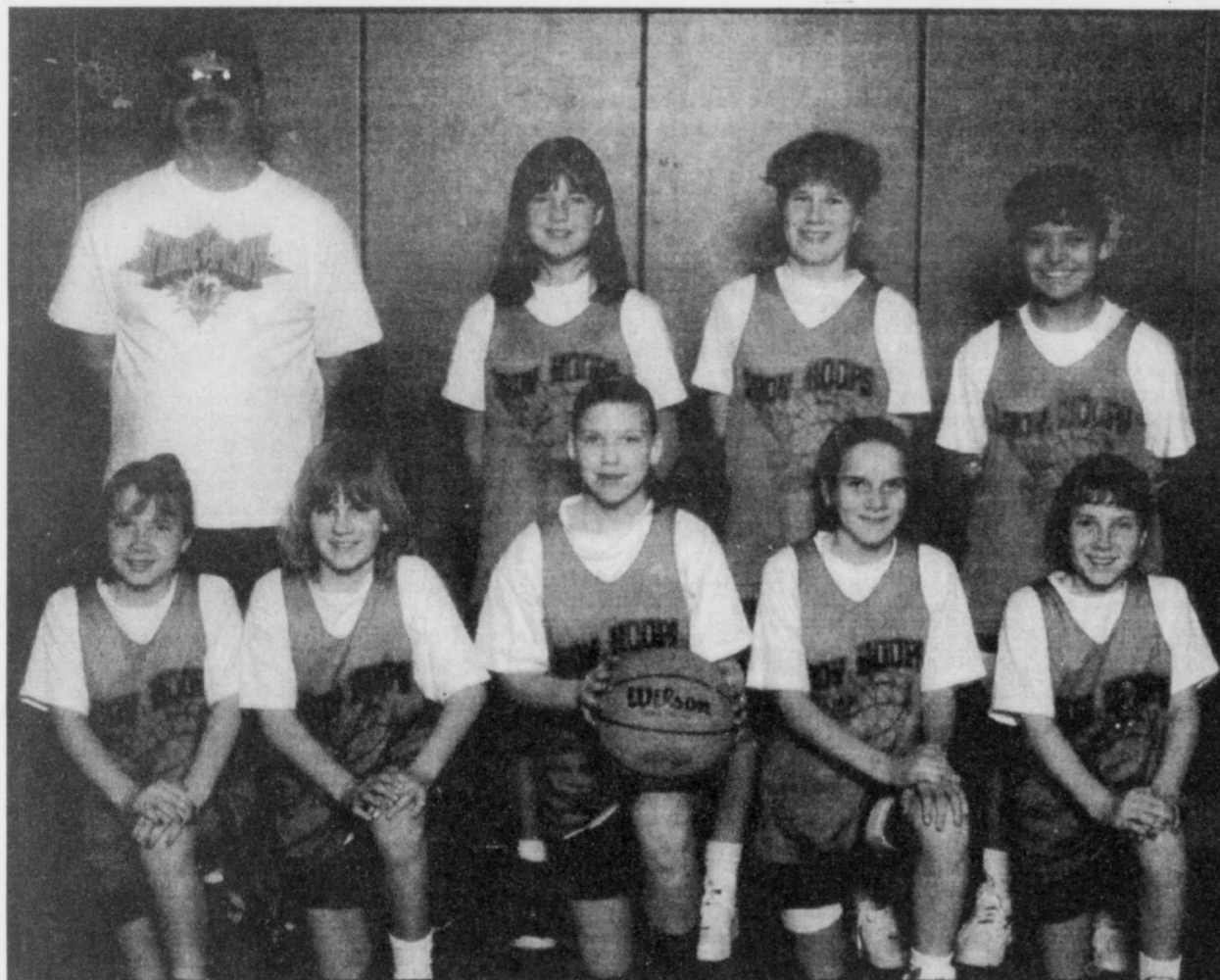
BOGATA JAMMERS-Little Dribblers for the 1997 season are (from the left back row) Coach Charlie Hines, Mathew Ross, Jared Huddleston, Chance Belcher and Coach Denise Chaloner; (front row from the left) Kelsey Stringfellow, Joe Lindsey, Micah Chaloner, Christopher Cannon and Jeffery Abernathy.



BOGATA LADY HAWKS-Little Dribblers for the 1997 season are (from the left back row) Coach Misty Earley, Duree Williams, Jessica Rose, Morgan Meredith and Coach Joe Rose; (from the left front row) Megan Horn, Gina Lindsey, Dayna Mauldin, Kellee Stieve, Koren Hawkins and Ashley Beers.



BOGATA MUSTANGS-Little Dribblers for the 1997 season are (from the left) Micheal Miles, R.C. Pitts, Keith Mauldin, Anthony Hearn, Brent Middleton and Coach Steve Middleton.



BOGATA LADY HOOPS -Little Dribblers (from the left back row) Coach Mark Hare, Mollie Hare, Erica Williams and Krystal Valenzuela; (front row from the left) Heather Hawkins, Alison Foster, Gena Haggard, Stephanie Williams and Haley Hawkins.



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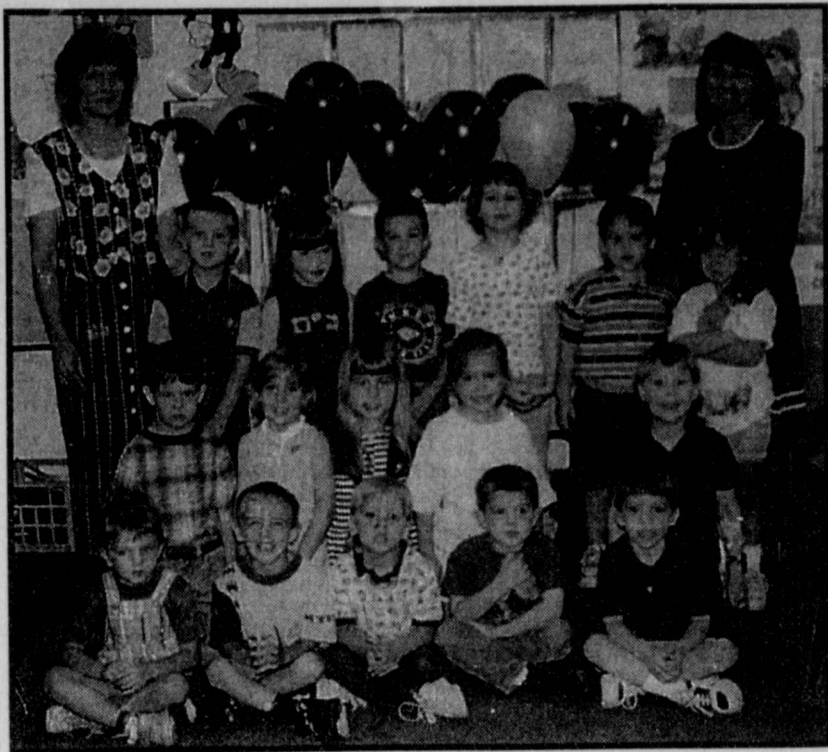


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KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UP was held at Bogata Elementary School on Friday, May 2. Pictured are Kindergarten teachers, Jamie Huddleston and Carla Palmer with next year's kindergarten students. (Staff Photo by Judy Screws)



BOGATA MAYOR Mildred Eudy presented retiring Bogata Housing Authority manager, A.D. Stephenson, with a money tree. Also pictured is Mrs. Miriam Staphenson. (Staff Photo by Judy Screws)



DO YOU RECOGNIZE-these first grade students? They were found after school hours studying in Mrs. Hudson's classroom. The unit of study was Texas and they were dressed in hats, cowboy shirts and bandanas and surrounded by symbols of Texas such as pictures of bluebonnets, longhorn cattle, Texas flags, etc.

Each honest calling, each walk of life, has its own elite, its own aristocracy based upon excellence of performance.
—James Bryant Conant



Happy Mother's Day

The East Texas Medical Center Rural Health Clinics of Bogata and DeKalb would like to announce "TEXAS HEALTH STEPS". This program is sponsored by the Texas Department of Health.

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Bogata Locals

By Judy Screws

Call 632-5322

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Screws and Tana over the weekend were Mr. and Mrs. Murl Roach, Mike, Lila, Bren, Kara and Hali Screws all from Deport and Chris Anna, Jerry, Christopher and Jerred Guerra from Paris.

Bo and Peggy Yale and Blake Watters of Fort Worth visited Christine Baker Sunday. They had lunch at the 909 Diner. Afterward they visited Ruby Corbell at Regency Nursing Center in Clarksville.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Corbell attended the Tiger Dolls' Spring Show at Mount Pleasant High School Saturday night. Their granddaughter, Whitney Corbell, is a member of the Tiger Doll Drill Team.

Visitors of Mary Joplin last week were her son, Shane Joplin and family of San Diego, CA. On Wednesday night they enjoyed visiting and dinner at the Fish Fry in Paris with

Justin and Jane Strawn, Carolyn Strawn, Kelley, Deana and Courtney Boyd, Kathy, Brandon and Kevin Williams, Kim Tippitt, Elaine, Cara and Callen Morgan.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Wilkinson of Fort Worth visited Dora Thompson Sunday.

Melanie Klein of Whitehouse spent the weekend with her parents, Sam and Sammie McConnell. Also enjoying supper on Saturday night at the McConnell's were Morris, Ginger, Jill and Alison Foster and Sissy Meredith.

Saturday, May 3, Pete and Lillian Taylor, Misty Gage, Todd and Jamie Ward traveled to Terrell to see Logan Taylor, 6 years old grandson and nephew of the above, play in a soccer tournament. Also attending the tournament were Barbara Ward, Larry, Gail, Lance and Lindsey Taylor.

Commissioner's report for April

By County Commissioner, Rickey Daniels

The month of April was probably the most productive month for us so far. I know to some it doesn't seem like it. We were able to get some material from the state and this helped us out tremendously. However, they told us which roads to put it on. So if you didn't get any of the material they is why. We had to put it on Jan-Kay Ranch road and down at Pine Branch. These roads did need it badly. I feel sure we will be getting some more this summer to put in other places. Our worst roads now are out at the Sherry Community and the Cuthand Cemetery road and the road that runs from Cuthand Cemetery road to Johntown. Hopefully, we can get those patched up in the month of May.

In April we hauled 2100 yards of the material received from the state. Also we hauled 14 loads of red rock to different roads. We also hauled 22 little loads off the yard to different bad places and hauled 5 big loads of white rock to the yard. We installed 1 culvert across the road and 1 for a driveway. We were also able to patch 2 days this month and used 28 hours of inmate labor.

In commissioner's court this month we approved for District Judge Jim Lovett to proceed with checking into renovation of the District Courtroom. It's my understanding at this time that it will not cost the county anything. We also approved acceptance of Country Club Road by Precinct 3, authorized the construction of a build-

Bogata Methodist young people meet

Twenty youth and three adults met in the Fellowship Hall for a meeting titled "Dissension in the Ranks".

Key verses were Proverbs 6: 16-19 read by John White. These verses explained that there is no place for cliques among Christians. 1 Corinthians 1: 10-12 was read by Brooke Belcher. Discussion included to not grumble with each other and find fault with each other. James 2: 1-4 was read by Jason Thomas. The group realized that God is telling us to say things to each other that are uplifting. James 5: 9 was read by Luis Torres. The group learned that God is angry with those who create problems. Among Christians, James 4: 11 was read by Eric Aldridge. This explained to us that favoritism has no room in the Christian life.

Sherry Williams provided Ham and Tuna Salad Sandwiches, chips and cokes for the group. "Thanks Sherry!"

The group began plans for the end of year program. This program will be performed on May 25 for all three churches. The theme song was practiced during closing of the meeting.

No MYF will be held next week due to Mother's Day.

The next meeting will be May 18 at 6:30 p.m. Final plans will be made on the program at this meeting.

The meeting closed with joining of hands and saying the Lord's Prayer.

May 25 will be the last MYF meeting for the 1996-97 year.

When I hear somebody sigh that "Life is hard," I am always tempted to ask, "Compared to what?"
—Sydney Harris

ing for a work program facility, approved an Inter Local agreement with the Talco-Bogata C.I.S. D., Approved the purchase of shelving units for the County Clerk's office, approved a resolution proclaiming April as Fair Housing Month, approved a request for assistance with burial expense for Billy Snodgrass. We also accepted a road in Precinct 2 as a county road and approved a request for an additional phone line in the Justice of the Peace office.

If you have and comments or questions please stop by my office or call me at 632-5963.

Bogata School Menu
May 12-16



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| <p>Monday</p> <p>Breakfast
Cereal & Toast
Jelly
Juice, Milk</p> <p>Lunch
Pizza
Corn
Fruit
Pickle Spears
Crackers
Dessert
Milk</p> | <p>Tuesday</p> <p>Breakfast
Donuts
Cereal
Juice & Milk</p> <p>Lunch
Corn Chip Pie
Beans
Salad
Dessert
Milk</p> | <p>Wednesday</p> <p>Breakfast
Sausage, Biscuit & Gravy
Jelly
Juice & Milk</p> <p>Lunch
Hot Dogs
Cheese Sticks
Tater Tots
Pork & Beans
Fruit
Crackers
Milk</p> | <p>Thursday</p> <p>Breakfast
Waffles & Syrup
Graham Crackers & Peanut Butter
Juice & Milk</p> <p>Lunch
Chicken & Dumplings
Green Beans
Carrots
Milk</p> | <p>Friday</p> <p>Breakfast
Cereal, Toast, Jelly
Juice & Milk</p> <p>Lunch
Cheeseburgers
Salad & Pickles
Beans
Chips
Ice Cream
Milk</p> |
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The tallest woman basketball player was Juliana Semenova who played on the 1976 Russian Olympic team and stands seven feet two inches tall.

Card of Thanks

Special thanks to the hostesses for the wonderful retirement party and all the friends who attended.

The refreshments, cards and money tree were appreciated.

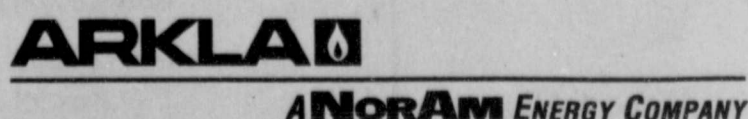
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A.D. & Miriam Stephenson

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 GREETING: You are commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the plaintiff's petition at or before 10 o'clock a.m. of the first Monday after the expiration of 42 days from the date of issuance of this Citation, the same being Monday the 19th of May, 1997, at or before 10 o'clock a.m., before the Honorable 62nd Court of Lamar County, at the Courthouse in Paris, Texas, said plaintiff's petition was filed on 05/14/96.
 The file number of said suit being No. 63288.
 The names of the parties in said suit are:
 Alma Young Spence vs. Ebb C. Young, Seth B. Ray, Jr., Joe Louis Ray, Jesse Owens Ray, Inez Young Maynard, Ann Nichols, Benita Young Holmes, Ada R. Young, Linda Young, Leroy Young, Elaine Young and Joseph Young.
 The nature of the said suit being substantially as follows, to-wit: A suit for partition of land situated in Lamar County, Texas being 604.33 acres, a part of the W.K. Revier survey A784, and 97/98 acres, a part of the L.W. Tinnin Survey A924. That said real estate be partitioned among such joint owners as provided by law, and that the property be divided, or in the alternative that it be sold, and if the property is sold, that the proceeds be distributed among the lawful owners, and that plaintiff have such other and further relief that she may be entitled to in law or in equity.
 The interests of each of the named defendants is as follows:
 Ebb C. Young, 1/10 undivided interest; Seth B. Ray, Jr., Joe Louis Ray and Jesse Owens Ray, each owns an undivided 1/30 interest; Inez Young Maynard, Benita Young, Ada R. Young, Linda Young, Leroy Young, Elaine Young and Joseph Young, each owns an undivided 1/80 interest in the 604.33 acres in the W.K. Revier Survey A784; and Lot No. 6, 8.166 acres, in the L.W. Tinnin Survey is jointly owned by defendants Seth B. Ray, Jr., Joe Louis Ray and Jesse Owens Ray; Lots No. 5, 7 and 8, 73.492 acres, are owned by plaintiff Alma Young Spence; and Lots 3 and 4, 16.332 acres, are jointly owned by Alma Spence, 14/40 interest; Seth B. Ray, Jr., Joe Louis Ray and Jesse Owens Ray, undivided 1/10 interest; and Inez Young Maynard, Ann Nichols, Benita Young Holmes, Ada R. Young, Linda Young, LeRoy Young, Elaine Young and Joseph Young, an undivided 1/80 interest.
 The name and address of the attorney for plaintiff, or the address of plaintiff is: Leighton Cornett, 14 Clarksville Street, Paris, Texas 75460.
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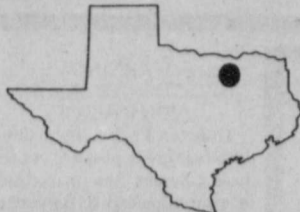
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JOHNTOWN LOCALS
By Jana Hawkins
632-5174



Gene Hawkins celebrated his birthday on Wednesday with lunch at Grandy's. He received calls from Reverend Bob Bush, Children, Kay and C.O. Magee, Jr. of Galveston, Roger and Suzanne Hawkins of Corpus Christi, other remembrances from granddaughters; Kimberly Magee of San Francisco and Kristin Magee Ward of Houston, nieces; Mary Dryden Stahl of Longview and Cinda Rivers Wright of Oklahoma City.

Charles Dryden of Longview visited Gene and Lydia Hawkins Friday evening.

Visitors over the weekend with the Gene Hawkins' were Roger and Suzanne Hawkins. They were here for the Vaughan-Hawkins reunion on Saturday. Everyone enjoyed being together, the weather was beautiful, lots of delicious food and lots of reminiscing and picture taking.

Gene and Lydia Hawkins enjoyed having Reba Cecil, Steve and LaDonna Cecil of Silver City, New Mexico for dinner on Monday. Reba is moving to Silver City this week after selling her home in Talco. Reba grew up in Johntown and has many friends who will miss her as well as friends in Talco.

Sunday lunch guests of Robbie Hawkins were Kathy, Ryan, Koren,

Seth and Seton Hawkins, Brother Bobby and Chessie Clark, Mark, Jana Haley and Heather Hawkins.

James and Clara Gaddis and Drue and Billie Pirtle enjoyed a trip to New Orleans Monday through Wednesday of last week.

Lana and Clay Pirtle were home for the weekend.

Tommy Lee and Joyce Cox visited Don Wilson of Bogata Monday afternoon.

Patty and Ladona Couch of Paris visited Victor Lynn and Patsy and Dustin Cox Sunday.

Lucille Childers and Doug Hawkins attended the Vaughan-Hawkins reunion on Saturday.

Toni and Butch Combest visited and attended church Sunday with Lucille Childers.

Clay Pirtle's friend, John, from Rockwall spent the night Saturday.

Vance Pirtle, Stephanie and Lindsey Fischer and their friend, Heather, were Sunday lunch guests of Drue and Billie Pirtle. Afternoon swimming guests were Jana, Heather and Heather Hawkins.

Visitors of Drue and Billie Pirtle were Chad and Erin Martin, Jared Guest, Donna Strain and Robbie Hawkins.



CARE 1ST INC.-employees are pictured in front of the "Think Child Safety" sign on North Howison Street in Bogata. The sign was purchased by the company and donated to the City of Bogata.

Staff photo Judy Screws



FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE LADIES from Johntown, Jana Hawkins, Billie Ruth Pirtle, Jerry Ann Richardson and Kathy Hawkins, held a bake sale in front of Guaranty Bank-Bogata on May 2. (Staff Photo by Judy Screws)

From Here To There
A Series About Day Trips from This Area To Places of Interest



By Dawne Darden

Most of you have been to or through Mt. Vernon. It's not really a full "day trip" from most of this area, but it is a pleasant town and there is more to see and do there than one might imagine.

Mt. Vernon, in Franklin County, lies on Hwy... 37 South and is very close to Interstate 30.

The area was settled in 1830 by Joshua T. Johnson and named Keith's for Stephen Keith, who donated 24 acres for a townsite when a post office was established. Two years later the name changed to Lone Star in reference to the nickname of Texas, but some confusion developed with a community of the same name elsewhere. At the first commissioner's court meeting held in J.E. Brook's barn, after the county was established in 1875, saloons, gambling and racetracks were outlawed and a new name, honoring George Washington's home in Virginia was selected, thus it became Mt. Vernon.

Mt. Vernon is the county seat of Franklin county and has an attractive square and a colonial styled courthouse in keeping with it's namesake.

One of the most charming things about the town is a project undertaken some years ago that has small signs in the front yards of older homes with historical interest. These name the original builders, or identify how the house is known, and list the current owners and the date the house was built.

There is a driving tour (the chamber of commerce can give you a brochure and map) of homes, and many of them are worth seeing.

There is a small library, a nice little fountain, a museum in the old depot building that has lots of farm equipment, and some very attractive shops. Antique shops, ice cream parlors, old fashioned soda fountains and a pizza place or cajun cafe make a walk around or just off the small square delightful.

Out towards the interstate there are more good eateries, and there is the added attraction of miles of beautiful country roads, especially pretty during the spring. Watch for the jewels of small blue birds darting along fences rows.

Dairy cattle are in evidence there, as well as beef cattle, and nearby Lake Cypress Springs is surrounded by tall pines. Bass fishing, boating, jet skiing are really good on the lake.

Every year the town has Festiv'All, a Fine Arts and Ethnic East Texas event, always held the weekend after July 4th. There is an art show, courthouse concert, historical reenactments, exhibits, ethnic food booths, car show, evening street dance and much more.

There are three bed and breakfasts, all of which will do dinner by reservation, all in charming houses.

Take some time to explore this pretty small town. The Franklin County Chamber of Commerce can be called at 1-800-265-3195 or 903-537-4365.

This time, don't just pass through Mt. Vernon, stop and enjoy!

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