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By Nanalee Nichols  
WHAT did you say?

I would like to sell my home, pack up an move. Failing that, how would I look as a blond with a totally different face? I've embarrassed myself enough lately. I don't want to have to see these people again.

It all began last Saturday night at a fire department fund raiser.

Since the primaries are really close, there are a lot of people running for political office to be greeted.

Now I've met our State Representative, Mark Homer, many times. I'm never good at faces, and this face has always been attached to a nice dark suit. So, when he came in the door at the fund raiser comfortably dressed in jeans and a loose shirt with a cap, I didn't recognize him.

He was handing out blue bonnet seeds with his campaign information on the back when I said cheerfully "Where's Mark tonight?"

His reply of "I'm Mark" absolutely, positively made me want to die of embarrassment, but the worst was yet to come.

A few minutes later Lamar County Attorney Kerye Ashmore sat down across from us while we were eating.

"Hello" he said.

Coolly, I said "Hi, Kerye" and proceeded to knock over an entire glass of iced tea which soaked his tray of chili, cornbread and dessert.

Talk about embarrassed! At least I didn't soak him down.

I suppose I was as red as a beet when I slunk off to hide behind the auction table, keep my head down and write down auction item numbers.

But, it can always be worse.

Monday morning Cindy, Mike and I were at the office.

We had long since forgotten that there is a nice, older woman upstairs doing research with the old papers.

Our conversation will NOT be repeated. Suffice it to say it was tasteless, loud and true, but probably not to the lady who was coming down the stairs at that moment and said timidly "Do you have a flashlight?"

That did it. I've embarrassed myself enough for a few days.

I've embarrassed myself publicly and in my own office. I don't need to do this anymore.

But what really got me is that Mike RAN out the door, too embarrassed to face the lady, and Cindy shot to the back to hide from her. Thanks, guys, for standing beside me in my moment of humiliation.

Enough with the red faced embarrassments. Next time I'm going to flee and leave someone else to face the music.

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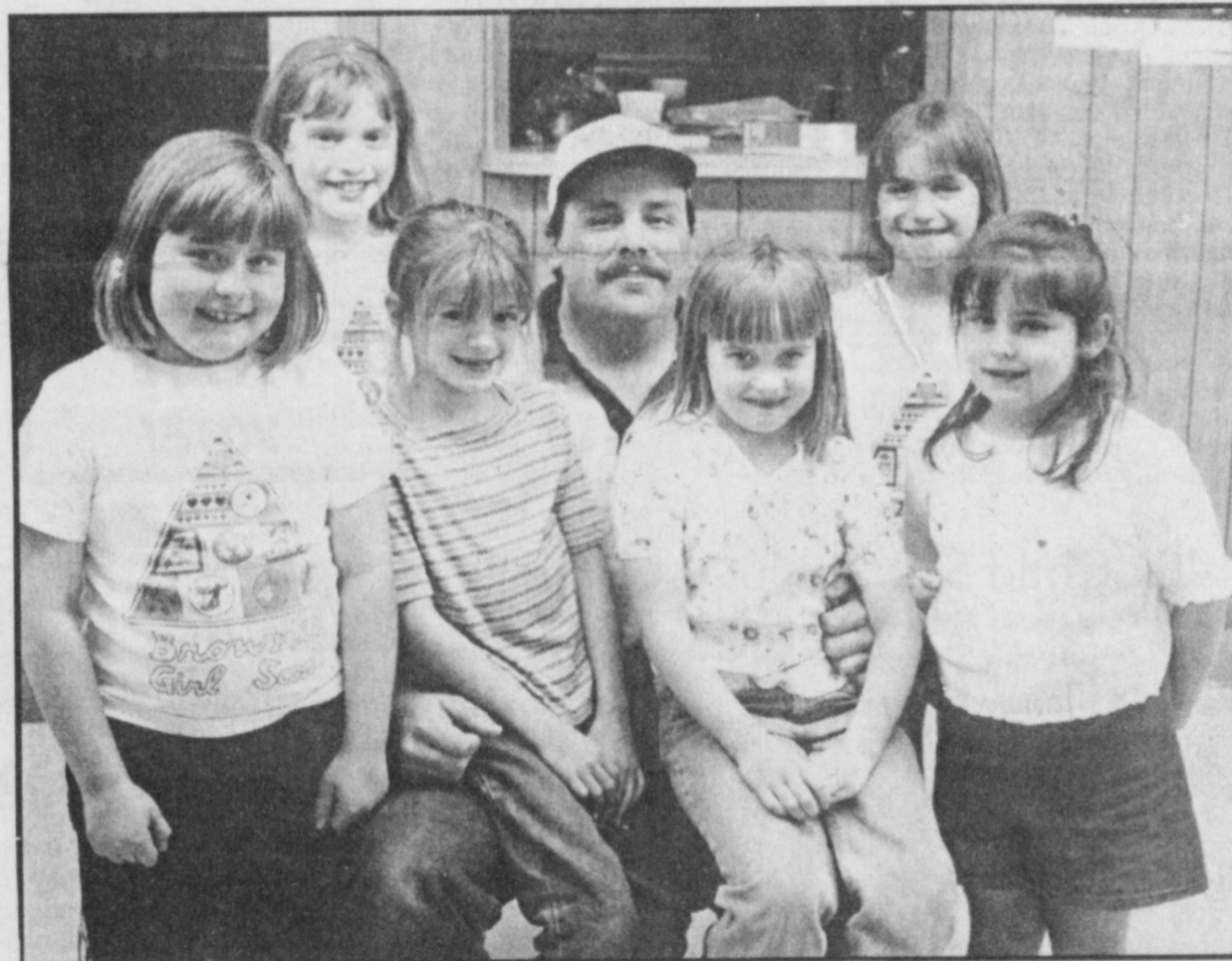
BOGATA, RED RIVER COUNTY, TEXAS

Thursday, March 9, 2000

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THE FIRST RSVP-meeting was held at the new Bogata Library/Museum on Tuesday morning at 10:00 a.m. The RSVP (Retired Senior Volunteer Program) president, RoJuan Partridge, Janet Fortner RSVP Volunteer Coordinator, Nancy Bren, Red River Chamber of Commerce President, Miriam Stephenson, Bogata Library/Museum Board President, Kasey Crawford, Red River County Ambassador from Bogata along with many other distinguished guests were in attendance. The RSVP represents Hopkins, Lamar and Red River Counties and Mrs. Partridge gave a short program on the activities of the group. Following the meeting guest were served coffee and enjoyed visiting and learning more about RSVP. Pictured are; (from the left) Nancy Bren, RoJuan Partridge, Kasey Crawford, Miriam Stephenson and Janet Fortner.



SAFETY AWARENESS-Bogata Brownie Troop # 131 earned their Safety Try-It-Badge recently. Pictured are Kaley Stringfellow, Callie Anderson, Kari Taylor, Charles Don Lewis of the Bogata First Responders, Tamara Moore, Kaitlan Perkins and Taylor Stafford.

## Abduction attempt fails

Red River County Sheriff Bob Edrington reported that Saturday, March 4, a deputy responded to a call on CR4426 south of Avery in reference to an attempted abduction.

The complainant stated that three white subjects, two males with blond hair and one female with dark hair, pulled up into their yard, grabbed his small child and pulled him into a white late model car with green, possibly Oklahoma license plates.

When the other children began yelling, the suspects then threw the child out of their car into the ditch and drove away at a high rate of speed.

The complainants advised the car could have been possibly a Grand Am that may have had four doors. The car was last seen traveling west-bound on CR4426.

The young child was scratched and badly shaken, but is home safe and doing fine.

## Letters To Editor

Dear Editor:

The Red River County Courthouse Citizens' Restoration Committee wishes to thank everyone who sent in the wonderful, very positive letters supporting the courthouse restoration project.

Over 1,000 letters were received by the Commissioners' Court. They will be submitted with the grant application to the Texas Historical Commission in March.

We also wish to thank those who have sent in pledges totaling over \$95,000.00. This is a big step toward reaching Larry Towne's "challenge grant" of \$250,000.00.

We still have a long way to go. The fund raising phase of the project will continue, as we must raise enough money to completely restore our historic courthouse, to assist with expenses of temporary relocation of courthouse personnel during the restoration period and to provide a permanent maintenance fund to preserve the courthouse in the future.

We need all interested persons to contact family, friends and former residents to inform them of the project and to request their financial support. Packets of information may be obtained from the office of County Judge L.D. Williamson in the courthouse annex, 200 N. Walnut St., Clarksville or from the Red River County Chamber of Commerce office, 101 N. Locust Street, Clarksville or call the Chamber office at 903-427-2645 for additional information.

Also visit our web site at <http://www.red-river.net/restoration.htm> for information and to keep up with progress on the project.

Thanks to all who have supported this project and helped in many ways.

Sincerely,  
Red River County Courthouse  
Citizens' Restoration Committee

To the publisher:

I have enjoyed reading the columns by Jack Dodd over the past several months concerning his memory of passed Bogata and the surrounding area. This has brought up an idea that might be of use to the Bogata Museum as well as Bogata News.

This would be that all readers of Bogata News write and submit a column, for publishing of their remembrance of early Bogata. I plan on submitting one myself. All of these would help the Bogata Museum. After the columns are published, they would go to the museum for a collection as memories of the people who lived there. Maybe some of them would be conflicting or incorrect, but they would be how the writers remembered these events in their minds.

Respectfully,  
Tom J. Dozier  
Torrance, CA

## Fish Fry to be held at Hagensport

A fish fry will be held at the Hagensport Community Center on Saturday, March 11, 2000. Serving will begin at 5:00 p.m. and will end at 7:00 p.m.

All proceeds will go to the Community Center and Volunteer Fire Department. The price for the meal is your donation. Everyone is invited to attend for a good meal and fun evening while helping the community continue to provide the center and fire protection for its residents. For more information call 632-4248.

CORRECTION

We apologize for our mistake. We inadvertently identified the winner of the Red River County Chamber of Commerce Pioneer Award and Sunkle Award as Larry Smith. His name is Larry Moore. We are sorry.

## Talco/Bogata PTO to host supper/talent show

The Talco and Bogata PTO's will host a chicken spaghetti supper and talent show at Rivercrest High School on April 8, 2000. The supper will begin at 5:00 p.m. and will include chicken spaghetti, salad, beans, dessert and tea for \$4.00 per place. As an option a child's plate including one slice of pizza and koolade will be \$1.00 per plate.

The talent show will begin at 7:00

p.m. Adult tickets will be \$2.00 and student tickets will be \$1.00. Participants for the show will be by invitation only.

Advance tickets will be sold by Talco and Bogata PTO members. Everyone is encouraged to come out and enjoy the meal and show and support the PTO's who use their earnings to purchase needed items for their schools.

### Editor's Quotes

As the tree is fertilized by its own broken branches and fallen leaves, and grows out of its own decay, so men and nations are bettered and improved by trial and refined out of broken hopes and blighted expectations.

## Brownie Troop # 131 earns safety badge

The Bogata Brownie Troop # 131 earned their Safety Try-It-Badge at their weekly meeting February 29, 2000.

Charles Don Lewis of the Bogata First Responders was the guest speaker. He presented the troop with the basic discussion of fire safety, first aid, tornado awareness and much more. The troop was educated on the proper techniques of the Heimlich Maneuver. The girls also enjoyed a

question and answer session. Many interesting and unique questions were asked.

A part of the Brownie's agenda is to try new things. They have a variety of Try-IT Badges. This Safety Badge will be the troops 8th badge earned this year. The troop is under the supervision of Kathy Stringfellow and Denise Wood.

## Bogata Homecoming to be held Saturday, April 8, 2000

The Bogata Homecoming will be held on Saturday, April 8, 2000 and is planned around lunch. Lunch will be served from 12:00 noon to 1:30 p.m. No reservations are necessary.

The gym will be open at 10:00 a.m. for those who wish to meet before lunch. Following lunch there will be a program, business meeting and visiting in the school gym. Hosts for this

year are classes of 1952 and 1953. For more information you may call; Mary Ann Alsbrook Williams at 632-4013, Frances Mayes Rozell at 632-5752 or Mary Margaret Barnard Vaughan at 632-5221.

Mark your calendar and make plans to attend for a fun day of seeing old friends, making new friends and sharing a good meal.



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### March 7 & 9

The Talco and Bogata students will be participating in UIL competitions on Tuesday and Thursday this week. The students are expected to return to their individual campuses between 6:30 and 7:00 p.m. on both evenings. Parents are encouraged to be awaiting their children.

### April 8

Plan to attend the Talco/Bogata Chicken Spaghetti Supper and Talent Show at Rivercrest High School on April 8, 2000. Supper will begin at 5:00 p.m. and the Talent Show will begin at 7:00 p.m.

A ring of keys was found in Bogata and turned in to the Bogata News office. Call to identify, 632-5322.

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

**First Mondays**  
NAMI (National Alliance for the Mentally Ill) Consumers meeting will be held on the first Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church located at 4th and Madison in Mt. Pleasant, Tx. All interested persons are invited to attend.

**Notice**  
Alcoholics Anonymous beginning in July will meet on every Wednesday only at 8 p.m. in the St. Joseph's Catholic Church Rec. Room in Clarksville. Everyone is Welcome.  
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Obituaries

**Country Cooking**  
By Liz Irwin  
<http://tpp.1starnet.com/>



Our cooks this week comes to us from the Lone Oak community near Deport. He is Jake Mauraschat. Jake has been coming up to the paper recently and giving us some tips about our computers. He is one of these people that learned from hands-on experience and very hands-on to have around in case of a "bomb", as we call them here at the paper.

Jake and his wife Barbara are also the new owner-operators of the Lone Oak Pet Camp. It is a kennel that gives complete care for your pets. Barbara is a counselor in the Mt. Pleasant School District.

Jake does not particularly care for our American cooking. Since he was born in Marelurg, Germany and is a naturalized American citizen, he enjoys his German-style food. He says that American cooking is too fatty, too sweet, much too greasy with too much sugar. So he has let us have a few of his favorite recipes to

see the difference.

By the way, I threw in one of my own I discovered last week and made it Sunday for dinner and it was fantastic. It just happened to be a German Chocolate Upside Down Cake! No offense Jake!

Hope you enjoy these and we will see you in the kitchen.

**German Gulasch**—this "goulash" recipe is different from ours; where we use ground beef and cook the noodles with the mixture.

**Deutsches Rotkraut or German Red Cabbage**—German version of sauerkraut. . . some different than what we are used to!

**Marmor Kuchen or Chocolate Marble Cake**—note the difference of ingredients from the next cake recipe!

**German Chocolate Upside Down Cake**—maybe this one is a little more sweeter with more oil, but it sure is good!

**Fulbright News**  
By Betty Rodgers  
652-6051

Last weekend Betty Rodgers, Monte and Shelly Rodgers of Tigertown visited Bernice Thomas of Boyd.

Boyd Cavender is a resident of Deport Nursing Home now.

Betty Rodgers, Melissa and Gilbert Arriaga attended the funeral for E.C. Stafford of Hobbs, NM in the husband of Ruby Roberts Stafford, sister of Betty Rodgers.

Several from here attended the Deport Fire Department fundraiser Saturday night.

Mrs. Kyle King of Reno came Tuesday and took Jimmie King to Paris for a doctor's appointment. Bobbye and Duane King of Woodland met them for lunch at Chili's.

Bill Hammer of Aikin Grove and his daughter, Patsy Cox of Childress visited Jimmie King Tuesday.

Duane and Bobbye King of Woodland had lunch with Jimmie King Wednesday.

Dick King of Paris spent Saturday with his mother, Jimmie.

Randy Osburn of Midlothian spent Saturday night with his grandmother, Jimmie.

**Charlotte Bishop dies February 29**

Charlotte Bishop, age 51 of the Lone Star community, died February 29 at East Texas Medical Center, Tyler.

Services were held March 2 at 10:00 a.m. in Lindeman Chapel of Clarksville Funeral Home with Rev. Don Shovan officiating. Burial followed in Lone Star Cemetery under the direction of Clarksville Funeral Home.

She was born June 12, 1948 in Red River County, a daughter of Carl and Blanche Thomas Childres. She was a housewife and member of the Lone Star Methodist Church.

Surviving are her father, Carl Childres of Lone Star; a son, Junior Bishop of Lone Star; a daughter, Carla and John Cope of Paris; a sister, Shelia Martin and husband, Ken of Falfurrias; brothers, Tommy Childres and wife, Julia of Fulbright and Eddie Childres and wife, Mary of Coppell; and two grandchildren, Talon Bishop of Lone Star and Charlee Cope of Paris.

She was preceded in death by her mother in April, 1995.

Bearers were Tracy Williams, Chad Jones, Mark Brockway, Tommy Strickland, Clyde Johnson and James H. Johnson.

**Hazel Annetta Lamb dies March 4**

Hazel Annetta Lamb, age 81 of Deport, formerly of Michigan, died Saturday, March 4 in Christus St. Joseph's Hospital, Paris.

Wood Funeral Homes had charge of cremation arrangements.

She was born September 15, 1918 in Hillman, Michigan, the daughter of Robert M. and Mildred Calhoun Isabell Brown. She was a member of the Eagles Lodge #3292 of Gladion, Michigan.

She was preceded by her husbands, Orville Wright in 1973 and James Lamb in 1984; a son, Ralph Wright; and two brothers, Paul Brown and Dale G. Brown.

She is survived by a daughter, Patricia Faust of Franklin, NC; a daughter and son-in-law, Sunny and James Whitney of Deport; one brother, Robert J. Brown of Carson City, Nevada; eight grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

**Mrs. Bessie Chesshire dies March 4**

Mrs. Bessie Chesshire, age 81 of Bogata, died Saturday, March 4 at her residence.

Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, March 7 in the Bogata Assembly of God Church with Rev. Bobby Freeman and Rev. Bill Pirtle officiating. Burial was in Bogata Cemetery under the direction of Wood Funeral Home.

Mrs. Chesshire was born April 22, 1918 in Arkansas, the daughter of Stenson Carroll and Annie Hunley Pruitt. She married James Riley Chesshire on August 12, 1936. He died June 11, 1974. She was also preceded in death by a daughter, Dixie Diffie on October 9, 1995.

She is survived by three sons, Jimmy Chesshire of Bogata, Vance Churtis Chesshire of Bonnerdale, AR; three daughters, Barbara Means of Detroit, Bobbie Thomas and Shelia Davidson of Clarksville; a number of grandchildren and great-grandchildren; two brothers, Vernon Pruitt of Clarksville and Alvin Pruitt of Ft. Worth; three sisters, Gladys Tucker, Mildred Tucker and Nadine Gore, all of Bogata.

March 9, 2000  
Jake Mauraschat-Lone Oak

**German Gulasch**  
2 pounds beef round or arm roast-cut into bite-size cubes  
4 tablespoons oil  
3 onions-chopped  
dash of salt  
1 tablespoon paprika  
2 cloves garlic-minced  
dash pepper  
dash sugar  
1-2 cups beef broth  
1 cup sour cream

Brown beef in hot oil. Add onion, garlic, paprika, pepper, sugar and salt. Pour the broth over meat and simmer for 1-1/2 hours. Thicken with sour cream. Serve with potatoes, rice or noodles.

**Deutsches Rotkraut (German Red Cabbage)**  
1 red cabbage-shredded  
5-1/2 tablespoons shortening  
3 tablespoons vinegar  
2 tablespoons sugar  
salt and pepper to taste  
1 medium onion  
10 cloves  
1-2 medium apples-peeled and cubed  
1 cup beef broth

Stick cloves in onion. Heat shortening and add onion to brown. Add the cabbage, sugar, salt and pepper. Add vinegar and apples and stir. Pour hot beef broth over and simmer on very low heat for one hour. Before serving, remove the onion and cloves.

**Marmor Kuchen (Chocolate Marble Cake)**  
1 cup butter  
1 cup sugar  
2 cups flour  
5 eggs  
dash salt  
2 teaspoons baking powder  
1 teaspoon finely grated lemon peel  
3 tablespoons cocoa

Put flour in mixing and add the other ingredients except cocoa. Mix for 2-3 minutes. Take half of batter and mix with cocoa. Pour the batter, alternating intervals into a greased and floured springform tube pan. Swirl with fork. Bake at 350 degrees for one hour.

**German Chocolate Upside Down Cake**  
1 cup flaked coconut  
1 cup chopped pecans  
1 package German chocolate cake mix  
3 large eggs  
1-1/4 cups water  
1/4 cup vegetable oil  
1 package cream cheese  
1/2 cup butter or margarine  
2 cups powdered sugar-sifted

Grease a 13x9x2-inch pan. Line with wax paper and grease paper or spray with Pam. Sprinkle coconut and pecans on bottom of prepared pan; set aside. Combine cake mix, eggs, water and oil in large bowl; mix according to package directions. Spoon batter over coconut and pecans. Combine cream cheese and butter in saucepan; cook over low heat, stirring often, until butter melts and mixture is smooth. Stir in powdered sugar. Spoon mixture evenly of top of batter. Bake at 350 degrees for 40-45 minutes. Cool in pan on wire rack for 10 minutes; invert cake onto serving plate. Remove and discard wax paper.

**Mrs. Johnnie Warren honored on 90th birthday**

Mrs. Johnnie Warren of Deport was honored Sunday, March 5 with a party in the Fellowship Hall of First Baptist Church Deport to celebrate her 90th birthday. She was born March 6, 1910, a daughter of John and Martha Boze Allen.

Attending the party other than the honoree were: her sister, Mrs. Lucy Fowler of Deport, Barbara and Delano Dunlap, Keith, Pam and Brook Medlin and Alyssa Dunlap all of Mesquite, T.J. and Margaret Fowler and Melanie and Colt Moore of Pattonville, Carol and Jennifer Dorsey of Deport, J.R. and Neva Byrd of Hurst, Geraldine Courtney of Lubbock, Mary Ann and Frank Stogall of Sudan, Brenda and David Regal and Bonnie and Tessa Ross of Powderly, Wendy Smith of Paris, Barbi, Megan, Cody and Josh Galyan of Hugo, Pete Wilkerson of Reno, Martha Shannon of Euleus, Rodger and Anna Beth Allen of Deport, Andra Dixon of Paris, Kenneth Harold and Ruth Ann Allen of Deport, Kenda Blackburn of Reno, Don and Linda Driggers of Paris, Rhonda Dockray of Sylvan, John, Phebe and Hollie Allen of Deport, Evelyn Roach of Deport, Judy and Tana Screws of Bogata, Mike, Lila, Bren, Kara and Hali Screws of Deport, Chris Anna and Jerry Guerra of Milton, Beth and Kaitlyn Spray of Blossom, John and Cokie Roach and Jenny Asbery of Deport, Glenda King of Roxton, Becky Proctor of Bells, Elois Sparks of Deport, Joyce and Weldon Smith of Bogata, James and Dorothy Holt of Milton, Reverend and Mrs. Freddie Burden of Deport, JoAnn Henson and Janice and Lewis Ingram.

Birthday cake, punch, ice cream, mints and nuts were served by the nieces. Mrs. Warren received a money tree and many nice gifts. A pleasant afternoon was spent visiting and taking pictures.

**Card of Thanks**

Dear Friends,

Since the last day of December, our lives have been on a roller coaster ride. You have made this time in Houston and M.D. Anderson easier by all your calls, cards, gifts, thoughts and prayers. Hearing from some of you daily has kept us going on the down days and brought us delight in the better days.

We cannot tell you how much we appreciate each of your kindnesses. We can only to pass on our thoughtfulness to others in need. Keep us in your prayers.

Thanks again,  
Paul and Shirley Marr

**Card of Thanks**

I would like to thank all my family and friends for my wonderful 90th birthday party. Special thanks to Lucy, Geraldine and Evelyn.

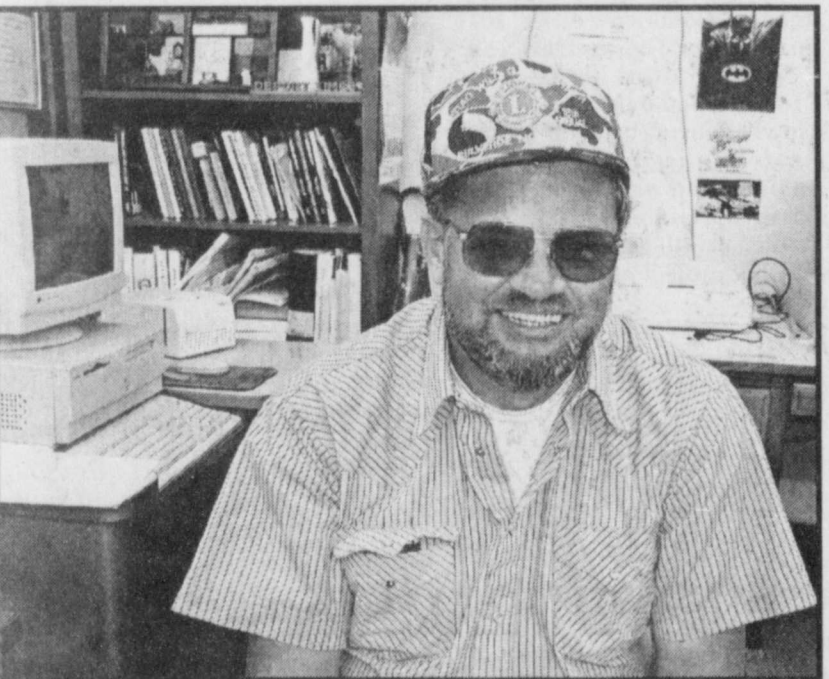
May God bless you.  
Johnnie Warren

**VOTE AS YOU PLEASE, BUT PLEASE VOTE!**

The world of funeral service is constantly changing. Many of family owned funeral homes have given way to corporations that for whatever reason fail to give the individual service that has long since been the trademark of the funeral industry. Casket stores & burial societies have tried to place the emphasis on ways of saving you money with no thoughts to service and the personnel that provide them. Long after a funeral is ended it won't be the type of casket or how nice the funeral home was decorated that will be remembered by the family. What will be remembered is the caring service offered by a compassionate staff that allowed the family to express their grief in a way that was healing for them. That is something that you can't put a price on—something that cannot be discounted.

The James Wood Family prides itself on service and individuality. We believe that a funeral service is a testimony to the life of the deceased. There is no price that can be put on such a gift. The memory of the loved one should be one of fondness and cherished memories, not hindered by financial stress and worries. We will be most happy to talk with you anytime about the services that we provide for our families. Let us know how we can help.

**Wood Funeral Homes**  
The James Wood Family  
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**COOK OF THE WEEK** is Jake Mauraschat of the Deport area. He is a naturalized U.S. citizen, originally from Germany and is now the owner and operator of the Lone Oak Pet Camp south of Deport. (Staff Photo)

**Think Child Safety 2000 is coming!**

The Think Child Safety 2000 will be held in Red River County on March 25 from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. at the fairgrounds in Clarksville.

Meet McGruff the Crime Dog, Reddy Teddy and Louie the Light-nig Bug.

Free hot dogs, Frito Lay chips, popcorn, cookies and Coke for all will be given.

Over 35 area agencies will be participating and over \$500 in door prizes will be given away!

**Open House to honor Boyce & Eva Flenniken**

An open house will be held on Sunday, March 19 to honor Boyce and Eva Flenniken. Appointed hours are from 2 until 4 p.m.

Directions to their home are: take Hwy. 271 north from Deport approximately 1 mile. Turn left on Lamar CR 15400, and then turn right on Lamar CR 15350. Their home is the first house on the left.

The couple cordially requests no gifts.

**Lennox Center to host "safe sitter" clinic**

The Lennox Center in Clarksville will host a safe sitter clinic on Monday and Tuesday, March 13-14 from 9 a.m. until 3:30 p.m.

The clinic is open to 11 to 13 year old boys and girls. Cost of the clinic is \$38.00 per student which includes a snack, lunch, workbook, backpack, supplies and certificate.

Registration must be received by Laurie Pryor at 428-8500 by Tuesday, March 7. Space is limited.

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### Crystal Nicole Bell-John Wesley Davidson wed

Crystal Nicole Bell of Bogata and John Wesley Davidson of Bogata were united in marriage in a double ring ceremony on February 5, 2000 at six o'clock in the evening at the First Baptist Church in Bogata. Bro. Ronny Ross performed the ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Regan and Rue Anna Bell. She is the granddaughter of Edgar and Charline Slaton of Quitman and Lawrence and Reba Bell of Clarksville. She is the great granddaughter of Lucy Slaton of Clarksville and Mr. and Mrs. W.J. Miller of Odessa. She is a 1996 graduate of Rivercrest High School and is currently attending Texas A & M at Commerce.

The groom is the son of Donald and Shirley Davidson of Bogata. He is the grandson of Meddie Taylor and Jessie and Faye Stringer all of Clarksville. He is a 1996 graduate of Rivercrest High School and a graduate of

Northeast Texas Academy. He is currently employed by the Bogata Police Department and will be employed at Texas A & M Commerce Police Department.

The wedding music was performed by Linda Moore of Clarksville. The bride was escorted to the altar by her father, Regan Bell and given in marriage by her parents. Her dress was an elegant design with a double V neck bodice and scalloped short sleeves accented with pearls. The full satin skirt flowed with a 6 ft. train. It overlaid organza with a wide band trimmed of satin which surrounded the dress and train. Her veil was created by Zonetta Fulbright and consisted of a rose and pearl satin band with shoulder length tulle. She wore mother of pearl drop earrings and necklace. She carried a bouquet of red and white roses interwoven with babies breath and English Ivy and

accented with red and white ribbons.

While the guest were being seated Denny Whitley, uncle of the bride, played the saxophone. Prior to the entrance of the wedding party a slide show was shown featuring pictures of the bride and groom as babies and up to their engagement day. During the show the song "I Knew I Loved You Before I Met You" was played.

During the entrance of the attendants Denny Whitley played "The Rose" on the saxophone. While the couple lighted the Unity candle Rick Holeman sang "Household of Faith". The bride's grandfather, Edgar A. Slaton, gave a prayer of blessing prior to the exchanging of the vows.

Attending the bride as matron of honor was her sister, LaTonya Miller of Bogata. Bridesmaids were Mandy Mabry of Sulphur Springs, Carol Kay Hilliard of Paris, Jamie Ward and Marla Ballard of Bogata. LaCona Slaton served as junior bridesmaid. They were attired in red satin, short sleeved dresses with a matching red chiffon scarf. Each carried a small bouquet of red and white roses trimmed with red and white ribbons.

Attending the groom as best man was Paul Strunc of Bonham. Grooms-men were the groom's brothers, Scott Davidson, Jeff Davidson and Alex Davidson all of Bogata, Justin Townes and the bride's brother, Brandon Bell also of Bogata.

Serving as flower girls were Emily Worthington of Longview and Randa Riddle of Dallas cousins of the bride. Hana Riddle of Dallas, cousin of the bride carried the 6 ft. train behind the bride. Ring bearer was a cousin to the groom, Michael Strunc of Clarksville.

Serving as ushers were Josh Belcher, Jarred Miller, Ryan Ballard and Chade Eudy. Nelda Screws

served as the wedding coordinator, Michelle Williams, cousin of the bride, decorated the chapel using red and white tulle with red bows. The center held a heart shaped candelabra with 20 candles. There were two candelabras holding 14 candles each on either side of the heart shaped center. English Ivy was twined with red and white tulle and red bows on each candelabra. The church windows each held candles decorated with red and white ribbon.

A reception was held in the church fellowship hall following the ceremony. Friends, Julie Childres, Virginia Hilliard and Jean Upchurch coordinated the decorations for the

reception area. House party members were Paula Stansbury, Melody Wallace, Brandie McGee, Julie Watkins and Haley Griffin.

The bride's table held a 3 tier heart shaped wedding cake, champagne punch and mints and was decorated with red ribbon and greenery. The cake was made by the bride's mother, RueAnna Bell.

The groom's table featured different flavors of cheese cakes staggered in a cloud of red and white tulle. Baklava cookies and mints were served with coffee in a silver setting.

Upon leaving the church guest were handed birdseed and red and white helium balloons to shower the couple

with and release as they left for their honeymoon. Following the wedding trip to Hot Springs, Arkansas the couple have made their home in Rugby.

A rehearsal dinner was hosted by the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Davidson, on Friday, February 4. The meal was a catered barbecue. 81 wedding party members and guest were served.



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### Re-Elect Jack Herrington County Attorney

Here is what happened to one victim of crime, Teddy Price. "I am Teddy Price. Sunday, Feb. 27<sup>th</sup> at 8:39 p.m., I received a call from KCAR while I was at church. I have caller ID. When I called back, Val Varley was put on the phone. He tried to get me to retract my ad. It made me mad, that not only was he calling from KCAR, but was doing unethical activities. He was listening to my ad scheduled to run on Monday. His brother, Brad, works there. I told him I did not vote for mud-slingers. Vote for Jack Herrington if you want honesty and integrity."

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Mr. and Mrs. John Wesley Davidson



Loyce Evelyn "Buffy" Walters with fiance Bobby Lee Milligan

### Walters-Milligan to exchange vows

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Ray Walters are proud to announce the upcoming marriage of their daughter, Loyce Evelyn "Buffy" Walters to Bobby Lee Milligan.

The wedding will take place on March 25 at Calvary United Methodist Church on the corner of 33rd

St. and Lamar Avenue in Paris at 6:30 in the evening.

They are registered at Traditions Outlet and Wal-Mart in Paris.

Friends and family are invited to attend. A reception will follow the ceremony.



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MEMBERS OF THE BOGATA LADY HOOPS-Little Dribbler basketball team this year are: (top from the left) Sarah Hare, Mandy Crawford, Dana Speir, Bailie Spencer; (middle) Coach Mark Hare and Coach Karen Beers; (front from the left) Lauren Beers, Kati Ward and Cortney Merchant Also not pictured is team member Kelly Shade. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

## Henard-Daniel wed in Jamaica January 29

Nancy Danae Henard and Lyman Doug Daniel both of Wellington were united in marriage on Trelawny Beach at Falmouth, Jamaica at 12:00 noon on Saturday, January 29, 2000. Rev. John Hines, a government official marriage officer officiated at the double ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Deltah and Andy Henard. She is the granddaughter of Mrs. Dan Henard Sr. and the late Dan Henard Sr. and the late Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Roberts of Tulia.

Layman and Sandra Daniel are the parents of the bridegroom. He is the grandson of Mrs. Lee Hood of Bogata and the late Buford Hood and the late Mr. and Mrs. D.H. Daniel of Roysie City.

Flower girls were Morgan Mitchell of Graham, cousin of the bride and Amanda McCoy of Del Rio, niece of the bridegroom. They wore ballerina length dresses of ivory satin with tulle overskirts. Cameron Mitchell, cousin of the bride served as the couple's ring bearer.

Best man was Jason Worthington of Childress.

Christy Henard of Lubbock served her sister as maid of honor. Her floor length dress was a strapless champagne satin sheath.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, chose for her wedding a candlelight floor length satin gown fashioned with a strapless dropped waist bodice overlaid with lace and accented with seed pearls and iridescence. The headband and fingertip length tulle veil matched the gown. The bride carried out tradition wearing a blue garter, carried a handkerchief which belong to her maternal

grandmother, borrowed a gold pin belonging to Mrs. Dan Henard Sr.'s great grandmother and chose a strand of pearls for something new. Her bouquet was of white lilies and island flowers in her chosen colors accented with greenery.

Following the exchange of vows on the beach, the couple and their guests were escorted to the Great Hall for a signing ceremony and a blessing of the cake ceremony done by Rev. Hines. A buffet luncheon was served.

The bride is a 1995 graduate of Wellington High School and a 1999 graduate of Texas Tech University. She is employed by Helen Farabee MHMR Centers in Child and Adolescent Services in Childress.

The bridegroom graduated from Wellington High School in the class

of 1993 and attended the Texas Tech University. He works in the engineering division at the Texas Department of Transportation.

The couple have made their home in Wellington following their honeymoon in Jamaica.

On Friday, January 28, during pre-wedding activities, the group helped Andy Henard celebrate his 50th birthday. Family and friends attending the wedding and wedding activities were: Mr. and Mrs. Andy Henard, Colby Henard, Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Daniel, Mr. and Mrs. Don Manuel, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Henard Jr. and Rex Henard all of Wellington. Mr. and Mrs. Joe John Henard, NiKay Henard, Evan Henard, Carrie Carillo and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mitchell of Amarillo, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Gruben of Eldorado, Meredith Gruben of Irving, Kirk Gruben of San Antonio, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Swinburn and Mr. and Mrs. Chad Swinburn all of Tulia, Scot Swinburn of Ft. Worth, Renee Spencer of Altus, Oklahoma, Ginger Westfall and Amanda McCoy of Del Rio, Mr. and Mrs. Trent Mitchell and Morgan and Cameron of Graham, Chad Kane and Christy Henard of Lubbock, Jason Worthington of Childress, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Allen Hood of College Station and Mrs. Lee Hood of Bogata.

The Daniel's and their special guests were honored with a wedding reception at the First United Methodist Church on Saturday, Feb. 5, 2000.

The bride's table featured a pale yellow cake with square tiers decorated with grapes and greenery.

The bridegroom's table was done with a Harley Davidson theme. A chocolate cake encircled with greenery and sugared fruit was served along with coffee.

Tropical flowers and fruit were used to decorate serpentine tables where guests were served a variety of Jamaican cuisine.

Out of town guests were Mr. Mrs. Lee Levy of Roswell, NM, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wilkins of Lubbock with Kaitye and Ali, Mrs. Gary Gruben of Eldorado, Mr. and Mrs. James Stavenhagen of Shamrock, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Spencer of Altus, OK, Mrs. Clay Morris of Childress, Jason Worthington of Childress, Mr. and Mrs. David Duncan of Irving, Mr. and Mrs. Joel Copeland of Vinson, OK and Mrs. Trent Mitchell with Morgan and Cameron of Graham.

## Lois Waldrum honored with shower

Lois Waldrum, bride-elect of Eric Hall was honored with a miscellaneous wedding shower at the Calvary Baptist Church fellowship hall on Sunday, March 5, 2000 from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.

The tables were decorated with the brides chosen colors; yellow, green and white and flowers; sunflowers and greenery. Guests were served cookies, sandwiches, chips, nuts, olives and punch. Hostesses for the

occasion were Jone Clemmons, Karen Jones, Nancy Brown, Marta Rhoades, Tammy Threadgill, Maxine Patton, Nancy Hall, Jimmie Sue Simmons, Janice Franks and Genelle Smith. They presented the couple with a complete bedroom accessories set including comforter, sheets, pillow shams and bed ruffle.

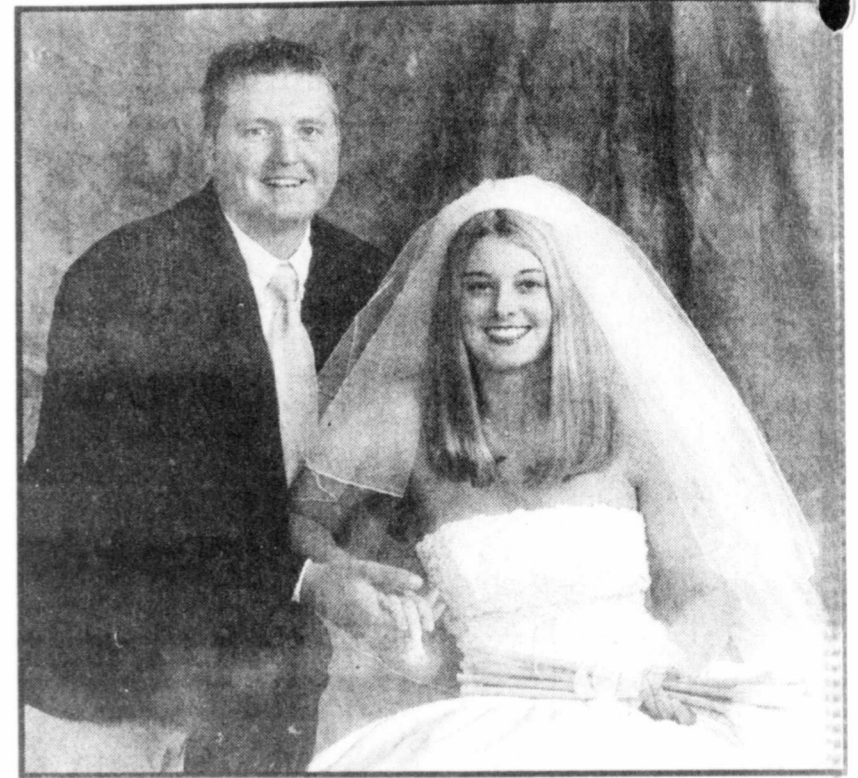
The couple received many nice and useful gifts.



Bergamot oranges are grown in Southern Italy and Sicily—but not for eating. They are grown for their oil which is used in the making of perfume.

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Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Doug Daniel

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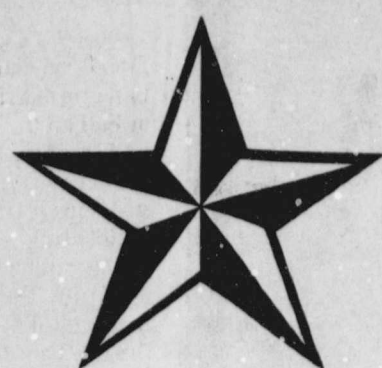
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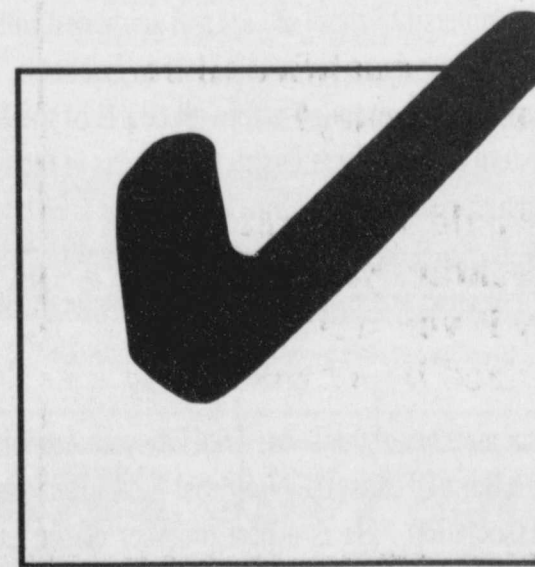
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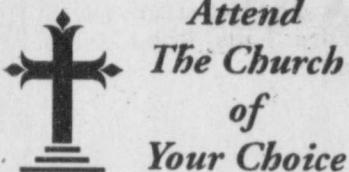
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BEAN COOK-OFF winners at the Kiwanis event Saturday were left to right is 2nd place-Jim Putnam and Stephen's Concrete; 1st place Jerry Chandler; and Mae Crawford-3rd place.

### Bogata Locals

By Nancy Brown  
Call 632-5322 or 379-4445



Recent visitors with Dixie Stringfellow were Vicki Tabb, Dee and Maggie Richardson, Danny Tabb, Michael Tabb and Suzann Holland.

Happy March Birthday to; Buddy Stringfellow, Noah Hibbard, Dixie Stringfellow, Douglas Hawkins, Jan McCuller and Danny R. Dodd.

Hayden Williams spent Sunday in the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Granville Jones in Commerce.

Hayden Holt's optical appointment in Dallas for last week was delayed due to some trouble with his ears. He will go for an exam later this week. Overall Hayden is reported doing well.

George and Mozell Strain from Valiant, OK., James Strain and Mattie Strain Kokoruda of Winnsboro visited Russell and Inez Gill. They all visited Bulah Strain Pierce in Clarksville. They all enjoyed lunch and a nice visit at Ted and Bess's Restaurant.

Jessica, Dann and Marli Hines enjoyed visiting and dinner with Jerry and Gerlyn Gray and Margaret Davis Saturday.

Doris Starin and Inez Gill enjoyed shopping in Paris and visiting with Carmen Whitman at Furrs last week.

Billie Welch of Blossom visited Christine Baker on Sunday. They visited with Tommie and Glenda Corbell and Roy Lee and Imogene Hutson.

Friday afternoon Jerry and Gerlyn Gray and Margaret Davis enjoyed shopping in Mt. Pleasant and they went to Vaughan's Catfish Restaurant on Lake Bob Sandi in for shrimp dinners.

Sunday afternoon Jessica, Danny and Marli Hines, Judy, Heather, Heath, Hayden and his nurse enjoyed a fish cook-out with Jerry and Gerlyn Gray and Margaret Davis. After lunch Hayden enjoyed playing T-ball on the patio with his granny, papa, Heather and Heath.

Judy, Heath and Hayden Holt walked down to Nina and Robert Holt's Monday afternoon. Heather Holt joined them after school and they all walked home. Hayden is really enjoying his wheel chair which has given him mobility. He is learning to move it about all by himself.

Ronnie Welch of Blossom and Nora Thompson of Dallas visited Christine Baker on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. M.A. Anderson and Anthony, Paul, Kim and Quinton Anderson enjoyed shopping in Paris Saturday.

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### Commissioners Report for February

by Ricky Daniels

We have seen a wide variety of weather in the month of February. Sleet, snow, ice, rain, wind and several 70 degree days. Even with all the moisture that we have had we have still had a productive month. Maintenance was done on some of the equipment which saved some money. A lot of blade work was done although there is still much more to be done. Some patch work was done to precinct roads. 35 loads of railroad rock and 7 loads of red rock were hauled to different roads. 2 loads of red rock and 2 loads of white rock were brought to the yard. 1 load of oil sand was brought to the yard and 4 small loads of rock were hauled off the yard to fill smaller holes in the roads.

In Commissioner's Court this month we approved hiring a consultant to assess the county's insurance needs, approved continuing education hours for the County Auditor, approved deputation of Amanda

Shimcock for the District Clerk's Office, approved purchase of two general index binders and criminal casebinders for the County Clerks Office, approved D. Grizzle as election judge for Voting Box 18, approved cancellation on contract with C.C.I. Inc., B.A.C. Inc., and Bill Robinson, approved sending 1993 Crown Victoria from Sheriff's Department to auction, approved speed limit of 35 mph on County Road 4230 in Precinct 4, approved appointment of Lisa Cornelius to fill vacancy in Library, approved amending budget for Precinct 2 from sale of motorgrader, approved auditor going out for bids for fuel and materials, approved facilities proposal for Adult Probation Department, approved the sell of struck off property and lifted the Burn Ban until otherwise needed.

If you have any comments, questions or suggestions feel free to call or stop by the office in Bogata.

### Tallant win CASI chili cookoff

Chester Tallant of Blossom walked off with the 1st place trophy in the 2nd annual Kiwanis chili cookoff held on Saturday, March 4 at the City Park in Blossom. He also won 3rd place for the local chili cook-off.

Other winners were: Bean cook-off winners: 1st place Jerry Chandler. 2nd place was Jim Putnam and Stephen's Concrete and 3rd place went to Mae Crawford of Blossom.

Local chili cook-off winners were-1st place-Don Wear and Smith Carpet; 2nd place Jim Putnam and Stephen's Concrete; 3rd place Wesley Tallant and Tallant Small Engine Repair.

CASI Chili Cook-off winners: 1st place-Wesley Tallant of Blossom; 2nd place-Rex Jones of Dallas; 3rd place Bruce Peterson of Clarksville.

Antique Car Show winners were: 1st place Best of Show-Wade Knight and Son of Summer with their 1950

John Deere. 2nd place Best of Show went to Wayne Caviness of Paris with his 9B Ford.

Antique Cars-1st place Best of Show-Melvin Webb of Blossom with his 1957 Chevrolet and Mae Crawford won 2nd place Best of Show with her 1967 Ford Mustang Convertible.

Special thanks go to all of the judges who donated their time to judge the antique cars and tractors and entries in the cook-off. Also to the sponsors that cooked and donated money and items for the Silent Auction; 7-UP for donating drinks and Fry and Gibbs for the tent; Bill Allen-music; Blossom Citgo for carry-out cups; Kroger's for crackers; Thunder Prairie Publishing; Paris News; area radio stations and Classic TV for giving advertisement. Also the exhibitors of all of the vehicles and the CASI cookers who traveled to participate in the cook-off.

### Talco Locals

By Nancy Brown  
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Sympathy and prayers are extended to the Hale family during the loss of their mother/grandmother and the Hare family and Case family during the loss of their mother/grandmother.

Charlene Smith and Jeanette McCoy of Sugar Hill spent several days last week in New York.

Eddie, Nancy and Jack Brown spent Thursday evening car shopping in Sherman. Jack's fiancée, Jennifer Allmon, joined them for supper in Paris before they returned home.

Karen Jones was released from Titus County Regional Hospital Monday after a week long stay to recuperate from double pneumonia.

Johnny Cook is reported a patient at Titus County Regional Hospital.

Kip Stansell underwent surgery in Paris Thursday. He is reported home and doing well.

A good turn out was reported for the Youth Rally held at the Talco Church of Christ on Saturday.

Marta Rhoades and Robert Caul, Cole Birchfield, Jacob Wright and Camellia Stephenson enjoyed the Canton Trade Days on Friday.

Arthur, Patsy and Melanie Smith enjoyed the Mardi Gras Parade in Shreveport, LA. on Saturday.

Nancy Brown, Jennifer Allmon and Stormi Cox enjoyed the Canton Trade Days on Saturday and shopping in Sulphur Springs and Mt. Pleasant.

Happy March birthday to; Camellia Stephenson, Coulter Currey, Katy Cabell, Jan Hargrove and Leslie Nixon.

Wade, Donna, Morgan and Malorie Wright, Jesi Navia and Alex Wright spent the weekend in Dallas. Donna, Malorie, Jesi and Alex attended a Backstreet Boys Concert on Saturday.

David, Sue and Zeke Currey of Austin are home visiting the John D. Wright and Julia Currey families.

Bruce and Tammie Case will celebrate their 19th wedding anniversary March 12, 2000.

## VAL VARLEY for COUNTY ATTORNEY

Val Varley was born in Clarksville, Texas in 1964. He attended Clarksville High School where he participated in football and track. He was a state qualifier in the 100 meter dash. Val graduated with honors from C.H.S. in 1983.

Val Varley attended Baylor and the University of Texas at Arlington. He graduated from U.T.A. in 1987 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science. Val was accepted to and attended Texas Tech University School of Law and graduated with a Doctor of Jurisprudence degree in 1990. He began his own private practice of law in Lubbock, Texas in 1990. Val is licensed by the Supreme Court of Texas to practice before all courts of the State of Texas. He is also licensed to practice in the Eastern and Northern Districts of Texas in the federal courts of the United States. Val Varley has extensive experience in both criminal and civil law. He has successfully represented people accused of such crimes as robbery, murder, and capital murder. Val feels that this has given him the knowledge and experience to effectively prosecute those people who choose to break the law.

Val Varley is a member of the Texas Trial Lawyers Association, the American Trial Lawyers Association, the State Bar of Texas, the Northeast Texas Bar Association, and the Texas Criminal Defense Lawyers Association. He is a past member of the Lubbock County Bar Association, Lubbock Criminal Defense Lawyers Association, and the South Plains Trial Lawyers Association.

Val and his wife Shelly have three children; Alysha, Jordan, and Breanna. Val brought his family to Red River County in 1997. Val and Shelly want to raise their children in the same small town environment in which Val was raised. Val and his family enjoy living in Red River County where he is active in community affairs. He is on the board of directors of the Red River County Historical Society, a past director of the Red River County Chamber of Commerce, city attorney for the City of Annona, and president-elect of the Clarksville Rotary Club. Val is currently in private law practice in Clarksville. Val's hobbies include raising cattle and registered quarter horses. He enjoys coaching both youth football and baseball.

Val Varley believes that Red River County deserves a full time prosecutor that is dedicated to his job. Val believes that he can help make Red River County a safer and even better place to live. Val Varley ask that you allow him to serve as your County Attorney. He would appreciate your vote on March 14, 2000.

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Jay Garrett

## Jay Garrett announces candidacy for District Judge

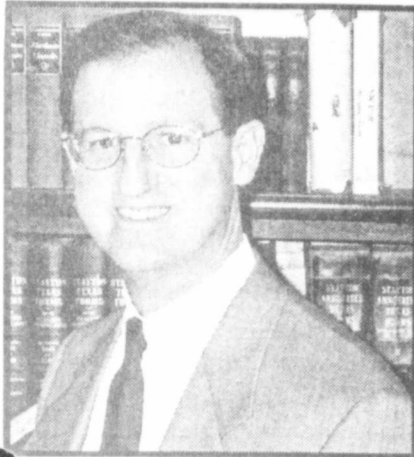
I strongly believe the voters need more choices on election day. That is one of the reasons for my candidacy in the Democratic Primary. I am not a politician and do not have the ambition to be a politician. It is my desire to give back to the public that has instilled in me the desire to enter the race.

For those of you who do not know me, well, I offer a few words about my background. I am 48 years old and live in Cooper, Texas with my wife, Kay.

Our family includes two sons, Justin and Jordan and a daughter, Kimberly. I have a law office and title insurance agency in Cooper, Texas. My wife works with me as the office manager. I received a BBA degree in finance from East Texas State University (now Texas A & M University - Commerce) and received my law degree, a Doctor of Jurisprudence, from Southern Methodist University. I have been an instructor in business law, real estate law, nursing law, and computer use at Texas A

& M University - Commerce since 1975. I am also the Student's Legal Advisor at the university. I have been the City Attorney for Cooper, Texas since 1987. I was the Assistant City Attorney in Commerce, Texas from 1975 to 1998. In 1998, I was appointed City Attorney in Greenville, Texas a position I held until I resigned to seek the position as Judge of the 62nd District Court. I am licensed to practice law in Texas, United States Northern and Eastern Districts of Texas, United States Tax Court and United States Court of Appeals for the 5th Circuit.

I am a member of the American Bar Association and its Government & Public Sector Division and serve on its State & Local Government Law and Litigation Sections. I am also a member of the College of the State Bar of Texas, Northeast Texas Bar Association, International Municipal Lawyers Association and the Bar Association of the U.S. Eastern District Court. I am experienced in both civil and criminal trial practice. I also find time for cattle ranching.



Jeff Starnes

## Starnes announces candidacy

Jeff Starnes has announced his candidacy for Judge of the 62nd District court, which covers Lamar, Delta, Franklin and Hopkins counties. He will be running as a Republican. Starnes currently serves as First Assistant County Attorney for Lamar County, a post he has held for the past three years. He previously served as First Assistant District Attorney for the 8th Judicial District in Hopkins, Franklin, Delta and Rains counties, and he was the prosecutor for the Drug Task Force for 4 1/2 years. Starnes was in private practice for 1 1/2 years before becoming a prosecutor.

"I believe that the time is right for a change in the judicial leadership in this district. A judge should be a public servant and early in my legal career, I chose public service as a prosecutor. I have enjoyed working with law enforcement and the public." In 1998, Kerye Ashmore, Lamar County Attorney, and Starnes tried Lary Wooten for capital murder. Wooten was convicted and given the death penalty in what was the longest trial in Lamar County history. Starnes has successfully prosecuted organized crime cases, capital murder cases, drug cases, child sex cases, thefts and DWIs; in all close to 100 felony jury cases. In 1999, Starnes was certified as a Special Assistant US Attorney and helped prosecute a double-homicide, drug conspiracy case in United States District Court where the major defendant received nine life sentences. He has handled civil forfeiture cases in which hundreds of thousands of dollars in cur-

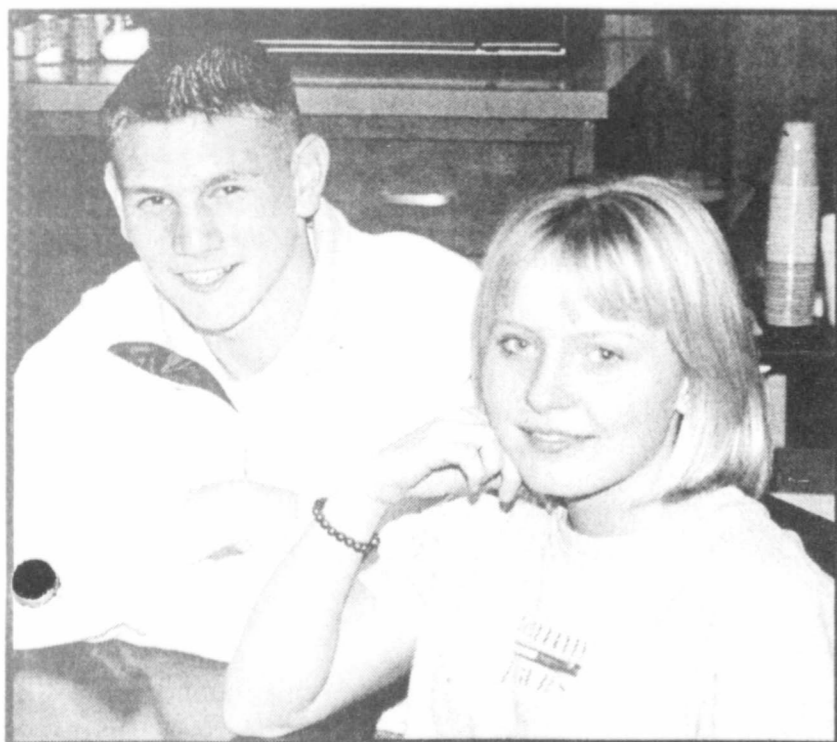
drug and property were seized from drug dealers. He has represented the county and district in civil litigation and represented Child Protective Services in family law matters.

"I have shown that I am a hard worker. While attending East Texas Stated University, where I graduated in 1983, I worked as many as three jobs at a time to help pay my way through school. I worked for two years after college as an abstractor and closing agent for Stone Title Company in Paris before deciding to go to law school. While attending South Texas College of Law, where I graduated in 1988, I worked full time to pay my way through school. I've continued that work ethic throughout my career."

Jeff and his wife, Tammi, who is an Assistant Attorney General, have a daughter, Ellen Claire, who is four years old. They are members of and attend First Methodist Church in Paris. Jeff is a member of the choir and a former member of the board. He is a former scoutmaster and currently serves on the Boy Scouts District Committee. Jeff and Tammi are both long time volunteers in the Pathways, a youth oriented program sponsored by their church. The family enjoys camping and boating together. Jeff is a hunter and fisherman.

Starnes is the son of Ray and Carroll Starnes of Paris. His dad is a retired Methodist minister and chaplain at St. Joseph's Hospital. His mom is a retired schoolteacher.

Dr. Larry Walker is serving as Starnes' campaign treasurer.



**MOST ATHLETIC**-Chosen as the Most Athletic girl and boy from the Rivercrest Freshman class this year were Tina Carder and Josh Coker. Tina is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Carder of

## Daniel Lee receives Stock Show grant

Daniel Ray Lee of Bogata has been awarded a \$500 scholarship by the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show. Daniel's grant is part of \$38,000 in total scholarships awarded this week to 40 high school students from across Texas who participated in the 1999 Calf Scramble program.

The grants, usable by the young people when they entered their freshman year in college, are the result of the Calf Scramble committee's fund-raising efforts and support from individuals and businesses in this area. The generosity of donations enabled the committee to award educational grants above its intended goal for the third year in a row.

A member of the Rivercrest FFA, he is the son of James and Keywhinia Lee of Bogata. His Calf Scramble project, a Angus heifer, was sponsored by Walt Williams Construction, Inc. of Ft. Worth, Tx.

All winners were Texas 4-H Club and FFA Chapter members. They were selected on the basis of performance in their year long Calf Scramble heifer project which required management, correspondence with their sponsors and a final essay.

W.R. Watt, Jr., show president/manager announced the winners and said, "The Stock Show is pleased to recognize these young people with scholarship grants for their exceptional efforts and dedication in this important educational program."

Last year during the Stock Show Rodeo the 270 boys and girls who caught a calf at the rodeo were awarded a \$500 certificate to purchase a heifer, care for it and return and show in the 2000 Stock Show's Junior Heifer event. Title sponsors for the Calf Scramble event are Mrs. Baird's Bakeries and Justin Boot Company of Ft. Worth.



Va. Linda Hathcox

## Hathcox makes bid for 62nd District Court seat

VaLinda Hathcox, candidate for 62nd District Judge, said she expects to run a good race in Lamar County.

She carried Lamar County when she ran for District 1 State Senator eight years ago.

"The people of Lamar County have had the opportunity to vote for me before," Ms. Hathcox said.

She said she previously had been encouraged to run for the 62nd District Judge post, but only decided to run this year.

Ms. Hathcox will be vying for the post as a Democrat in the March 14 primary.

Currently serving as Hopkins County Attorney after being the first woman elected to the office in 1997, Ms. Hathcox said she plans to campaign actively in Lamar County.

Delta, Franklin, Hopkins and Lamar counties are the counties within the 62nd Judicial District.

In addition to her prosecuting experience, Ms. Hathcox said she has experience as a judge as well.

"I was an administrative judge for the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts," she said.

She said she will bring all her experience and a slightly different perspective to the post if elected.

"I certainly have a different perspective...I think that I have been in the court system on all sides," Ms. Hathcox said.

"I do feel I'm honest, I'm fair, I'm impartial...I do have a balanced perspective," she said.

A Hopkins County native, Ms. Hathcox graduated from Sulphur Springs High School, East Texas State University and the University Texas Law School in Austin.

She grew up on a dairy farm and currently serves as Farmers and general counsel of Hathcox Farms. The business produces dairy products.

Ms. Hathcox has run her own law office since 1986 and served as the Director of Governmental Affairs and Staff Attorney for the Texas Association of Counties, served as Special Assistant to the Attorney General of Texas, served as Director of Programs for the State Bar of Texas, and as an associate in the Dallas law firm of Golden, Potts, Boeckman and Wilson.



**MOST INTELLIGENT**-Chosen as the Most Intelligent girl and boy from the Rivercrest Freshman class this year were Erica Williams and Tim Carder. Erica is the daughter of Lee Booker of Bogata and Brian Williams of Bogata. Tim is the son of Mr. and Mrs. David Carder of Bogata. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

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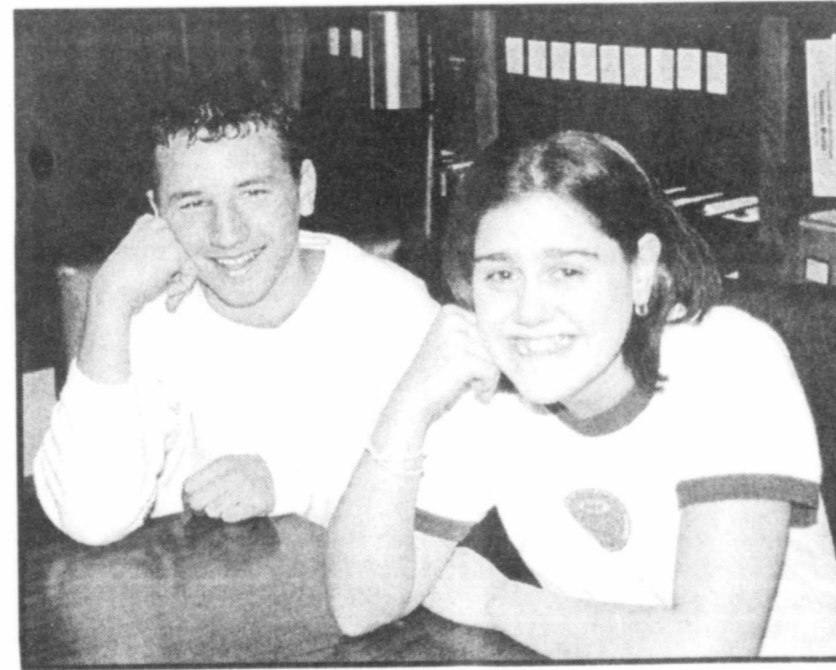
## UPRA Rodeo to be held

The climate controlled indoor arena of the Civic Center in Sulphur Springs will be the site of the 2000 UPRA Spring Membership Rodeo on Thursday, Friday and Saturday night March 9-11. This Gene Smith produced rodeo will begin at 7:30 p.m. each of the three nights.

The membership rodeo is always the biggest rodeo of the UPRA season, where approximately 600 cowboys and cowgirls will kick off the year trying to earn enough to return to Sulphur Springs in November for the Big Final Rodeo.

The Civic Center's indoor arena has been the site of the Spring Membership and the Finals Rodeo for over 20 years, beginning when it was still the CRA. A few years ago the TA and CRA merged into what is now the United Professional Rodeo Association, one of the largest rodeo associations in the country.

Advance tickets are on sale at the Civic Center, or at Circle E Western Wear in Sulphur Springs for \$6.00 per adult and \$4.00 for children 12 and under. Preschoolers are free every night. Door prices will be \$1.00 higher. For more information call...



**BEST SENSE OF HUMOR**-Chosen as the boy and girl from the Rivercrest Freshman class with the Best Sense of Humor this year were Camelia Mankins and Kasey Ealsey. Camelia is the daughter of Judy Mankins and Nathan Mankins of Bogata. Kasey is the son of Renee Wisinger of Sugar Hill. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

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From left: Carla Jones, Earlene Poe, Judy Cook, N.A. and Bobbie Muttingly.

Since January I have gone door to door. I have met many of you, the citizens of Titus County and I have missed a lot of you. Due to the size of the county and lack of time, I hope that you will understand if I haven't knocked on your door. I hope that you will consider me as your choice for Tax Assessor-Collector when you vote. I would truly appreciate your support on March 14, 2000.

Thank you,  
Judy Cook

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1999-2000 LADY REBEL-softball team members are; (back from the left) Coach Brandon Oats, Laci Taylor, Jennifer Hays, Kim Shirley, Jamie Daniels, Rachel Case, Sarah Kirkpatrick, Erica Williams, Bre'Ann Stroud and Coach Karl Whitehurst; (middle from the left) Kendall Stansell, Kim Ross, Tiffany Prentice, Krystal Valenzuela, Michelle Bryant, Ashley Beers and Tina Carder and (front from the left) Missy Carroll, Erin Stansell and Molly Hare. The team was a very happy group following their district win over Cooper. On Tuesday afternoon the girls continued their district wins defeating Prairiland 7-5. Lets go to state Lady Rebels!!!! (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



1999-2000 JUNIOR VARSITY REBEL-baseball team members are; (back row from the left) Coach Gary Schultz, Jeremy Grissom, Stephen Shade, Zach Ward and Ryan Hawkins and Coach Jeremy Abshier; (middle from the left) Marcus Deming, Nathan Carroll, Chance Wolfe, Zach Perry and Ryan Newton and (front) Adam Davis. The Rebels defeated Cooper on Monday with a score of 6-3. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

## VOTE FOR VAL VARLEY

"My name is Val Varley. On February 5th a Political Rally was held on my behalf at the American Legion Building in Clarksville. In attendance at the rally was a lady who introduced herself to me as a past crime victim. My opponent now uses her in his ads. She is the lady that was robbed and had her dog beat up.

Near the end of the rally, after I had given my speech, this lady approached me and told me and many of the people there that she had been going to vote for my opponent, but after hearing my speech she was going to vote for me. She told me, however, that my opponent had asked her to write a letter for him to use in his campaign and that she had already written the letter and had given it to him. I took her at her word and I believed that she was voting for me.

My opponent read her letter at a political fund raiser out at the old Wal Mart on February 19 and again used her letter in his newspaper ads on February 24. It is customary and not unethical to review and opponent's ad that has been aired in order to respond to that ad. On February 27, while reviewing my opponent's ads, I inadvertently heard the ad where the lady's dog got beat up. I was unaware whether or not it had aired because I had heard about and read this ad before. After hearing the ad I called the lady and left a message on her answering machine. She graciously returned my call and we had a pleasant conversation. I told her I was calling to see if she had recorded the ad prior to my rally or after my rally. I told her that if she had recorded it prior to my rally I was going to ask her to do an ad on my behalf, if she was voting for me. She informed me that she had recorded the ad after rally. She said I was a nice man, but my opponent and his wife had come over and talked with her and that she was voting for my opponent. She did not like my ad where I told the people of Red River County that my opponent works less than 20 hours a week at his job as county attorney. She thought that was negative. We spoke a little longer and she told me good luck in the race. The conversation was pleasant throughout.

If this lady was truly angered, I apologize to her. My intentions are good, but I am human and I will continue to make mistakes in my life. The only man that ever walked this earth and was perfect was put to death at the age of 33 about 2000 years ago on a hill called Calvary. If this lady was not angered and I am only responding to one of my opponent's political ploys, then I ask the good Lord to forgive her and my opponent.

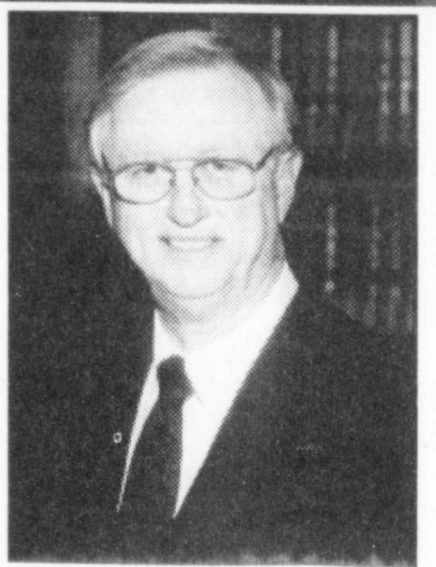
On March the 14th, I ask you to vote for Val Varley. Vote for Honesty, Integrity and Hard Work."

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**Scott McDowell**

Pd. pol. adv. by Scott McDowell, who has rejected the voluntary limits of the Judicial Campaign Fairness Act. P.O. Box 1093, Paris, TX 75461.



### Rivercrest power lifter compete

The past two weeks the Rivercrest powerlifters have been busy. The boys have stepped into a couple of very large meets at Mt. Pleasant and White Oak with each meet having over 350 lifters. Coach Gary Schultz said, "This is a new experience for us and we are trying to improve each week".

The girls team has been well traveled. Some of the girls served as cheerleaders at the boys basketball playoffs causing their nights to be short and departure for power lifting meets to come to early. The girls participated at Collinsville on Saturday and enjoyed some great improve-

ments. Jill Foster and Misti Tucker qualified for the Regional meet. Both girls ranked in the top ten at the meet and improved their weight by 10 to 15 pounds. Coach Schultz is very pleased with this first ever Rivercrest Power Lifting team and said, "Both girls will face tough competition but I feel Jill will have a good chance in her weight class. Misti's class will be very tough but we will continue to work to improve before the competition and hopefully send both girls to State. It will be a real accomplishment considering it is our first year to compete".

### Crystal Bell honored with showers

Crystal Bell, bride-elect of John Davidson was honored with a bridal shower January 16, 2000 at the First Baptist Church in Bogata. Many friends and relatives attended and the noree received many nice and useful gifts. Hostesses for the occasion, Judy Jackson, Paula Speir, Julie Childres, Terri Watkins, Wanda Ragsdill, Virginia Hilliard, Dee Brannon, Joan Mabry, Kay Griffin, Kay Ross, Debbie Hare, Jeannie Primm, Linda Eilers, Michelle Williams, Jean Upchurch and Freda Jean presented the couple with a toaster oven, set of cook ware and a microwave oven.

On January 27 the Crystal was honored with a personal shower at the home of Jamie and Todd Ward of

Bogata. She received many nice gifts and everyone enjoyed playing games, cookies and punch. Hostesses for the occasion were Jamie Ward and Julie Watkins. 14 friends attended.

On January 29 the couple were honored with a pouncing at the home of John and Kay Brooks in Rosalie. Hosted by the Brooks, Ryan and Marla Ballard and John and Kristi Purviance. A barbecue dinner was served to 32 guests. The couple received a good supply of groceries.

On February 5 Crystal was honored with a bridesmaid luncheon at the Lonesome Dove Cafe in Deport. Hostesses for the occasion were Virginia Hilliard and Julie Childres. 13 attended.

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**Cunningham News**  
 By Jane O'Neal

Having Sunday lunch with Nelta and Johnny Musgrove were Stacy, Linda, Stoney and Charity Musgrove.

Geneva Norwood had Sunday lunch for Frankie, Julie, Logan, Layton, Caleb Norwood, Scottie, Treda, Amber and Spur Norwood, Neva, Billy Ray and Brandon Oats, Georgeana and Brad Nutt and Ray Martin.

Logan Norwood spent Saturday and Saturday night with Geneva Norwood.

On Saturday night a group from the Baptist Church went to Pecan Gap to eat fish. Those going on the trip were James and Pat Norwood, Darold and Ida Mae Norwood, Roy and Merle Marris, Jane, C.D and Ben Glass, Bill Page, Marlin Foster, Brent Norwood and Richard Tatum.

Buddy Taylor is recuperating from knee replacement surgery. He is progressing well.

Having Sunday lunch with James and Pat Norwood were Mendy, Lacy and Kelby Cole and Bill Page.

Marlin Foster had Sunday lunch with Darold and Ida Mae Norwood.

Frankie and Julie Norwood returned from the Houston Livestock show on Wednesday. Tiffany and Josh Osborn were winners with their chickens.

Frankie, Julie, Layton and Caleb Norwood spent Saturday night with Ann Wallace in Gober. On Saturday they attended Miss Wolfe City pageant where Layton escorted Emily Wallace, Ann's daughter. Ann's other daughter Kayleigh won in the 7th and

8th division and was crowned Miss Wolfe City.

Jeff, Cindy, Zack, Garrett, Taylor and Asa Kennedy and Heath Kennedy had Sunday lunch with Shelby and Bobby Ray Kennedy.

Having Sunday lunch with Jane O'Neal were Sue Jackson, Kara and Aaron Palmer, Lisa, Dwayne, O'Neal and Weston Drinnon.

Bobbie Hall and Jackie Taylor visited Bobby and Clyde Slusher this past week.

Jenna Patterson won the Supreme division of the Victorian Dream Beauty Pageant in New Boston on Saturday. On Sunday she won her division in the Cover Girl, Cover Miss Pageant at PJC.

Billie Ford attended a womens conference in Gilmer with a group of ladies from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. While in Gilmer she visited with Carol Arrington.

Sunday Billie and Leonard Ford visited Lillian King in Deport.

Friday night Charles and Cindy Nichols and Talma and Suzie Norwood had fish at Vaughan's and spent the night at their lake homes on Bob Sandlin.

Marie Watson had Sunday lunch and supper with Dean and Ada Watson. Visiting her this week were Ray Martin, Renee Watson, Nelta Musgrove and Geneva Norwood.

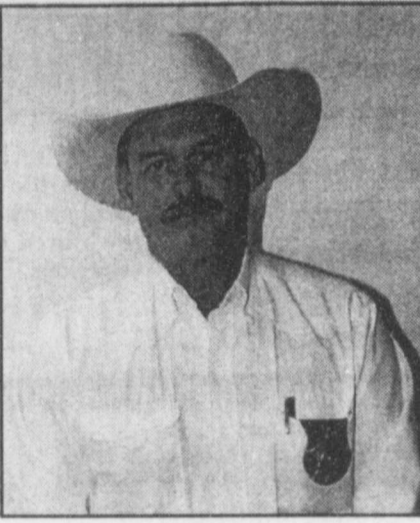
Sue Pynes and Lorette Pynes went shopping on Friday. Buddy Pynes visited Lorette on Saturday and they had lunch at Furr's.

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# Re-Elect Jack Herrington County Attorney

Jack returned to Red River County in 1974 and has served as County Attorney for the last 7 years. On filing for election, Jack signed and subscribed to the Fair Campaign Practices Act as set out by the Texas Ethics Commission. He has chosen to run a positive campaign and inform the public of his record, not to slander his opponent with half-truths and innuendos. We have known Jack for half a century and feel this is an example of his character and integrity.

In 1994, our county faced six capital murder trials for the murders of Martha Lennox and Jenny Weeks. Jack realized this could bankrupt our county. Most counties have a prosecutor and several assistants. Red River County has only the County Attorney. Jack's wisdom, maturity and foresight in asking the Texas Attorney General for assistance saved our county hundreds of thousands of dollars. Six from the Attorney General's office were sworn in as assistant county attorneys under Jack's supervision. Jack was lead attorney. The Attorney General's services did not cost our county one dime.

In 1994 when Jack approached the Attorney General for help with our six murder trials, there was no provision for helping small, poor counties with capital murder cases. Our cases served as a cornerstone for the formation of the Capital Litigation Section in the Attorney General's office. The A. G. came to our county in 1999 to present a plaque to Jack Herrington in appreciation for his successful prosecution of the capital murder cases which enabled them to receive state funding to continue this program for small rural counties.

Jack has collected \$174,449 in "hot checks" since taking office. This money has been returned to the victims.

It has been said that Jack has numerous murder cases left untried. The one that immediately comes to mind is Al Peek. As a kid Al Peek ran around with many of our kids and visited in our homes. Al was well liked and well thought of, and we want his murderer brought to justice.

**Check the facts:** Very little evidence was presented to Jack a year after the crime was committed. He empaneled a Special Grand Jury who heard and investigated only Al's case for six months. They interviewed numerous people. This Grand Jury found insufficient evidence to indict AT THIS TIME. This does not mean the case is closed or there won't be an indictment and prosecution in the future.

Jack's office has been accused of taking a \$10,000 donation from a drug offender. The truth of the matter is this \$10,000 was money earned from drugs by the defendant. Jack filed a civil forfeiture action, the district judge entered a judgment, and the \$10,000 was paid to the county. This money can only be used for law enforcement in Red River County.

**We are the ones to ask about Jack Herrington !**

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### Free Indian language class to be offered

The Choctaw Nation, in cooperation with PJC will offer a free community class teaching people how to read, write and speak the Choctaw Native American Indian language. Paul Samuels, a member of the Choctaw Nation, will teach the class at 6 p.m. on March 20 in the Continuing Education Department at PJC.

Classes will be held Monday and Wednesday from 6 until 8 p.m. through May 10. In addition to teaching the Choctaw language (Chahta Anumpa), Samuels said class members will learn about the history of the Choctaw and the Tribal culture. For information, call 782-0445 to register or call the Choctaw Language Program at 1-800-522-6170.



A CAMPAIGN RALLY-LUNCH was held Sunday, March 5 at the American Legion Building in Clarksville for County Attorney candidate Val Varley. Interested citizens enjoyed a hamburger lunch and homemade desserts while visiting with the candidate and his family. He spoke briefly regarding the March 14 election. Entertainment was provided by six year old Tyrell Duckett who sang several selections. (Photo courtesy of Gary Tucek)

  
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### Val Varley Speaking on Results

"I was appointed, probably within this last year, to a local juvenile that was accused of committing aggravated robbery - he probably should have been accused of attempted capital murder. I doubt my opponent put this case on the radio or in the newspaper.

This crime occurred during a home invasion - that's when you are sitting around with your family at night, in your home, watching T.V. or reading the paper and 3 or 4 guys rush into your home with guns pointed at your head.

Our juvenile here decided the people didn't give him enough money so he shot a 15 year old in the leg as my client and his buddies were leaving the home.

What do you think the Jack Herrington result was with this cold blooded juvenile?  
Answer - 3 months in boot camp.

This juvenile got out of boot camp and came back to Clarksville. Back in January he was arrested again - you may have seen the photo in the Clarksville Times with all the packages of marijuana - it was this same guy. They also found a 9mm semi-automatic pistol in his room with the drugs. The result this time? Instead of sending him to TYC, where he would probably stay until he turned 21 because of his bad history, he gets certified as an adult and has now been promised 5 years probation.

If these are the kinds of results you want (and there are many more instances like this one - ask your local law enforcement), then vote for my opponent.

If you want someone that will be tough on crime - especially violent crime - **VOTE FOR VAL VARLEY!**

If you want a County Attorney that is fully qualified, experienced enough and willing to try his own cases - **VOTE FOR VAL VARLEY!**

If you want a County Attorney that's not afraid to work - and will work for you - **VOTE FOR VAL VARLEY."**

Political Ad paid for by the Val Varley Campaign  
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### MTBE, more information on its possible effect

Methyl tertiary butyl ether, or simply stated MTBE, is a colorless chemical compound manufactured for primary use in gasoline. MTBE has been used sporadically since 1979, but came into statewide, year-round use in 1996. The characteristics of MTBE are unlike those of other gas constituents and solvents. MTBE is highly soluble and migrates quickly with groundwater. It does not significantly adhere onto soil particles, and it does not appear to readily biodegrade (break down into less harmful substances) in the environment.

MTBE has a distinctive, solvent-like odor that is detectable at relatively low concentrations - ranging from 10 to 30 parts per billion. Individual sense of smell will vary with type of water and temperature of the water. Shallow wells can become contaminated by runoff from leaking underground storage tanks, surface spills and even runoff from rain that takes MTBE out of the air.

Tons of this chemical are entering the air daily from auto exhaust if you live in an area designated by the EPA as an "Ozone Non-attainment Area". Driving during heavy or congested traffic periods increases exposure, as well as exposure during fueling at the gas stations. In 1997, EPA had issued a Drinking Water Advisory for MTBE, citing potential risks for contamination for which no national regulations currently exist. Advisories are used only for guidance and are not legally enforceable. They are subject to revision as more information becomes available.

The prime example of MTBE contamination is the City of Santa Monica, California. There, two well fields supplying 50% of the city's water supply have been contaminated by MTBE, either through underground pipeline and/or storage tanks leakage. One other California city, Marysville, also closed a well due to contamination. With the exception of these two named, it appears from a Congressional Research Service report to Congress dated March 24, 1998, that available data does not show a widespread occurrence of MTBE in drinking water supplies. What the future holds is still up in the air. Legislators in the Tyler, Longview and Marshall area have stated they will submit legislation to ban the use of MTBE in the next session. With the public response observed in

the meeting in Longview during January, a political solution may be forthcoming, mostly due to citizen input to politicians.  
Much more information is available on MTBE from Bogata City Hall. Please contact Wendell Davis, Public Works Director at 632-5315 or come by 128 North Main in Bogata to visit. Mr. Davis and city employees will be glad to help you understand what MTBE is and its effects.

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Joy Norrell and fiance Kent Cooper

## Norrell-Cooper to exchange wedding vows

Joy Norrell and Kent Cooper have announced their engagement and approaching marriage.

The couple will exchange marriage vows on Saturday, May 13 at the First United Methodist Church in Paris.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Don Waylan Norrell of Deport. She is the granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Doug Alsobrook of Deport and the late Mr. and Mrs. Don Norrell of Minter. She

is a graduate of the University of North Texas and is employed by Christus St. Joseph's Hospital as a financial analyst.

Her fiance is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Cooper of Mt. Pleasant. He is the grandson of Mrs. Lina Rhea and Mrs. Lurline Johnson, both of Mt. Pleasant. He is a graduate of Stephen F. Austin University and the Dallas Institute of Mortuary Science. He is a partner of Bates-Cooper Funeral Home in Mt. Pleasant.

## Red River Healthcare News

Visiting residents at Red River Healthcare this past week were:

Resident, Leonard Fuller-Ruth and Jimmy and Irene Fuller.

Resident, Shelia Gibson-Betty Gibson and Inez Gill.

Resident, Vivian Fail-Marilyn Presley, Jimmie Fail, Yvonne Harris, Ronnie Presley, Victor Fail, Lynn and Ann Fail of Kilgore, and Jack M. Clark.

Resident, Ada Holmes-Maudie Lee and Ruth Lee.

Resident, Vernona Young-Steve Knowles, Gina Allen, Kim Matthews, Jalen Foster, Erica McDonald and Betty Brock.

Resident, Pauline Alsobrook-Mary Ann Williams and Sue Martin, Tabitha and Vanessa.

Resident, Jimmie Duffie-Gwendolyn Bowen.

Resident, Eula Martin-Gwendolyn Bowen.

Resident, Melvin Pointer-Daphne Pointer.

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Resident, Irene House-Reabeth Abbott, Jeannette Morris and Bernice Beers.

Resident, Pauline Hutson-Jerry and Paula Hutson and Inez Gill.

Resident, Jimmy Guess-Carrine Alford.

Resident, Lucy Jenkins-James Jenkins.

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Resident, Mary Duke-John and Charlene Duke.

Resident, Nina Hudson-Brigitte, Lance and Hayden Hudson of Mississippi and David and Fredrika Hudson., Gary and Penny Swaim.

Resident, George Hancock-Inez Gill.

Your visits are looked forward to and appreciated by the residents at Red River Healthcare. Please stop by and visit family and friends today.

## Local author announces new publication

Local author, Alvis Swint Denny, is excited to announce the publication of her second book, *The Minx*.

Published in paperback, *The Minx* is the story of twin girls growing up in two totally opposite directions. Copies of the book will be available for purchase and Mrs. Denny will be on hand for autographs at the following businesses in Titus County:

March 21 from 1:00-4:00 p.m. at Jo's Antiques at 102 N. Jefferson in Mt. Pleasant.

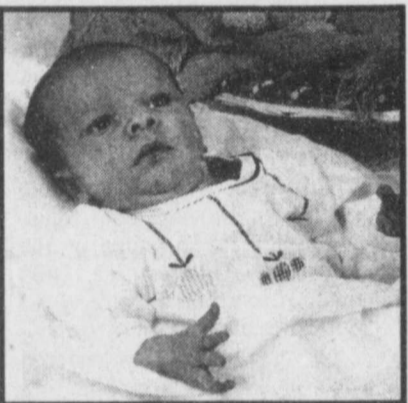
March 30 from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Cookville Quick Stop located on Hwy 67 E in Cookville.

Mrs. Denny's first book, *Without Arms*, a gun-control thriller will also be available.

Mrs. Denny and her husband, Bill are residents of the Mt. Pleasant area. When she isn't working on a book Alvis enjoys reading and visiting family and friends. Her husband enjoys hunting and gardening and both enjoy playing 42.



Alvis Swint Denny



Payton Lane Williams

PAYTON LANE Williams was born January 25 at Hopkins County Memorial Hospital, Sulphur Springs. She was 8 lbs. 3.25 oz and 20" long. Parents are Aaron and Katie Williams of Blossom. Grandparents are Kyle and Lisa Wright and the late Bryan Mullins and Pat and Wanda Williams. Great-grandparents are Johnny and Carol Dawson, John and Jane Mullins, Grady and Kathryn Wright and Dick and Adell Whitely.

## JOHNTOWN NEWS

By Jana Hawkins

Six ladies from Johntown Missionary Baptist Church enjoyed the Ladies Retreat held in Texarkana on Friday evening and Saturday morning last week. Attending were Bonnie Green, Tracey Eudy, Kathy Hawkins, Jerry Ann Richardson, Lynn Wright and Mary Jane Tate.

James and Pauline Gibbs, Jana, Haley and Hana Hawkins and Sarah Jean enjoyed attending the Rivercrest Junior High track and field meet in Paris Saturday in which Heather and Koren Hawkins participated. They all enjoyed shopping and eating out while there.

Saturday was another good workday for the new addition to the Johntown Missionary Baptist Church. Robbie Hawkins and Billie Pirtle prepared breakfast for the men before the days work began and at the end of the day the frame for the addition was up.

Mrs. Lee Hood has returned from a trip to Jamaica where she attended her grandson, Lyman Doug Daniels wedding.

B.J. McLaughlin was in Bowie, Tx. on business Monday.

Billy Mac Cooper of California is visiting relatives and friends here this week.

## Births

Courtnee Damron would like to announce the arrival of her baby sister, Gracee Raylynn Damron born at Titus County Regional Hospital in Mt. Pleasant February 28, 2000 weighing 6 lbs. 13 ozs. and was 19 inches long.

Proud parents are Rusty and Michelle Damron. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Damron of Bogata and Mr. and Mrs. Derryl Johns of Arthur City, Tx. Great grandparents are Myrtie Wilkerson of Bogata and Maxine Topping of Bogata, Rosie Walls of Arthur City, Tx. and Nonzalee Johns of Arthur City Tx.

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Val Varley's opponent likes to take credit for results where no credit is due. For example - the Martha Lennox murder. He uses these death penalties to show his results - everyone knows the truth - he didn't try these cases, he had to have the Attorney General's office try them for him.

Another example - he is currently using a crime victim in his advertising. The perpetrator in Ms. Teddy Price's case got 40 years as the result of a plea bargain. The perpetrator gave a signed confession to police. If he had gone to trial, a Red River County juror would have probably given him life for this heinous crime. The credit for the conviction of this man should not go to my opponent, but to the police officers for their fine police work.

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A criminal was arrested in Red River County for possession of over 100 lbs. of marijuana - A deal was struck between that man and our present County Attorney. The man gave a \$10,000.00 donation (called an agreed forfeiture by Val's opponent) to the County Attorney's office and he got a slap on the wrist - 4 years probation.

Another example:

A man gets arrested in 1993 for a driving while intoxicated offense. In 1999 he finally gets to have his case heard.

**Prosecution is down - not crime.**

In the last 4 years, Jack Herrington has only tried 2 cases in County Court - these were driving while intoxicated cases - he lost both of these.

Criminal trials in County Court are set by the County Attorney - not the County Judge - ask the Judge or the people that work in the County Clerks office.

Val Varley's opponent may not think DWI cases are important, but many people do.

In the last 2 years, Val Varley's opponent has only tried 6 felony cases in District Court and he only won 3.

Vote for Honesty, Integrity, and Hard Work. On March 14<sup>th</sup>, vote for Val Varley.

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## Bogata class of 1943 to meet

The graduating class of 1943 of the Bogata High School will meet for their annual reunion at the Lonesome Love Restaurant in Deport Saturday, April 8, 2000 at 11:00 a.m.

No formal program is planned except to reminisce and renew acquaintances. Anyone wishing to address the group will have the opportunity and those who have expired since last year will be remembered. Letters will be read from those who cannot attend and wish to send a letter. All class members and teachers have been notified by letter.

Anyone wishing to attend should contact L.M. Vaughan at 903-834-6999 by March 15, 2000. Correspondence should be sent to him at 105 N. Pope Drive, Overton, Texas 75684. Spouses and friends are welcome to attend.

Lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m. and dismissal will be shortly after 1:00 p.m. in time to attend the overall Bogata School reunion and business meeting at the Bogata gymnasium at 1:30 p.m.

## Notice to RHS class of 1985

Plans have been in the works for a Rivercrest High School Class of 1985 Reunion during this past year. Class members have searched high and low for classmates to make the reunion set for May 20, 2000 at the Bogata Community Center a success.

A questioner was mailed to all class members who have been found and a request for a return of the questioner by February 12, 2000 was made. The group have received few responses although they hear of many who plan to attend. In order to have enough food for those planning to attend the questioners are very important and even if plans to attend are not made the questioners will let classmates know what has happened in each classmates life.

All classmates are urged to please return these forms as soon as possible to Jennifer Reeder, whose address is on the form. Lets celebrate our 15th year away from Rivercrest High School back together again!

### Wanted, Cooks!

Liz Irwin, our cooking columnist, needs cooks to interview anywhere in this area. Please call her at 903-982-5829, or the Bogata News at 632-5322 or Deport Times at 379-4445 and tell us about a good or unusual cook of any age that you would like to see featured.



SHIRLEY YATES-representative from Detroit for the Red River County Chamber of Commerce introduced Kasey Crawford the chamber's ambassador from Bogata to those attending the RSVP meeting held at the Bogata Library/Museum on Tuesday. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

## Bogata Police Report for February

by Chief of Police Charles Clegg

The Bogata Police Department reports the following activity for the month of February 2000:

A total of 44 traffic stops with 27 citations issued along with 17 written warnings.

- 1 traffic accident-minor
- 2 traffic accidents-major
- 1 civil matter
- 1 report of shots fired
- 5 animal complaints
- 1 alarm
- 4 BOLO's
- 2 unlawful carrying of a weapon (juvenile)
- 1 report criminal mischief

- 1 report of prowler
- 1 welfare call (attempt suicide)
- 5 assists
- 1 criminal trespass
- 4 service calls
- 2 larceny thefts
- 2 disturbances
- 4 disturbance/FV Assault with Bodily Injury
- 1 felony D.W.I.
- 1 resisting arrest
- 1 minor in possession/alcohol
- 2 warrants served
- 7 arrests
- Until next month, Be Safe.

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## Junior High track and field teams compete in Paris March 4

The Rebel Junior High 7th and 8th grade boys and 7th grade girls traveled to Paris High School on Saturday, March 4 to compete in the Paris Junior Relays.

In the 7th grade boys division Matt Ross won 1st place in the 300 meter hurdles and the 1600 meter relay team placed 5th.

In the 7th grade girls division Cassie McCuller won 1st place in the 100 meter hurdles, Nikki O'Donnell took 4th in the 2400 meter run and Dana Crawford-6th in the 2400 meter run, the 400 meter relay team made up of Johna Ingram, Kerri Simmons, Casey Hammonds and Kendra Birchfield took 5th place, Jill Shirley won 6th place in the 800 meter run, the 800 meter relay team made up of Cassie McCuller, Lindsay Robertson, Heather Hawkins and Koren Hawkins took 5th place and the 1600 meter relay team made up of Tracy

Galloway, Kendra Birchfield, Johna Ingram and Cassie McCuller took 4th place. In the field events Casey Hammonds placed 5th in the triple jump with a jump of 24 feet 6 inches and 5th in the long jump with a jump of 11 feet, 11 1/2 inches.

The 8th grade Rebels also did well. In the field events Cody Cheatwood won 5th in the pole vault and Jeremy Ward took 6th in the shot put and 3rd in the high jump. In the running events the mile relay team made up of Shon Gage, Chance Belcher, Jeremy Ward and Keith Perry won 1st place.

Coaches Tammie Case and Jeremy Abshier were very pleased with their team considering the small amount of practice they have had and it being the first meet of the season. The teams competed against Commerce, Sherman, North Lamar, Paris Crockett, Paris Travis and Prairiland.

## Arts Festival is upcoming

The Paris Arts Festival will be held Saturday, May 6 from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. at the Red River Valley Fairgrounds.

Other new activities are a Cinco de Mayo dinner and celebrity art auction on Friday night, May 5. New at the Saturday festival will be Red River Valley Kennel Dog Trials, model train displays and archery demonstrations.

The Friday night dinner and celebrity art auction chairpersons are Dr. and Mrs. Donald Wikoff. Shelly Martin is heading the festival's entertainment committee.

This is the third year for the Paris Arts Festival's fiddling contest. Over 30 fiddlers from four states have competed for cash prizes in each of the past two years.

The contest starts at 1 p.m. on the main stage. It is funded in large part by the Paris visitors and Convention Committee.

A new contest for this year is the Essay/Poetry Contest for high school seniors.

Information may be obtained by calling 785-5221.

## Blossom Girls to hold benefit concert

The Blossom Girl's Softball Association will be holding a concert to benefit the girls softball program. The concert will be loaded with local talent that will include the Prairiland Ag Talent team Past and Present, Stacy Musgrove and the Stoney Creek Band and many others.

The date has been set for March 24 at 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. at the Blossom Gym with admission of \$3.00. There will be approximately fifty door prizes to be given away. Every-

one needs to hold on to their ticket that you are given at the door for a chance to win one of these great prizes. These prizes have been donated by local merchants with a final drawing at the end of the night for \$140.00 cash.

A concession stand will also be available with lots of goodies for everyone.

Come out and support these girls and enjoy a night of fun and good music.

## Rivercrest class of 1985 plans reunion

The Rivercrest High School class of 1985 is planning their 15th year reunion. It will be held May 20, 2000 at the Bogata Community Center.

It will be a two event reunion with families meeting around noon and bringing a picnic lunch. Later in the evening, the adults will meet for a meal, a program and their favorite music from the early 80's.

The class does need help finding some of their classmates. If you know the whereabouts of any of the following people, please contact Greg Russell at 903-463-3532;

Susan Baker  
Becky Burkley  
Penny Hanes  
John Jones  
Melissa Varner  
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Christy Brown  
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THE 7TH GRADE REBELS-track and field team participated in the Paris Junior Relays at Paris High on Saturday, March 4, 2000. The team over all did very well against higher ranked schools. Matt Ross took a first place in the 300 meter hurdles for the team and several other place ribbons were won. Team members are; (back from the left) Chris Cannon, Payden Franks and Coach Jeremy Abshier; (middle from the left) John Ed Graf, Jake Raulston, Ryan Winniford and Chad Davis and (front from the left) Matt Ross, McKenzie Ellis, Jordan Edge and Sonny Paredes. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

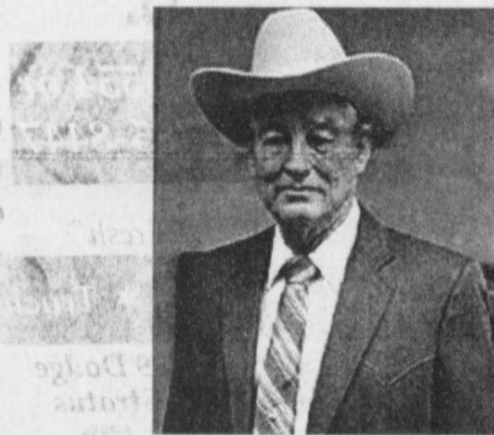


THE 7TH GRADE LADY REBEL-track and field team participated in the Paris Junior Relays at Paris High on Saturday, March 4, 2000. The team over all did very well against higher ranked schools. Cassie McCuller took a first place in the 100 meter hurdles for the team and several other place ribbons were won. Team members are; (back row from the left) Dawn Wilson, Cassie McCuller, Johna Ingram, Kendra Birchfield, Leslie Richeson, Lacie Hinton and Coach Debbie Williams; (front from the left) Nikki O'Donnell, Lindsey Robertson, Kerri Simmons, Casey Hammonds, Jill Shirley, Tracy Galloway, Koren Hawkins, Heather Hawkins and Dana Crawford. Not pictured is Coach Tammie Case. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



THE REBEL 8TH GRADE-track and field team participated in the Paris Junior Relays at Paris High on Saturday, March 4, 2000. The team overall did very well against higher ranked schools. The 1 mile relay team of Chance Belcher, Jeremy Ward, Keith Perry and Shon Gage took the first place medal and set a school record at the meet. The team members are: (back row from the left) Cody Clark, John Shade, Jeffrey Abernathy, Lonny Sheffield, Josh Weatherall, Cody Cheatwood, Justin Tucker and Coach Jeremy Abshier; (front row from the left) Shon Gage, Chance Belcher, Keith Perry and Jeremy Ward. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

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Just as the color of a person's skin is not a yardstick by which to measure a person's character, years on this earth is not a yardstick by which to measure a person's maturity.

You must look at how each individual lives their life.

I have represented people much older than myself who have done terrible and immature acts such as child molestation, embezzlement and drug use.

I have known people younger than myself who live and behave extremely mature.

Ask around. Ask people who know both candidates for County Attorney. Ask how each candidate lives his life and then you be the judge of who is the more mature candidate. I ask you to vote for me." **Vote for Val Varley on March 14<sup>th</sup>. Vote for Honesty, Integrity, and Hard Work.**

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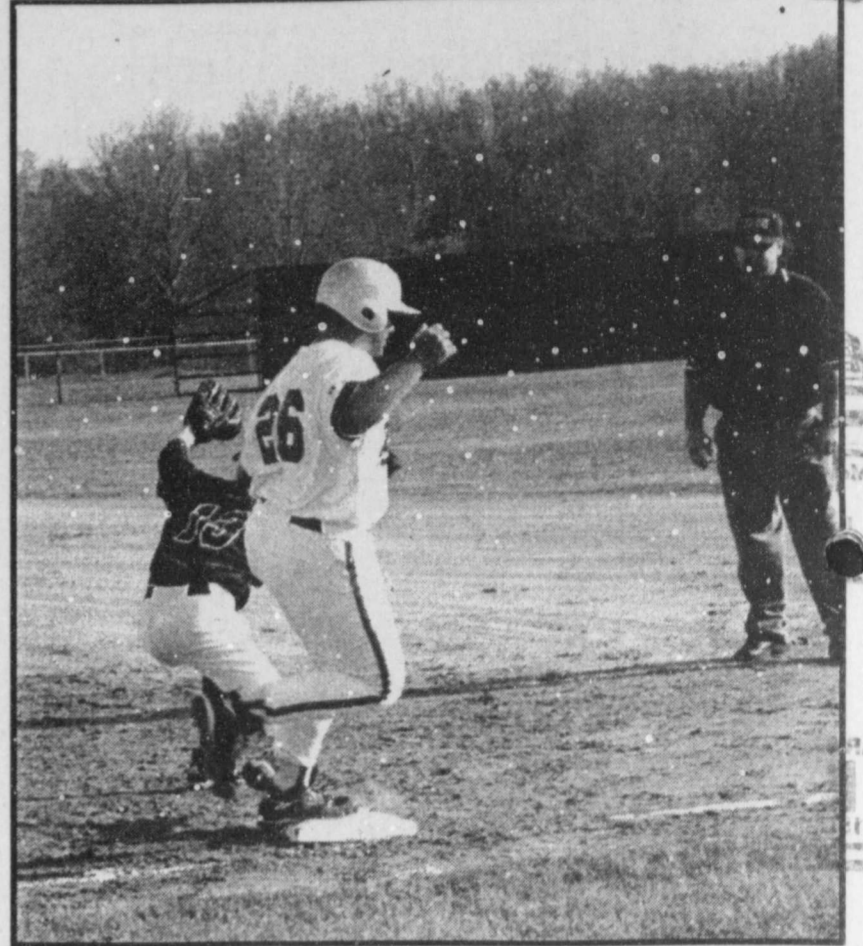
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REGULAR MEETING  
MONDAY, MARCH 13, 2000  
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- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. INVOCATION
- III. CONSENT ITEMS:  
APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS  
APPROVE BILLS AND FINAL WATER BILLS
- IV. HEAR VISITORS  
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- V. STAFF REPORTS  
WATER SUPT., WENDELL DAVIS  
FIRE DEPT., CHARLES LEWIS  
POLICE CHIEF, CHARLES CLEGG
- VI. OLD BUSINESS
  - A. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON CLARIFYING OVERTIME, HOW IT IS CALCULATED AND PAID, ETC. (TABLED FEB. 2000)
  - B.
  - C.
- VII. NEW BUSINESS
  - A. DISCUSSION & POSSIBLE ACTION ON PURCHASE OF NEW PATROL CAR.
  - B. DISCUSSION & POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPROVING A RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT CONSTRUCTION OF STEPHENSON DIRT CONTRACTING, LLC UNDER THE TX COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM CONTRACT NO. 793170.
  - C. DISCUSSION & POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPOINTING ELECTION JUDGES.
  - D. DISCUSSION & POSSIBLE ACTION TO INSTALL STREET LIGHT AT 717 NORTH MAIN, REQUESTED BY RANDY MILLER.
  - E. UPDATE ON OPENING OF BIDS ON FEBRUARY 16, 2000, FOR STREET REPAIR AND DISCUSSION & POSSIBLE ACTION ON STREET REPAIR.
  - F. DISCUSSION & POSSIBLE ACTION ON PURCHASE OF WET SUIT FOR WATER DEPT. APPROXIMATE COST \$500
  - G. DISCUSSION & POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING THREE MONTH REVIEW OF ANITA COUCH, CITY SECRETARY, AS STATED AT INTERVIEW.
  - H. DISCUSSION & POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING A DEPOSIT FOR COMMUNITY CENTER.
  - I. DISCUSSION & POSSIBLE ACTION REQUIRING ANYONE WHO WANTS TO SPEAK AT COUNCIL MEETING TO GET ON AGENDA AT SAME TIME COUNCILMEMBERS DO. (REQUESTED BY W. T. HARRISON)



LACI TAYLOR-rounds 3rd as the Lady Rebels met Cooper on Monday at Jothtown. After beginning a slow first two innings the Lady Rebs found the strike zone and drove the ball into the outfield for scores. The team took the win 14-4. Jamie Daniels was the winning pitcher for the Lady Rebels. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



ZACH WARD-beats the throw as the Rebel JV baseball team met Cooper on Monday at Rivercrest. The young Rebels went on to take the win 6-3. Zach Perry was the winning pitcher for the Rebels. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

**Bubba Abernathy receives Ft. Worth Stock Show calf scramble grant**

Pearis C. (Bubba) Abernathy, III of Bogata has been awarded a \$1000 scholarship by the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show. Bubba's grant is part of \$38,000 in total scholarships awarded this week to 40 high school students from across Texas who participated in the 1999 Calf Scramble program.

The grants, usable by the young people when they entered their freshman year in college, are the result of the Calf Scramble committee's fundraising efforts and support from individuals and businesses in this area. The generosity of donations enabled the committee to award educational grants above its intended goal for the third year in a row.

Sponsor for Bubba's college scholarship is Mr. and Mrs. Perry Bass and Mr. and Mrs. John P. Boswell, Ft. Worth. A member of Rivercrest FFA, he is the son of Pearis C. (Buddy) and Cindy Abernathy of Bogata. His Calf Scramble project, a polled Hereford heifer, was sponsored by Whit and

Gretchen Smith of Ft. Worth.

All winners were Texas 4-H Club and FFA Chapter members. They were selected on the basis of performance in their year long Calf Scramble heifer project which required management, correspondence with their sponsors and a final essay.

The Stock Show is pleased to recognize these young people with scholarship grants for their exceptional efforts and dedication in this important educational program according to W.R. Watt, Jr., show president/manager, who announced the winners.

Last year, during the Stock Show Rodeo the 270 boys and girls who caught a calf at the rodeo were awarded a \$500 certificate to purchase a heifer, care for it and return and show in the 2000 Stock Show's Junior Heifer event. Title sponsors for the Calf Scramble event are Mrs. Baird's Bakeries and Justin Boat Company of Ft. Worth.

**Red River County Sheriff's Report  
February 27-March 4**

February 27: Report of theft on CR1345; inmate released on four bail bonds; report of criminal mischief in Avery.

February 28: Inmate released to Lamar County on their charge; female arrested on warrant for assault by physical contact; male arrested on charge of unlawful carrying of a weapon; male arrested on six month court commitment; report of cattle complaint on CR1487; female arrested on charges of unlawful carrying weapon and possession of controlled substance; report of injury to a child.

February 29: Female arrested on warrant, assault; male arrested on warrant for felony theft, transported from Bowie County to Red River County; deadly conduct in Avery.

March 1: Suspicious circumstances in Detroit; motorist assist on CR1112; possible prowler south of Bogata.

March 2: Report of prowler; report of littering in Detroit; inmate released to Clarksville PD with time served on county charge; report of reckless driving on Hwy. 82; female arrested on arrant for failure to report to court/criminal mischief; female arrested

on warrant for issuance of bad check; male arrested on warrants for fail to display valid DL and speeding; male arrested on warrant for failure to appear; male arrested on warrants for failure to appear and violation of promise to appear.

March 3: Minor accident on Hwy. 82 west; report of issuance of bad check in Bogata; report of firearm disturbance on CR 1400; miscellaneous incident in Annona; male arrested on charge of fabricating physical evidence.

March 4: Male arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated and resisting arrest, search or transportation; report of disturbance; telephone harassment in Annona; burglary of habitation on FM412; male arrested on offense of driving while intoxicated and driving while license suspended; attempted kidnapping on CR4426; intoxicated person in Bogata; male arrested on aggravated assault, public intoxication, disorderly conduct and possession of marijuana less than 2 ounces; female arrested for evading arrest.

Red River County currently holds 45 inmates.

**Church service held at Theford Homes**

The recreation room at Theford Homes was decorated with a Valentine theme on Feb. 15 by Nancy Phillips. The group of 24 enjoyed visiting over a covered dish lunch.

The service began with gospel singing and several special numbers. A poem on "Friendship" was read by Dorothy Johnson. Mildred Tucker shared one of her original poems, "Hold On". An encouraging message was brought by Sister Karen Forsythe of Talco. She reminded the group how God uses small things in His work. She was joined in a duet by her son, Marty. Prayer requests were given and Valentines exchanged at the close of the meeting.

The next service will be Tuesday, March 21 at 12:00 noon in the recreation room at Theford Homes. Bro. Shawn Tully of Jothtown will be the guest speaker. Friends and resident of the Theford Homes are cordially invited.



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The candidates will begin their 5 minute maximum speeches around 6:30 p.m. The group are looking forward to hearing each candidate express his opinions, give qualifications and plans while in office. Everyone is encouraged to come out enjoy the meal and get acquainted with the candidates for local offices.

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