Nichols Worth

By Nanalee Nichols It was cruel, really. Thomas and I went suitcase shopping the other day. Our old suitcases have finally reached the point that they are beyond use. The zippers are broken, the wheels are square, and numerous luggage carousels have worn holes in the fabric.

We looked locally without finding exactly what we wanted. We wanted a solid hardside with big wheels and a sturdy handle. Most luggage is soft side, but we like to be sure out gifts and souvenirs are safely protected on trips, and ftside doesn't always fill the bill. Well, the only place that had anything remotely like what we wanted was Dillards. And they only had one. Just one lonely, suitcase, with a combination lock.

It was even on sale.

There was just one teeny weeny little problem. It was locked. Securely. Firmly. Completely. And no one knew the combination!

All combination locks on suitcases come from the factory with the combination set at 0000. Someone apparently decided it would be very funny to set the combination to something else, then go off and leave the luggage.

That must be why it was the only one of its kind left in the store.

The nice young man fooled with the locks on that suitcase for fifteen minutes.

Thomas and I messed with them.

The young man went for a supervisor.

She got down on the floor with the recalcitrant piece of luggage and wrestled with it for about 15 more minutes. Then she went for the department manager.

HE began to try and find the combination.

Thomas offered to buy it for a really low price "as is". They said, sadly, that they weren't al-



Forgery suspect arrested in Deport

teller stopped a forgery scheme last Thursday, ending a spree in which a Bogata woman had apparently forged checks in amounts from \$150 to as much as \$800.

Kayanna Loyce Presley, 33, of Bogata was arrested and has been charged with forgery of a financial instrument, according to Lamar County Deputy Steve Hill.

A teller at the Deport bank called the Sheriff's Department and reported that someone at the drive through window was trying to cash and \$800 check

Hill said the teller knew the owner

An alert Guaranty Bank-Deport, of the account at Guaranty Bank in Deport and that the check book had been reported stolen.

Deputy Hill and Deputy Thomas Barr responded to the call and confronted the woman, who was then arrested. "At first she said she had received the checks from the checkbook owner" Hill reports, "then she said she had written them, but with his permission. We told her we knew better '

"According to the carbons of the checks it appears the woman had written checks for at least \$5,000 " Deputy Hill said.

BOGATA

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Calendar girls to appear at Talent Show April 8, 2000

The Talco and Bogata PTO's will host Chicken Spaghetti Supper and Talent Show at Rivercrest High School on April 8, 2000. The supper will begin at 5:00 p.m. and prices will be \$4.00 per plate for adults and \$2.00 per plate for children 12 and under. The meal will include Chicken Spaghetti, salad, beans, dessert and tea. There will also be a childs plate including one slice or pizza and drink for \$1.00 per plate. A silent cake and pie auction will also be held.

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 invita-tion only. Special guests at the show will be the 2000' Calendar Girls. Other entertainment will be provided by the children's spring style show, local singers, gymnists and much more.

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

City of Bogata to hold public hearing

The City of Bogata will be holding a Public Hearing at 6:00 p.m. on Monday, April 10, 2000 in Council Chambers at City Hall at 128 North Main Street.

The purpose of this meeting is to get public input on the planning stages of our Drought Contingency Plan required by the Texas State Legislature. Everyone is encouraged to attend and assist in the planning process.

Council releases agenda

The Bogata City Council will meet in regular session on Monday, April 10 at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall.

Items to be discussed on the agenda include

Staff reports from water superintendent, fire department and police chief.

New business will include: street light on FM909 by bridge and Thomas Park; amending junk vehicle description in Ordinance 98-09; adopting truck ordinance; drought contingency plan required by Senate Bill one passed by the Texas Legislature; cross connection and backflow prevention ordinance required by Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission; creation of city ordinance specifying officer count in accordance with government code and Texas Commission on Law Enforcement officer standards and education; Tom White selling lots at S. Bryson and SH 271; projected street rental from GTE and possible action to discontinue the VFD donation in the future; set May 9-12 to canvass votes and set date for swearing in new officers; purchase 20 chairs for City Hall; install more speed bumps on Roachtown Road per Mike Williams.

Guaranty Bank to sponsor fund drive for Library/Museum

On Friday, April 14, Guaranty 9:00 am. until 4:00 p.m. Bank of Bogata will sponsor a fund drive for the Bogata Public Library-Museum.

On this day, all donations made to the library fund up to \$500.00 will

A variety of the items to be per-

manently displayed in the Library-Museum will be on display in the bank lobby during the day.

lowed to do that. It was obvious that they would have LOVED to see that case go out the door.

Finally, we (that is Thomas and I) gave up and we left. The three sales people, however, hadn't given up. They were still there, with the suitcase moved up on the counter, pounding, clicking, prying and generally trying to get the suitcase open.

They were having no luck and their frustration level was rising by the moment.

I think I began to hear scattered curse words coming from them. I don't think they knew when we left, so fixated were they on being safe crackers (or suitcase crackers).

Poor things, I know that that piece of luggage is going to be like a sore tooth ... they aren't going to be able to keep from picking at it!

Oh well, I hated to leave them, but better them than me!

Bogara Church of Christ Homecoming to be held

The Bogata Church of Christ will hold Homecoming on April 9, 2000. Services will begin with Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. and Worship services at 11:30 a.m.

Following the morning worship everyone will share a noon meal from 12:00 to 1:30 p.m. Following the meal evening services will begin at 2:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend.

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NEW SIGN-June Stanley and Connie Kay Brooks were proud to show the new Bogata public Library/ Museum sign erected recently by James Bryson and A.D. Stephenson. The new sign adds a good, solid feel to the budding project and the board hopes to see the building receive regular visitors after its opening day. (Staff Photo by Nancy Brown)



DENISE WOOD-of the Bogata Library/Museum board accepted a donation from Christus St. Joseph and the Bogata Family Care Center on Tuesday, April 4, 2000. Pictured (left to right) are Amie Burger-Receptionist, Dr. Joseph Emmite, Kim Kelsey-Office Manager, Denise Wood, Brandi Reavis-LVN and Kay Legate-Office Coordinator. The Library/Museum Board greatly appreciated the donation which will be used to continue work toward completion of the Library/Museum. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



DOCTOR'S DAY-Janice Martin and Sue Thomas of Red River Healthcare Center presented Dr. Devabrata Ganguly with a gift and a platter of cookie in honor of Doctor Appreciation Day last week. Dr. Ganguly's services are appreciated by everyone in the community.

be matched by Guaranty Bank-Bogata.

Cookies, punch and coffee will be served in the lobby of the bank from

Everyone is encouraged to drop by the bank, have refreshments, meet some of the library board members and make your donation to the Library and Museum.



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 Alsobrook 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.

Clean up rules for Bogata

The City of Bogata will pick up large items on Wednesday, April 12, Thursday, April 13 and Friday, April 14. Please call City Hall at 632-5315 by Thursday, April 13 for pick-up. If you want to bring your items, a large dumpster will be available abehind City Hall.

Rules for the clean-up include: no hazardous waste; no paint; no oil; no tires; no batteries; no refrigerators or air conditioners or anything containing freon unless freon has been removed and appliance is tagged by licensed technician; no leaves or yard waste.

Talco Homecoming set for April 29

The planning meeting for the annual Talco Homecoming was held on Tuesday, March 21, 2000. Seventeen Ex's attended. The main item discussed was changing the scheduled meeting on May 6. There is a conflict with the school board elections to be held on that date. The group decided to have the meeting on the last Saturday in April from this day forward, with the 2000 date being April 29.

The City of Bogata will have the

fire siren repaired the first week in

April and citizens are reminded not

to be unduly alarmed by the ringing of the fire siren during the testing

be tested

period.

Another change concerns Special year classes. In the past those groups who had been out of school in five or ten years from the current year were

honored. In the future this will only be the classes who have been out 40, 50 and 60 years for the Special honor. Any other groups who want a special meeting can contact the officers for a listing of their class.

The honor classes for the current (2000) meeting and persons working

1940-Christelle Cato, Bud Barrett and Joe (Mutt) Harper.

1945-Jerene Chapman Flanagan and Dan Cotten.

1950-Minerva Easterling Gentry and Bobby Watts.

1955-Lois Shaw Jordan and Bobbye Blackburn Kelly.

1960-Virginia Johnson Onyett and Sue Gaddis Shumate.

1965-Ottis Hall.

Anyone who would work on the 2001 classes; 1941, 1951 and 1961, please let the president, Ralph Parsons, know before the reunion if possible. Everyone is also encouraged to notify friends and relatives of the change in the date for the reunion and make plans to attend for a day of reminiscing with old friends, making new friends and sharing a good meal

Sirens to

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This week's cook sure takes the prize. . .ad I mean that literally. He recently won first place in the Blossom Kiwanis CASI chili-cookoff and third place in the local portion of the contest. He is Wesley Tallant of Blossom.

Wesley is a 19-year veteran of the Paris Fire Department and also runs Tallant Small Engine Repair out of his home in Blossom. Since he is looking at retirement in the next few years, he has ventured into another territory and that is Amphibious all-Terrain vehicles! These six-wheel all-purpose craft can take mud, water, sludge or whatever you dish out to them. He is the only dealer around this area for these recreational craft and they sure look like a lot of fun to play with. He hopes to boost the small engine business by selling these and urges everyone to come out and try one.

He and his wife Janet have lived in Blossom for the last 19 years and they have three sons, Kevin, Jonathan

and Michael. All three of the boys graduated from Prairiland High, School. The family enjoys camping, hunting and fishing. Wesley enjoys cooking and like to try different recipes and add his own touch to them.

Blue Ribbon Chili-this is the lst place winner! He says that the sugar seems to counteract the grease.

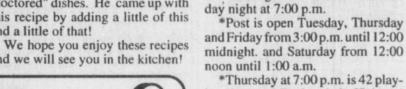
Oven Baked Hamburger Steakthis recipe is really good and can also be cooked on the grill and add other vegetables such as carrots, squash and other favorites!

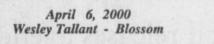
Beef Fajita-a favorite of everyone. Can feed a couple or a crowd! Tex-Mex Casserole--this is a great recipe for anytime of the year! Chicken Fajitas-this recipe like

the beef fajitas are great! Ham Stir-this is one of Wesley's

:doctored" dishes. He came up with this recipe by adding a little of this and a little of that!

and we will see you in the kitchen!





Blue Ribbon Chili pounds lean ground cl.ili meat -1/2 medium onion-diced 5-8 ounce cans tomato sauce -10 ounce can diced tomatoes and green chilis 5 tablespoons chili powder 4 cloves garlic-minced 2 teaspoons salt /4 cup brown sugar Brown meat, onion, garlic and salt. Add dry ingredients and mix well. Add remaining ingredients and stir. Simmer

at least one hour; stirring often. **Oven Baked Hamburger Steaks** pounds hamburger meat-lean

slices onion-1/4 inch thick can mushroom soup /2 can water salt and pepper to taste

Preheat oven to 350 degrees, Make four pattys with meat and place in baking pan. Place one slice of onion on each patty. Salt and pepper to taste, Mix water and soup mix in bowl and pour over pattys. Bake for one hour.

Beef Fajitas fajita meat sliced onion sliced bell pepper chopped tomato season salt pepper

Tex-Mex Casserole I pound ground beef l onion I can Ranch-Style beans I cup picante sauce 1/2 pound Colby-Jack cheese I tablespoon chili powder I clove garlic I bag tortilla chips Preheat oven to 350 degrees. In large cast-iron skillet, brown beef, onion and garlic. Pour off grease. Strain juice from

beans and picante sauce and save. Stir into meat mixture. Add chili powder then beans and picante juice until desired consistency. Top with a layer of half of the cheese. Layer tortilla chips on cheese and add remainder of cheese. Bake in oven until cheese melts, about 10-15 minutes

Chicken Fajitas

l chicken 2 tablespoons margarine 1/4 cup picante sauce I sliced medium onion I sliced bell pepper grated cheddar cheese sour cream flour tortillas

Remove chicken meat from bone and slice into l/-inch strips. Saute chicken, margarine, onion and bell pepper in nonstick pan until done; about 30-45 min-



COOK OF THE WEEK is Wesley Tallant of Blossom. In addition he does small engine repairs. He stands here with several of his all terrain vehicles. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

Bogata V.F.W. Post 8187

News

*Meeting time is 2nd and 4th Mon-

ing time and Pool and shuffleboard

* The VFW will be starting a pool

* On April 20 a bar-b-que meal

tournament on Tuesday night at 7:00

pm. Everyone is invited to come out

will be served at the post with all

proceeds going to the Ladies Auxil-

iary. Serving will begin at 5:30 p.m.

Following the meal at 7:00 p.m 42

will begin. This is also a birthday

party for those with April birthdays.

Please make plans to attend for good

the next year. All members are urged

to attend the April meetings. Every

member will be needed to have a

strong VFW and Auxiliary. Please

contribute your support and help keep

*Happy Birthday to Shannon

*Get Well Wishes to Mildred Eudy,

*Welcome Home to Todd Duffer

who is on leave after a 2 year tour in

Phyllis Duffer and Jean Smith.

Keith to speak

Italy with the U.S. Navy.

*April is election of officers for

for competition and fellowship.

are open all the time.

food and fellowship.

Bogata's VFW strong.

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Card of Thanks

bly of God Church.

God bless you, Willie and Berniece

Card of Thanks The members of Rosalie Masonic Lodge No. 527 would like to express and caring.



Reception to honor McClanahan at PJC

A reception to honor F.I. McClanahan and to dedicate the bronze statue "Diskobolus" will be held at Paris Junior College on April 16

McClanahan, who has contributed a number of works of art to PJC, has recently donated a bronze of "The Discus Thrower" or "Diskobolus" to the college. The bronze is a copy of the original work done by Myron, who is believed to have lived during the first half of the fifth century.

Card of Thanks

This is my anniversary of being down for one year. I would like to express my heartfelt thanks to the people that have made my life more bearable. My deepest regret is that I was not able to pay my final respects to friends and people I had worked with for many years; Mr. Marr, Mrs. Broadway, Mrs. Rundles, Mrs. Potter, Mr. Doug, Mrs. Ray, Mark Cowan's daughter, Mrs. Barber's and Mrs. Burchinal's mother, Paul J. Gaston and E.R. Pratt.

I am thankful for all the cards, calls, reading materials and etc. that various people brought. Many thanks for the food and the ladies at the bank for putting up with me, the ladies that sold the quilts, Mrs. Covington and Mr. Coleman for carrying on the work of the cemetery, those that furnished labor and/or money to finish the house. I thought I was being carried to the wrong house when I was brought home from the hospital.

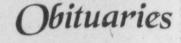
I'm still under the care of Dr. Surber We would like to express our deep- and Dr. Woodfin and go to St. Joseph's est appreciation to everyone who for therapy each Tuesday and Thurscalled, sent food, flowers and visited day. Many thanks to my wife and during the loss of our loved one. children, and all they've done. Also Special thanks to Wood Funeral my pastor Rev. Ryherd and family Home, the caregivers, the pastor and and Mrs. Shelby and Dana for carrythe congregation at Bogata Assem- ing on my job at the church. My heartfelt thanks to all of you and may

God bless all of you. **Charles Sharp**

Card of Thanks

The family of Geraldine Ward would like to express our appreciatheir sincere thanks and appreciation tion to the staff of Carriage House to each and every one who helped Manor, the third floor nurses of make our fundraiser benefit for Mark HCMH, to Dr. Jones and especially and Jana Hawkins family a success. to Dr. Latham for the care given to Your donations and help in their time her. We would like to thank everyone of need was a true example of love for your calls, cards, visits, food, flowers, prayers and kindness shown during her hospital stay and the loss of

> our mother. **Glenda Ward Holder & Family** Sarah Ward Ragsdill & Family



Roberta Moon Kile, 98 dies March 27

Roberta Moon Kile, age 98, died Monday, March 27, 2000 in Clifton, Texas. Funeral services were held at 2:00 p.m. on Friday, March 31, 2000 at Laurel Land in Dallas with burial in-Laurel Land Memorial Park.

She was born December 13, 1901 to the Rev. Zachariah Butler Moon and Virginia Duval Moon in H boro, Texas. Although an only child, the Moon's welcomed many into their home and Roberta developed a sisterly relationship with several indi-viduals, especially Margaret Roark Kidd who preceded her in death.

Roberta attended North Texas State Normal College in Denton and taught grades 1 through 11 in a one room school house in East Texas in 1919. She chose the role of wife and mother over her career and spent her life as a happy homemaker. She was known to many as Mama Kile. She and her family were former residents of Bogata and Roberta was possibly named for the Moon Ranch which they owned at one time.

She was preceded in death by b parents; her husband, Roscoe "Rocky" Kile; her daughters, Margaret Engelhardt and Minniejohn Tidwell and one infant son, Roscoe Leslie Kile Junior and one grandchild, Richard "Ricky" Tidwell.

Survivors are; two sons, Z.B. Moon Kile and Jack W. Kile, one daughterin-law, Betty Connerton Kile, one son-in-law, Robert J. Engelhardt; eight grandchildren, twelve great grandchildren and three great great grandchildren.

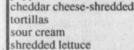
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serve.

Grill meat with season salt and pepper to taste. Garlic powder may be used if desired. Slice meat after grilling into I/ 2 inch pieces. While meat is cooking; saute onion, bell pepper and tomato. To serve, steam tortillas and place meat along with vegetables, sour cream, cheese and lettuce on tortilla and roll up and

utes. Add picante sauce and simmer to 10 minutes. Serve with steamed tortillas, cheese and sour cream. Ham Stir 3 cups diced ham

I tablespoon butter or margarine 2 tablespoons soy sauce 2 tablespoons hot sauce I cup chopped onion 2 tablespoons brown sugar 2 tablespoons flour salt to taste

Melt butter in non-stick skillet and add onion and cook until clear. Add remaining ingredients except flour. Cook for 20 minutes; stirring occasionally. Remove meat to bowl. Stir flour into drippings and water until desired thickness. Pour over ham and serve over



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at April 10 meeting

Sandy Keith will speak to the Bereaved Parent Support Group at their meeting at April 10, beginning at 7 p.m. at the TU Electric Building in Paris.

She is Patient Care Representative at McCuistion Regional Medical Center.

Everyone is invited to attend.

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chronic or severe cases, a podiatrist may recommend removing all or a

portion of the nail. Most toenail sur-

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ence very little pain immediately af-

ter nail surgery and throughout the two to three week healing process. If any

bone has been removed, healing with take a bit longer. The podiatrist may prescribe pain medication and advise

soaking the toe several times daily for

Feet seem especially susceptible to

nail problems of all kinds. It might be because of all the time they spend in

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NOTES

The bronze will be displayed in the foyer of the Louis B. Williams Administration Building.

The dedication will begin at 2 p.m. in the foywer of the Administratin Building, followed by a reception honoring McClanahan.

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Fosters celebrate 50th anniversary

Gene and Norma Foster of Clyde celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary recently at the home of Lloyd and Eunice Ford of Rugby. They also celebrated Mrs. Ford's birthday

Gary Ford of Wichita Falls also came in that weekend and they ali went out to eat.

Mr. and Mrs. Ford will be celebrating their 71st wedding anniversary in April.

Class of 1960 to meet

The graduating class of 1960 from Bogata High School will have a reunion on Saturday, April 8, 2000 beginning at 10:30 a.m. at the home of Neva Dell Harville, 407 South Bryson in Bogata. All class members, friends and former faculty are cordially invited to attend.

Have A Nice Weekend



COACHOFTHEYEAR-Riv ercrest Rebel Coach Steve Weddle received the honor of District Coach of the Year. **Coach Weddle served as Junior** Varsity Coach at RHS in his first coaching job. He moved to Prairiland and then returned to take over the retiring Coach Wake Wood's position as Rivercrest Head Boys Basketball Coach. Coach Weddle and his wife Stacy, who is a teacher at Bogata Elementary, reside in Bogata. The couple have two children, Jalyn and Jacob. Congratualtions!! (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Mrs. Jeffrey Gasaway, the former Kara Mc Lemore

McLemore-Gasaway exchange wedding vows

Miss Kara McLemore became the On," and "Somewhere in the World". bride of Jeffrey Gasaway on Saturday, March 4 at 4:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church of Plano with Dr. Michael Riley officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Matthew McLemore of Plano. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Gasaway of Bartlesville, OK.

Tricia McCord of Plano was maid of honor and Greg Gasaway of Levelland was best man. Ushers were Ken Shultz of Ernie, PA and Kirk McLemore of Carrollton. Flowergirls were Jessica Bercen and Cayenne Desol and the ringbearer was Joey Bercen. Heidi Schultz, sister of the groom, sang "From This Moment

The bride was escorted to the altar and given in marriage by her father. Following the wedding, a recep-

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tion was held in the fellowship hall of the First Baptist Church.

The bride is a graduate of Plano Senior High School and East Texas State University. She is a teacher in Plano.

The groom is a graduate of Odessa Permian High School and Texas Tech University. He is a teacher/coach in Plano.

The bride is the granddaughter of the late Mr and Mrs. Johnnie McLemore of Deport and the late Mr. and Mrs. Dan Seay of Talco.



Mr. & Mrs James Bell

Rames Bell to be honored April 9, 2000 On April 9, 2000 a celebration in

honor of the 50th anniversary of Elder and Mrs. James Bell's service in the gospel ministry will be held at Liberty Hill Missionary Baptist Church from 2 to 4 pm. This honorary service will include singing, fellowship and refreshments. All who wish to celebrate Elder Bell's many contributions to the ministry are encouraged to attend.

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Elder James Bell graduated from Mt. Pleasant High School in may of 1942. On August of that same year he married the love of his life, Myrtle Randle. They have been blessed with 2 children, Darlene and Donald, 4 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren. In 1943 Elder Bell went into the Army. He served in the infantry and was wounded in November, 1944 at Leyte Island by a Japanese hand grenade. He was awarded the prestigious purple heart and bronze star medals. He accepted the call to the ministry at Mt. Pleasant Missionary Church in August 1950 and was licensed by the church on September 10. His first pastoral position was at Old Union Missionary Baptist Church. Since then he has served as pastor at Mt. Sylvia Baptist Church, Hickory Hill Baptist Church, Liberty

Hill Baptist Church and Argo Baptist Church. He also served as moderator of the Hopewell Baptist Association. Elder and Mrs. Bell are presently active members of the Liberty Hill Baptist Church.

Elder Bell is proud of the many souls he has helped lead to salvation and baptism. When asked about his most memorable baptism he replied, Baptism was originally performed in local pools. One woman I remember, insisted on wearing shoes during her baptism. When she entered the pond she slipped and fell completely under water before I was able to baptize her."

Elder and Mrs. Bell have seen many changes over 50 years of service. He has seen pools replaced with heated indoor baptisteries, wood burning stoves replaced with modern central heating and air conditioning and hard straight-backed pews replaced with plush cushioned ones. Simple country churches are being replaced with large elaborate buildings. "I've seen a lot of churches disbanded over the years and less young men are entering the ministry." he said. "The min-istry has changed. Workers meeting have been cut out. Churches are falling away from the true teachings of

Jesus Christ."

Behind almost every successful pastor there is a successful pastor's wife. "Myrtle has been with me from the very beginning. I thank God daily for her presence in my life. She is not only my wife but my friend." says Elder Bell. Fellow church members describe Mrs. Bell as a very warm, Christian woman with a heart of gold. Whether it is carrying food to the sick, making phone calls to the lonely, or saying prayers for the lost and hurting, she always gives of herself to those in need.

Holding revivals have been an important part of their ministry. "One revival held at Old Union Baptist Church was standing room only." he remembers. The Bell's have also served as a fill-in pastor to almost every church in the Hopewell Association. Whether due to illness, vacations or pastoral vacancies, they have always stepped in when needed.

When asked about his 50 years of service, Elder Bell replied "I have preached all of these years, held down a full time job and still had time for my God and his ministry. We have enjoyed every church we have pastored. We would do it all over again.

Class of '54 to meet following reunion

The Bogata High School class of 1954 will have a class reunion immediately following homecoming activities on Saturday, April 8 at the home of Boyce and Eva Flenniken in Deport.

A barbeque supper will be served at 4:00 p.m. for class members, their families and other friends who are interested in attending.

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 questioneer was mailed to all class members who have been found and a request for a return of the questioneer 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 questioneers are very

Class of '65 to hold reunion

The Bogata High School graduating class of 1965 will have its 35th reunion on Saturday, April 8 in the library on the Bogata campus, beginning at 10:30 a.m.

632-5405. For more information, contact

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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 Dove 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 vear 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.

Class of 1940 to meet

The Bogata High School graduat-ing class of 1940 will have its 60th reunion on Saturday, April 8, 2000 beginning at 10:00 a.m. at the Fellowship Hall of the Bogata United Methodist Church. All class members, friends and teachers are invited to attend

important and even if plans to attend are not made the questioneers will let classmates know what has happend in each classmates life.

All classmates a 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.!

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;

Christy Brown Susan Baker Kyle Roland **Becky Burkley** Nancy Smith Penny Hanes John Jones Leon Kaelke Hayden Martin Melissa Varner **Cindy Woods** Donna Unruh

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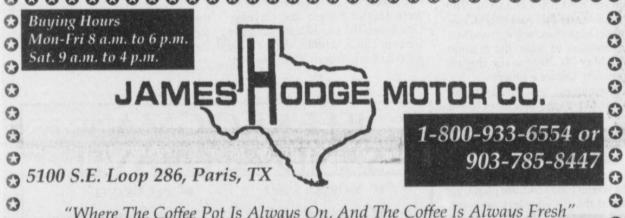
On March 8, 2000, Texas-New Mexico Power Company "TNMP") filed rates for serving distributed generation within the State of Texas. These rates include:

- (1) Distributed Generation Service ("DGS");
- (2) Transmission Service Distribution Voltage; and
- (3) Agreement for Standby Service

This filing, which has been assigned Tariff Control No. 22256, was made in compliance with Substantive Rule 25.211 and provides for interconnection and parallel operation of distributed generation. Upon approval by the Public Utility Commission of Texas ("PUC") this rate will be available system-wide and will remain in effect until January 1, 2002.

Persons who wish to intervene in or comment upon this proceeding should notify the PUC as soon as possible. The deadline for intervention in the proceeding is May 5, 2000. A request to intervene or for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326. Further information may also be obtained by calling the Public Utility Commission's Office of Consumer Protection at (512)936-7120 or (888)782-8477. Hearing and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may contact the PUC at (512)936-7136. In addition, information may be obtained by contacting Garry Johnson of TNMP at (800)435-2822.







IACOB DON ROACH-celebrated his first birthday on Sunday, February 27, 2000 with a party at the home of his parents, Justin and Lisa Roach. The theme of the party was Winnie the Pooh. In attendance were his grandparents, Me-Maw Judy and Paw Paw Donnie Sherrill and Granny, Gayle Roach, great aunts, Jerri Jeffries and Nell Barkley who were visiting from Ponca City, OK. Also attending were; Greg, Mandy and Gradyn Sherrill, Ike and Dorie Roache, MeLissa and Rikki Dawn Roach, Mikel Micah and Mason Haynes, Donna and Alysa Hildebrand, Denise and Shelby Bryson, LatrelSmith. Jacob received happy birthday calls from his Poppy, Don Roach and hissister, Sherea who were unable to attend the party. Jacob received many nice gifts and had a wonderful time with his guest.



Bogata Locals By Nancy Brown Call 632-5322 or 379-4445

Kenneth and Phyllis Duffer and Zelma Mauldin were in Irving Wednesday and Thursday. They met Todd Duffer at DFW Airport. Todd recently returned from Signella Sicily after a 2 year tour with the U.S. Navy. He will report to Norfolk, Virginia following his leave on April 16, 2000.

Felina and Jerica White and Dixie Stringfellow visited Sunday with Jimmy Stringfellow in Blossom.

Jennifer and Riley Reeder were home on Sunday visiting with parents, Jerry and Gerlyn Gray and family. A family dinner was held in honor of Jennifer's birthday. Attending were Margaret Davis, Jessica, Danny and Marli Hines, Harold, Judy, Heather and Heath Holt and Willie Mae Gray. Danny was the cook for the day grilling hamburgers for everyone.

Tricia, Corey and Casey Bradey of Bismark, Arkansas visited with her brother, Todd Duffer and parents, Kenneth and Phyllis Duffer over the weekend.

Donald and Judy Screws enjoyed Sunday lunch at the home of their daughter and family, Chris Anna, Jerry, Christopher and Jerred Guerra

Darian Dodd winner of Six Flags passes

779 tickets on 2 season passes to Six Flags Over Texas and the lucky winner was Darrian Dodd, a kindergarten student at Bogata Elementary. The tickets were donated by Attention Collections of Talco.

The group would like to thank the generous people of the area for their ticket purchases and for helping their bake sale, "Cooking for a Cure" held last week earn near \$700.

The group also now has an Easter Basket filled with candy, retired

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in Paris. Visiting with Ed and Lois Huddlestion Saturday were their son and daughter-in-law, Ronnie and

Faye Huddleston of Corinth. Attending funeral services for Roberta Moon Kile in Dallas on Friday were Gaston and Roberta Puckett, Janice Martin of Bogata, Otelen Chandler, Edith Brawner and Linda Sikes all of Paris and B.A. and Virginia Williams of Grand Prairie.

Recent visitors of Dixie Stringfellow include Michael Tabb, Suzann Holland, Billy Stringfellow, Dee and Maggie Dee Richardson, Buddy Stringfellow, Dan and Vicki Tabb, Jimmy Stringfellow, Chad, Felina and Jerica White, Danny Tabb, Barbara Knight, Elaine Baird, Dorris Parker, Edna Earl Dodd and Betty Joy Puck-

Zelma Mauldin visited with her son and daughter-in-law, Jerry and Belinda Mauldin, in Hurst Wednesday night.

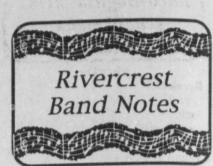
Happy April birthday to; Shannon Rhoades, Betty Joy Puckett, Brittany Perez, Dee Richardson, Danny and Michael Tabb, Felina White, and John Lee Roach.

The "Talco Sugar Bakers" sold Beanie Babies and Buddies and recent releases that they are selling chances on. Anyone wanting a chance may contact Rhonda Brown or Joan

Weatherall. The tickets are \$1.00 each and will be sold until the Annual Talco Park Easter Egg Hunt when the winner will be drawn.

the "Bingo Nite" on April 29 at the Talco School cafeteria from 6:00 to 10:00 p.m. All funds raised by the "Talco Sugar Bakers" will go to the American Cancer Society.

Everyone is also invited to attend



On March 23, 2000 theRivercrest Band performed at Mt. Pleasant High School in their annual invitational contest. They received a 2nd division on their prepared music which i cluded Newcastle March and Kore Folk Song Rhapsody. For the sightreading portion of the contest, the band received a 1st division along with a trophy for performing a piece of music that they had never seen before. "I feel like the ratings that the band received are just another highlight of the success that the program has enjoyed all year long", says director Clayton Taylor. "The band program has made tremendous progress since those first "sounds" that the group made on July 29. The students were very professional at the contest and received many compliments on how well they represented our school. I am truly blessed to be associated with these fine young men and women." The Rivercree Band is to perform their program April 6 at the UIL Concert/ Sightreading contest held in Gladewater.

* The Rivercrest Band Banquet will be held this year on Friday, May 5 in the High School Cafeteria. Everyone is invited to attend.

* The Rivercrest Band will be having auditions for Flags for the coming year. Any student, whether they are in band or not entering grades 9-12 next year, can pick up an information packet from the Rivercrest High School office or from Talco or Bogata School offices or from Band Director, Clayton Taylor.

Red River Healthcare Center to sponsor Easter coloring contest

The Red River Healthcare Center will be sponsoring an Easter coloring contest for Bogata School grades Kindergarten through Second. 1st, 2nd and 3rd place prizes will be awarded to winners selected from each grade level. Each child entering will receive a candy treat and winners will be announced in the Bogata

News. The Easter pictures will be on display in the chapel at Red River Healthcare Center.

Easter pictures will be given out and colored at the Bogata School. Everyone is encouraged to stop by and see their childs picture and visit with the residents and staff of Red River Healthcare Center.

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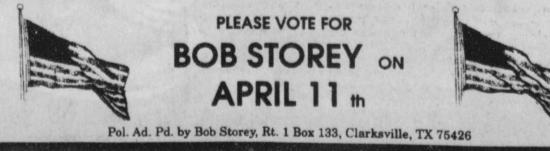
I would like to thank the citizens of Red River County who have supported me with their hard work during this election and would appreciate your continued vote of confidence.

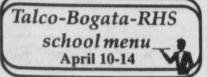
officials

I am running on my merits and past record. While I was Sheriff, a high percentage of burglary, theft, murder and drug cases were cleared.

I believe the citizens are ready for a positive change in the Sheriff's office. I have the qualifications and experience to make those changes. If elected, I will make the Sheriff's office, and myself available to the citizens of Red River County.

EVERY vote is needed to make a positive change. Please take the time to vote.





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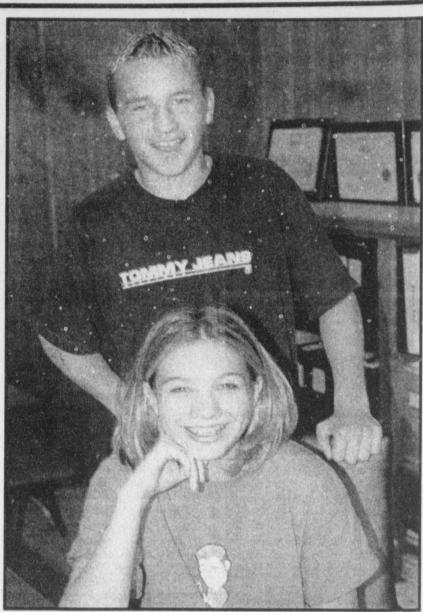
Tuesday reakfast **Cinnamon Rolls** gramcrackers w/peanut butter juice & milk Lunch Steak fingers w/gravy cream potatoes peas rolls milk

Wednesday Breakfast Sausage & biscuit w/jelly juice & milk Lunch MacRib sandwich potato salad seasoned beans **Rosie applesauce** milk

Thursday **Breakfast** Pancakes w/syrup juice & milk Lunch Chicken spaghetti salad corn garlic toast dessert milk Friday Breakfast

Cereal toast juice & milk Lunch Cheeseburgers seasoned beans burger salad icecream chips milk





MOST BEAUTIFUL AND MOST HANDSOME-Elected Most Beautiful and Most Handsome from the Rivercrest Freshman class this year are Danielle Easterling and Kasey Easley. Danielle is the daughter of Terri Cabell of Talco and Doug Easterling of Pittsburg. Kasey is the son of Rene Wisinger of Maple Springs and Kent Easley of Mt. Pleasant. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Law needs modification, says ICA

The Independent Cattleman's Associatin of Texas today broke with all other agricultural trade associates in the state and urged the Legislature to modify the "Rule of Capture," to protect landowners from having their water sources depleted.

ICA President Chuck Kiker of Beaumont said that landowners face the certainty of losing the right to control the water under their land if the Legislature fails to act.

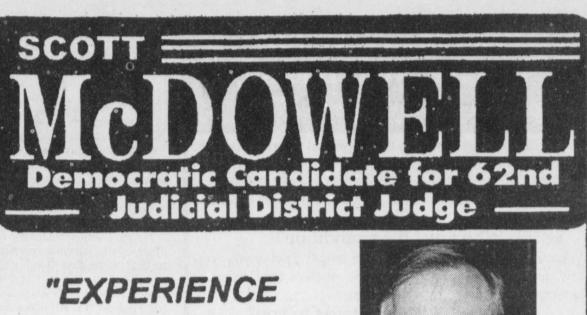
The "Rule of Capture" was declared to be the law in Texas by the

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Supreme Court in 1904. It affirms the right of landowners to use the water under their land. Landowners cannot compete with Texas cities in the demand for water. The cities simply have bigger pumps.

ICA is urging that a duty be imposed on all water users in Texas to consider the impact on the aquifer from which they are pumping and on adjoining landowners.

Kiker pointed out that the alternative, ultimately, was regulation of groundwater by the State of Texas.



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It is my belief that experiences are what make a great judge. My experience for 33 years of law practice includes: City Attorney for 4 years with the city of Dallas, 10 years as Muncipal Judge, and 12 years as Assistant County Attorney, under Tom Wells.

I have represented people from all walks of life from criminal defendants, people who have been injured, doctors, lawyers, banks and insurance companies. I have tried cases in the courts from the J.P. Court to the Supreme Court of the United States, representing the people and the state in both civil and criminal cases.

My father, Cotton McDowell, owned and operated the Loop 286 Truck Stop & Restaurant. He instilled in me an excellent work ethic. I worked on trucks, changed flat tires, pumped gas both night and day and dealt with people on a daily basis.

While raising three children, I coached football, basketball, baseball and soccer, and experienced, with my kids, heartaches and good times.

My experience in roles in the law practice, the business world, as the employer, as the prosecutor, the defense attorney, in the title business, as the landlord, the coach, and the parent all contribute to making me the most qualified to serve in the role as your 62nd **District Judge.**

I want to be your judge! Scott McDowell

PLEASE REMEMBER TO VOTE IN THE RUNOFF APRIL 11th.

Pd. pol. adv. by Scott AlcDowell, who has rejected the voluntary limits of the Judicial Campaign Fairness Act. P.O. Box 1093. Paris, 1X 75463

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to meet

Everyone is invited to attend the regular monthly meeting of the Red River Genealogical Society meeting on Monday evening at 7:30 p.m. in the Red River County Library.

The speaker will be Dr. William Hayden of Paris whose subject will be "The Civil War in East Texas". All persons interested in researching their family history are enoucard to come and enjoy the program.

TEXAS BUSINESSES HAVE APRIL 17 DEADLINE FOR FILING PROPERTY TAX RENDITIONS

(Austin)-Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander today reminded Texas businesses to render their property with county appraisal districts by April 17. To render is to list the taxable property that businesses owned or managed as of Jan. 1, 2000. Rendering allows property owners to record their opinions of their property's value. This ensures that the appraisal district sends them a notice before placing a higher value on their

property. "Property owners who render are in a better position to exercise their rights as taxpayers," Comptroller Rylander noted. "They ensure that the appraisal district has their correct address so they will receive notices of any actions that affect their property or tax bills."

Even if the tax collector cannot deliver a tax bill because of an incorrect ress, the property owner is still responsible for paying the taxes, plus payment penalties.

Businesses annually report their inventories, furniture and fixtures, machinery and equipment and other tangible assets. Appraisal districts use the reports to set business property values. When a business owner doesn't render the business property, the chief appraiser estimates the value. While state law requires business owners and operators to render, any property owner, including homeowners, farmers and operators to ren-may render their property with county appraisal districts. Since the regular deadline of April 15 is on a Saturday this year, prop-erty owners have until Monday, April 17 to render.

State law requires anyone who owns or manages income-producing personal property on January 1 to render with the local appraisal district. An exception is a business that receives the freeport exemption for managing cotton stored in a warehouse. Renditions must be notarized if they are filed by persons other than the property owner, the owner's employee or the owner's representative.

Rylander also announced that property owners whose property was damaged by a storm, flood or fire last year may file a special decreased value report that could lower their final tax bills. Property owners have until April 17 to file the decreased value report, which indicates their property's condition on Jan. 1, 2000.

erty owners may ask the chief appraiser to extend the filing deado May 1 if the owners can demonstrate good cause. The chief appraiser must grant owners of property regulated by the Public Utility Commission or the Texas Railroad Commission a filing extension to May 1, and may extend the deadline another 15 days if the owners request it in writing and show good cause.

If more than one appraisal district appraises a property, the property owner should render in each appraisal district office. One appraisal district may appraise a property for county purposes, while a neighboring appraisal district may appraise the same property for school taxes, if the school district is in both counties.

Taxpayers may contact their county appraisal district office for rendi-tion forms, or they may e-mail the Comptroller's property tax division at ptd.cpa@cpa.tx.state.us. Or call the property tax hotline at 1-800-252-9121 for general property tax information.

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ON APRIL 11 Pol. Adv. Paid by Bob Edrington, Rt. 1, Box 161, Annona, TX 75550

Protect your rights! "Render" your taxable property by April 17th.

A "rendition" is a report to the appraisal district that lists all the taxable property you owned or controlled on January 1st of this year. The rendition form is available at your local appraisal district office...or you may draft a similar form.

Who must file a rendition?

You must file a rendition if you own tangible personal property that is used to produce income--such as the inventory and equipment used by a business.

Are there any advantages to you? The advantages of filing a rendition are:

- You give your opinion of your property's value. If the appraisal district believes the value is higher, it must notify you in writing of the higher value and explain how you can protest that value to the appraisal review board.
- You record your correct mailing address so your tax bills will go to the right address. If your bill is mailed to the wrong address, the law still holds you responsible for paying your taxes on time or paying extra charges for late payments.
- You can also file a "report of decreased value" to notify the appraisal district of significant depreciation of the value of your property in 1999. The district will look at your property before assigning value in 2000.

What's the deadline?

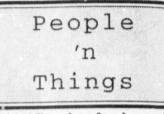
The last day for filing 2000 renditions is April 17. Call your appraisal district for the last date the rendition may be postmarked, if mailing. You can get an extra 15 days if you ask for it in writing by the April 17 deadline.

Where do you file? File renditions with your local appraisal district at: Red River Appraisal District

P.O. Box 461 1101 W. Broadway Clarksville, TX 75416 903-427-4181

For more information, stop by your appraisal district and pick up

"Texas Property Taxes: Taxpayers' Rights, Remedies and Responsibilities" or contact: Comptroller's Property Tax Division P.O. Box 13528 Austin, TX 78711-3528



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 III) 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. April 8

Make plans to attend the Chicken Spaghett Supper and Talent Show hosted by the Talco and Bogata PTO's on April 8, 2000 at Rivercrest High School. Serving will begin at 5:00 p.m. and the show will begin at 7:00 p.m.

April 11

The Rivercrest Lady Rebels and Rebels will travel to Paul Pewitt for District track and field comeptition. Everyone is encouraged to come out and support the teams. April 14

The Rebel varsity baseball team will host Prairiland with game time set for 4:00 p.m. Come out and support the team.

April 17

The Rebel junior varsity baseball team will travel to Honey Grove. Game time is set for 4:00 p.m. Come out and support the team.

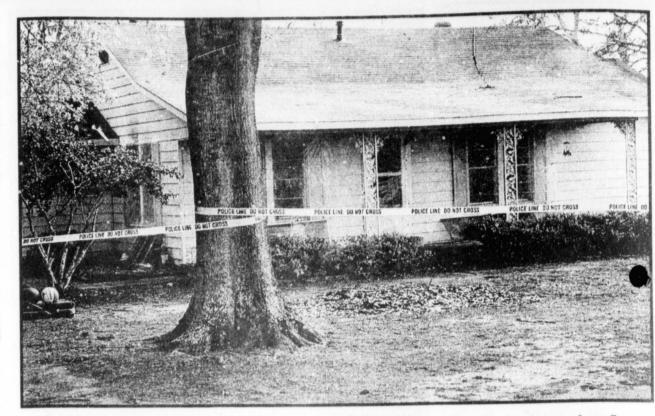
April 29

Make plans to attend Bingo Nite at the Talco School Cafeteria on April 29 from 6:00 p.m to 10:00 p.m. Prizes will be awarded to game winners and all proceeds will go to the American Cancer Society. The night is being sponsored by the Talco Sugar Bakers, "Cooking for a Cure".

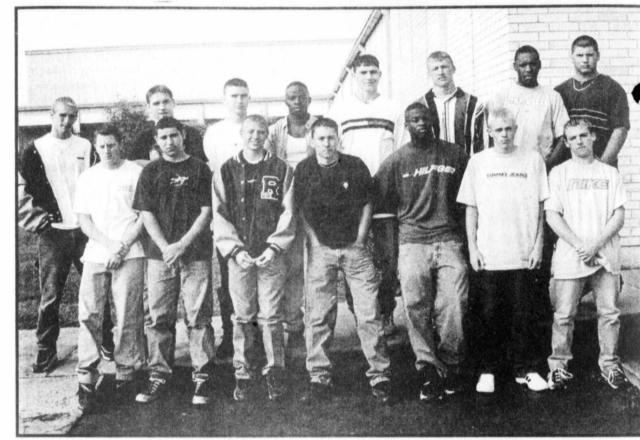
April 29

Make plans to attend the Talco School Homecoming beginning with visiting at 9:00 a.m. 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. *******************



GUTTED-the house, belonging to Kelley and Deana Boyd of Bogata suffered heavy damage from fire Friday night. Bogata Volunteer Fire Department was on hand to fight the blaze. (Staff Photo by Nancy Brown)



RIVERCREST REBEL-track and field team members recently competed in the Avon Rice Relays in Emory, Tx. The Rebels took a first place over all win with 85 team points. Team members are; (back row from the left) Brendin Jones, Dustin Jones, Heath Hinton, Myron Ellis, Chase Collins, Cody Wolfe, Keith Hines and Zack Ward; (front from the left) Hollis Grimes, Brandon Davis, Chance Wolfe, Ryan Hawkins, Michael Galloway, Brandon Buchanan and C. A. Middleton. Not pictured is Scotty Goodwin. Congratualtions boys!!! (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

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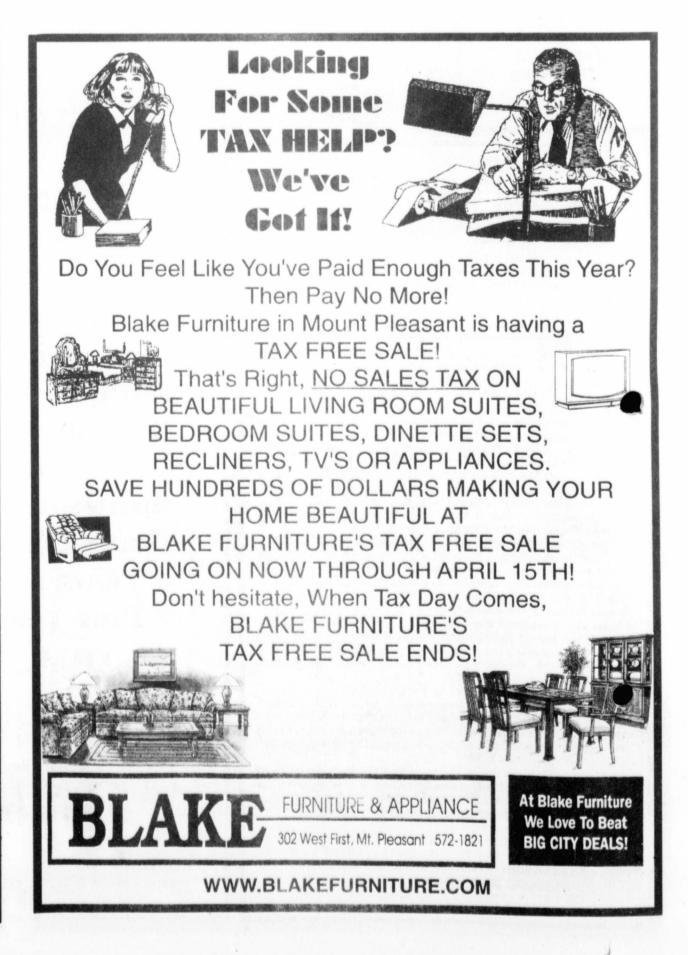
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- Hundreds of dollars in prizes to be given away

Lady Rebels !



Bogata students win first place in UIL competition

High recently competed in UIL categories. The Elementary students took a clean 1st place and the Junior High students took 2nd place. Over all Bogata School won the competitions. Students competing, their class and category were;

Second grade-Storytelling-Joey Dauzart, Dakota Earley and Kaley Stringfellow. Creative Writing-Clay Rose, Garrett Sheffield, Kaitlan Perkins and Ty Crump.

Third grade-Music Memory-Jimmy Schmidt, Jarod Davidson, Brandon Fields and Glenn Cruise.

dy Writing-Tara Cunningham, thew Haynes, Tara Raulston and Corey Branch. Storytelling-Tara Raulston, Jarod Davidson, Cheyenne Williams and Matt Thompson. Spelling-Cheyenne Williams, Tara Cunningham, Kayla Whitney and Kaimbri White.

Fourth grade-Art-Jessica Thompson, Kristen Clark, Jordan Stafford and Coty Townes. Music Memory-Amber Sullivan, Franny Galyean, Tiffany Lehman and Ethan Tucker. Number Sense-Tiffany Lehman, Jessica Thompson, Katelyn Van Deaver and Coty Townes. Oral Reading-Courtney Lemme, Taylor Anderson, Matthew Shew and Aaron Lum. Spelling-Aaron Lum, Katelyn Van Deaver, Lauren Mauldin and

ette Gayton. Ready Writingaylee McIntire, Courtney Lemme, Taylor Anderson and Aaron Rolen.

Fifth grade-Art-Kelsey Taylor, Vallery Schmidt, Cortney Merchant, Krystal Smith and Kirby Needham. Dictionary Skills-Lee Jordan, Brian Hays, Danielle Fulbright and Katherine Brink. Listening-Erica Tucker, Chris Watts, Kelly Shade and Matt Ward. Maps, Graphs and Charts-Vallery Schmidt, Jesse Harville and Chris Watts. Music Memory-Callen Morgan, Vikki Schmidt, Krystal Smith and Erica Tucker. Number Sense-Lee Jordan, Lauren Beers, Chris Stout and Brian Hays. Oral Reading-Micah Haynes, Lauren Beers and Ashley Shew. Spelling-Cortney Merchant, Chris Stout and Kelly Shade. Ready Writing-Micah Haynes, Ashley Shew and Kelsey Taylor

Sixth grade-Calculator Applications-Aaron Palmer, Mandy Crawford and Adam Horn. Dictionary Skills-Sarah Hare and Callie Stafford.

Bogata Elementary and Junior Listening-Bailie Spencer, Keith Williams and Erika Moreno. Maps, Graphs and Charts-Dustin Perry, Keith Williams and Jason Davis. Music Memory-Callie Stafford, Dustin Perry and James Carpenter. Number Sense-Holli Bush, Aaron Palmerand Latrel Smith. Oral Reading-Bailie Spencer, Sarah Hare and Mandy Crawford. Spelling-Dana Speir, Holli Bush and Latrel Smith. Ready Writing-Adam Horn, Dana Speir and Jason Davis.

Seventh grade-Calculator Applications-Dawn Wilson, Kacey Van Deaver and Nikki O'Donnell. Dictionary Skills-Chris Cannon and Stacy Borders. Impromptu Speaking-Kerri Simmons, David Rosson and MattRoss. Listening-Payden Franks, Holly Jean, Matthew Ross and Jake Raulston. Maps, Graphs and Charts-R.C. Pitts, David Rosson, Jake Raulston and Chris Cannon. Modern Oratory-Koren Hawkins, Kacy Van Deaver and Lindsey Robertson.Number Sense-Lindsey Robertson. Oral Reading-Jill Shirley, Casey Hammonds and Payden Franks. Ready Writing-Cynthia Bassett, Saleena Whitaker and Heather Hawkins. Science-Kerri Simmons, R.C. Pitts, Holly Jean and Dawn Wilson. Spelling-Wendy Stewart and Cynthia Bassett.

Eighth grade-Calculator Applications-B.A. Middleton, Koren Hawkins and John Shade. Dictionary Skills-Micah Chaloner, Justin Tucker and Cody Clark. Impromptu Speaking-Alex Davidson, John Shade, Keith Perry and Lonny Sheffield. Listening-Chance Belcher, Cody Cheatwood, Jeremy Ward and Jeff Abernathy. Maps, Graphs and Charts-Micah Chaloner, Kristin Simmons, Danielle Varner and Justin Tucker. Math-Jeffery Abernathy, Chance Belcher and Cody Cheatwood. Modern Oratory-Paige Boyd, Brooke Ward, Nikki Burgess and Jill Shirley. Oral Reading-Paige Boyd, Keith Perry and Mindy Riffle. Ready Writing-Mindy Riffle, B.A. Middleton, Nikki Burgess and Lonny Sheffield. Science-Alex Davidson, Danielle Varner and Kristin Simmons. Spelling-Saleena Whitaker. Placing for the school were;

Third grade-1st place, Music Memory team of Jimmy Schmidt, Jarod Divdson, Brandon Fields and Glenn Cruise who all had perfect papers.

Fourth grade-3rd place, Number Sense team of Tiffany Lehman, Jessica Thompson, Katelyn Van Deaver and Coty Townes. 3rd place, Music Memory team of Amber Sullivan, Franny Galyean, Tiffany Lehman and Ethan Tucker. Amber and Tiffany had perfect papers.

Fifth grade-2nd place, Number Sense team of Lee Jordan, Lauren Beers, Chris Stout and Brian Hays. 2nd place Music Memory team of Callen Morgan, Vikki Schmidt, Krystal Smith and Erica Tucker.

Sixth grade-Caluclator Applications, 1st place team of Aaron Palmer, Mandy Crawford and Adam Horn. The students placed as individuals, Aaron-1st, Mandy-2nd and Adam-3rd. 3rd place, Music Memory team of Callie Stafford, Dustin Perry and James Carpenter. 1st place Number Sense team of Holli Bush, Aaron Palmer and Latrel Smith. The students placed as individuals Aaron-1st and Holli-2nd. 3rd place, Oral Reading-Mandy Crawford. 3rd place, Spelling Holli Bush and 4th place Spelling, Dana Speir. 2nd place, Reading Writing-Adam Horn.

Seventh grade-1stplaceteam Calculator Applications of Dawn Wilson, Kacey Van Deaver and Nikki O'Donnell. The students placed as individuals Kacey-1st, Nikki-2nd and Dawn-5th. 2nd place, Impromptu Speaking-Matt Ross. 2nd place, Listening-Payden Franks and 6th place Listening-Matt Ross. 1st place, Modern Oratory-Kacy Van Deaver; 2nd place-Lindsey Robertson and 4th place Koren Hawkins. 1st place Oral Reading-Casey Hammonds and 5th place Jill Shirley. 4th place Spelling-Wendy Stewart.

Eighth grade-1st place Calculator Applications team of B.A. Middleton, Koren Hawkins and John Shade. The students placed as individuals; John-1st, Koren-2nd and B.A.-4th. Impromptu Speaking-2nd place, Alex Davidson and 5th place Keith Perry. Maps, Graphs and Charts-2nd place team of Micah Chaloner, Kristin Simmons, Danielle Varner and Justin Tucker. Individual 3rd place, Kristin Simmons. Modern Oratory- 3rd place, Jill Shirley. Oral Reading-5th place, Paige Boyd. Spelling-1st place, Saleena Whitaker.



MATH-A-THON SUCCESS-Bogata students in grades 6 through 1 recently participated in the St. Jude's Math-A-Thon. Each student got sponsors who paid different amounts of money for each correct math problem the student did. The group raised \$1,725.08 to help children with all types of medical problems. They are pictured with their sponsor, Bogata 5th grade teacher, Ginger Jordan. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

SpringFest 2000 in Clarksville

The Spring Fest - Around the Square will be held on April 15, 2000 in Clarksville.

Entertainment will be the Clarksville High School Jazz Band from 9:00 a.m. The Pam King Company of Singers from 10:30-11:30 a.m. featuring Tyrell Duckett, Kristi Patterson, Sarah Stewart and others. Gospel singer Carolyn Freeman will perform at 12:30 p.m.-1:30 p.m. with much, much, more.

For more information contact 903-427-2645.



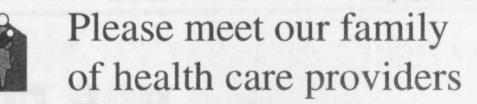


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T PLACE-Bogata Elementary students recently competed in UII events and came home with an over all win. Congratulations students!!!!!! (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



2ND PLACE WINNERS-Bogata Junior High students recently competed in UIL events and took an over all 2nd place win. Pictured are students in grades 6 through 8 who competed. Congratulations students, great job !!! (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



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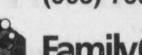
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Thursday, April 6,2000

Drug-free workplace program is April 6

"Developing a Drug-Free Workplace Program" will be presented Thursday, April 6 from 10 a.m. until 12 noon in the Alford Center at PJC. Fee for the course is \$25.00.

The seminar will discuss options available to companies who want to institute a drug free workplace program, information on writing policies, employee assistance programs, continuing education for employees, supervisor training and drug testing will be provided.



Doug Hawkins was honored with a birthday breakfast at the home of his mother, Lucille Childers March 31, 2000. Also attending were Mark and Hana Hawkins.

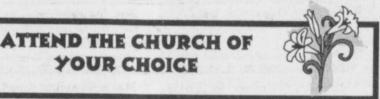
Recent visitors with Lucille Childers were Melanie Combest of Longview, Amber Ramsey and Toni Combest of Pittsburg, Dixie Stringfellow and LaWanza Barnard.

Preston and Toni Combest of Pittsburg visited Saturday with Lucille Childers and brought a delecious supper with them. Preston made several repairs around Mrs. Childers home for her while they were there.

Betty Joy Puckett of Denton and Edna Earl Dodd visited with Lucille Childers on Thursday morning.



LIL REBS-Members of the 2000 Lil Rebs Rivercrest Youth basketball team were; (top row from the left) Holli Bush, Coaches Jean Upchurch and Connie Giles and Vikki Schmidt; (middle row from the left) Micah Upchurch and Tiffany Giles and (front from the left) Vallery Schmidt and Lillian Baird. Not pictured are team members Amanda Middleton, Erica Moreno and Kirby Needham. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)





Expanded Classifieds....

LEGAL NOTICE LEGAL NOTICE The City of Bogata, Red River County, Texas, is currently in the planning stages of creating a Drought Contingency Plan for our customers in compliance with Senate Bill One passed by the Texas Legisla-ture. Following guidelincs provided by the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, these Natural Resource Conservation Commission, these plans will include triggering conditions during a drought based on the average amount of water normally provided by the City of Bogata. For each drought trigger condition there are specific goals outlined in the Plan for water conservation and guidelines for achieving those goals. In addition. there may be penaltics, in the form of surcharges and convictions, for abuses of the plan.

The City of Bogata interested in receiving comments from the public on the proposed Drought Contingency Plan. Public comment will be received in two ways, (1) by letter addressed to the Public Works Director, City of Bogata, P.O. Box 400, Bogata, Texas 75417, which must be received on or before April 10, 2000, or (2) during a Public Meeting held prior to the regularly scheduled meet-ing of the City Council on April 10, 2000 at 6:00 p.m. at Bogata City Hall at 128 North Main. 4-6

PUBLIC NOTICE The Temporary Directors of the proposed Crime Control and Prevention Board issued a decree to have an election creating a Crime Control and Prevention District. This election will be held on May 6, 2000 from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the May 0, 2000 from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Bogata City Hall for the purpose of allowing voters to vote for or against the following proposal: The creation of the Crime Control and Prevention Dis-trict dedicated to crime reduction programs and the adoption of a proposed local sales and use tax at a rate of 1/2 of 1%. This would go toward the maintaining of our con unity policing and crime prevention programs.

PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF ELECTION The City of Biossom has ordered an election to be held on May 6, 2000 for the purpose of: (1) Electing Mayor, full two (2) year term (2) Electing two (2) council positions, full two year

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at City of Blossom, City Hall, 1240 W. Front Street, Blossom, Texas be-tween 8:00 am. and 5:00 p.m. beginning on April 19, 2000 and ending on May 2, 2000. Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed

Sylvia Lewis, Acting City Secretary City of Blosson P.O. Box 297 P.O. Box 297 Blossom, TX 75416 Applications for ballots by mail must be re-ceived no later than the close of business on April 28, 2000. Sylvia Lewis, Acting City Secretary 4-6

Public Notices ORDER OF ELECTION

An election is hereby ordered to be held on May 6, 2000 for the purpose of electing Prairiland School Board Trustees for places 4, 5 and 7. Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at Prairiland Administra-tion Building between the hours of 7/10 cm-

ion Building between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. beginning on April 29, 1000 and ending on May 2, 2000. Additional early voting will be held as follows:

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed

LC. Stout

Prairiland ISD Rt. 1, Box 200 Pattonville, TX 75468

Applications for ballots by mail must be re-ceived no later than the close of business on April 28, 2000. Issued this the 6th day of April, 2000. L.C.Stout, Presiding Officer

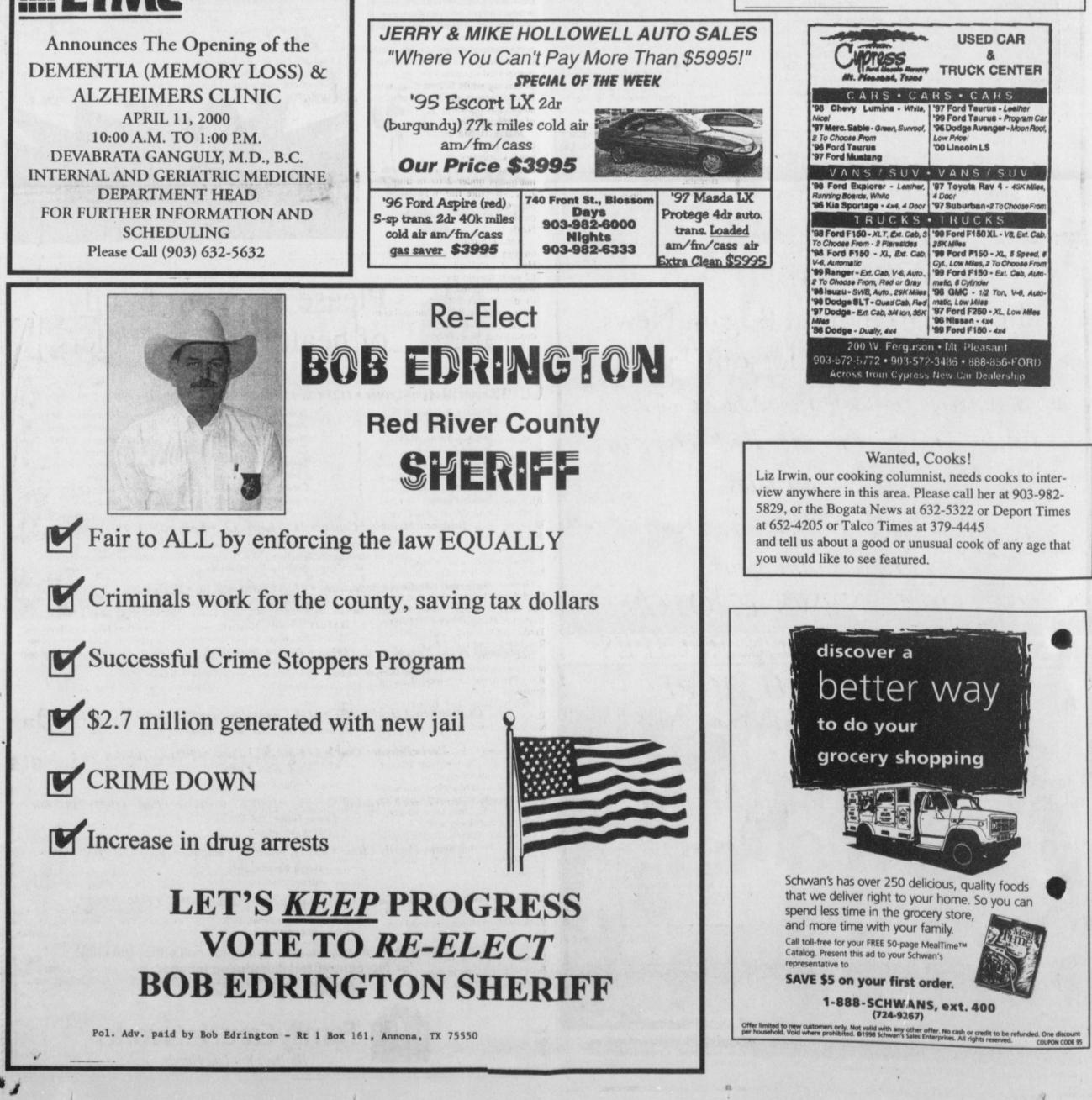
PUBLIC NOTICE ORDER OF VACATION/REMOVAL The City of Blossom, Texas hereby gives Public Notice to all owners and/or to all individuals, known or unknown, who hold or claim ownership known or unknown, who hold of cham ownership or interest in any and all equipment, vehicles, supplies or improvements located on the property owned by the City of Blossom, Texas, located between Faucett, Park, Pine and Front Streets, currently being operated as JAK Fertilizer Distrib-uting Company, to immediately vacate said prop-erty and to remove any and all equipment, vehicles, currently or improvements from same

supplies or improvements from same. Any of the above noted items remaini above referenced City of Blossom, Texas property after 12:00 a.m. midnight DST, April 30, 2000, will be considered property of the City of Blossom and the City will take immediate action for removal of same. Any costs incurred by the City for sub removal will be charged to any and all ow holding interest in same. By order of the City Council:

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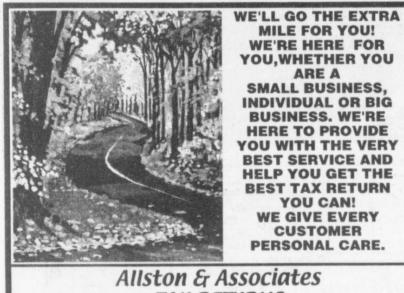
Announces The Opening of the **DEMENTIA (MEMORY LOSS) & ALZHEIMERS CLINIC APRIL 11, 2000** 10:00 A.M. TO 1:00 P.M. DEVABRATA GANGULY, M.D., B.C. INTERNAL AND GERIATRIC MEDICINE DEPARTMENT HEAD FOR FURTHER INFORMATION AND SCHEDULING







LL DISTRICT REBELS-Named to the All District Basketball team this year were Rebels, Keith lines-Offensive Player of the Year; Michael Galloway-Defensive Player of the Year; First Team All District-Chase Collins; Second Team All District-Josh Griffin and Honorable Mention-Kerry Posey and Kyle Stansell. Kieth Hines was voted Frist team All Region in Class 2A, Region 2 and Chase Collins was voted Second team All Region in Class 2A Region 2. Congratualtions boys!!! (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



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Jake's business has gone to the dogs Lone Oak Pet Camp is quite unusual

By Nanalee Nichols

Soft classical music wafts softly down the hall. In each spotlessly clean room there is a luxurious special bed, a "patio" area that looks upon serene country scenery ,and dining facilities. A non-slip special bathtub is available for those guests who want to be pampered by a warm bath and massage. All is overseen by the German management, and owner, Jake Maurischat. No, it isn't a luxury hotel, it's Lone Oak Pet Camp, located just south of Deport on FM 1503. Lone Oak caters to pets and their people who want a safe, secure place where they can leave their animals when they are away from home. There are also training and obedi-

ence classes for puppies and dogs with behavior problems.

Jake, whose real name is Joachim, is a native of Germany and is married to Barbara Holt Maurischat, a Milton native whose parents, James and Dorothy Holt are well known in the

When asked why everyone calls him Jake he grins that "Barbara renamed me for her convenience, since no one could pronounce Joachim". The good natured man has a love of animals that positively shines forth. His walls have pictures of beloved cats and dogs that have passed away after a long and healthy life.

The couple currently has seven

dogs and four cats of their own, including Jake's newest pride and joy, Rex, a German Shepherd who is only six months old. Rex's real name is Joe von der Schnuckenwein and Jake brought him back from Germany last year at 12 weeks of age.

This spring Jake will go back to Germany and bring back a female puppy in hopes of breeding puppies with an impeccable blood line. In fact, Rex is featured on Jake's internet home page "Marburger Land German Shepherd" which shows the six month old puppy in various pictures and lists his bloodline.

The kennels that Jake and Barbara run is spotless and spacious. Heated and cooled, the dogs receive attention that few kennels can boast. In fact, the smaller dogs such as poodles and Yorkies tend to end up in the house instead of staying in the kennels. Still, those kennels are mighty nice. And they are located close to the house, so that someone is always right on hand.

Jake came over from Germany in 1978. He and Barbara married in 1979 and have made their home in San Antonio until this past year, when she wanted to move back to her home area

At that time Jake was running his own computer business, which he closed down to make the move.

Because of his great love of ani-

mals, he decided to work on Lone Oak Pet Camp instead of continuing in the computer field. Barbara is a counselor at Mt. Pleasant ISD.

After having the shell built, Jake has done all the rest of the work on the building himself. Ramps enable dogs to walk up to the grooming area after a bath, and a spacious area is available for training.

"In two weeks I can turn a dog into a good citizen" Jake grins. He doesn't do it with harsh measures, either, but with patience and reward.

His own animals flock around him in a happy, tail-wagging group, obviously as devoted to "daddy" as he is to them.

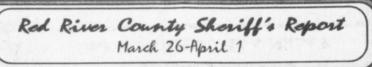
Jake attended the American Boarding Kennel Association's training course to become a Petcare Technician, and takes the responsibility of caring for other people's "Furry kids" seriously

Several elderly pets whose owners have never considered leaving them with anyone else are now being left with Jake because of the trust he inspires.

Does he miss Germany? Yes, he admits he does, but he loves Texas too. And Texas is home to the Maurischats, specifically, Lone Oak, where their pet camp is waiting with reasonable rates, excellent care and lots of loving attention.



BIG WELCOME- Rex, a Ger pherd brought over



March 26: Minor accident on 37 north; male arrested on view for public intoxication; family violence on CR1158;911 hang up on South Main in Bogata; reckless driver report on 37 north; welfare concern in Avery; structure fire in Boxelder; assault in Bogata; traffic hazard on CR4205; assault in Detroit.

March 27: Male arrested on warrant for delivery of controlled substance; female arrested on charge of contempt of court; abandoned vehicle on Hwy. 37 north.

March 28: Inmate released on two bail bonds; report of theft; road hazard on FM114; family violence in Bogata; suspicious circumstances in Bogata

March 29: Vehicle disturbance in Bogata; theft; theft in English; theft on FM2118.

March 30: Animal complaint north of Clarksville; theft of service in Annona; welfare concern in Avery; trash dumping on Hwy. 82; male arrested on possession of drug paraphernalia and fail to ID; inmate trans-

ported to county jail on charge of driving while intoxicated; inmate transported to county jail on charge of driving while license suspended, invalid; report of deadly conduct; suspicious person in Detroit; report of suspicious vehicle.

March 31: Male arrested on violation of probation, driving while license suspended warrant; two males arrested on charge of possession of marijuana under 2 oz in drug free zone; structure fire in Bogata; road hazard on Hwy. 37 south; loose horses on Hwy. 82 east; report of assault in Negley

April 1: Suspicious circumstances on Hwy. 82 west; welfare concern on Hwy. 82; welfare concern on Hwy. 82 east; female arrested on driving while intoxicated, first offense; family disturbance in Rosalie; reckless driver on Hwy. 82 east; animal complaint; inmates released on bail bonds; disturbance in Annona. Red River County Jail currently holds 44 inmates.

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Cunningham News

By Jane ONeal

Nelta and Johnny Musgrove had Sunday night supper for Lynn and Betty Holman of Durant, Alice McPherson of McAlester and Stacy, Linda, Stoney and Charity Musgrove. Alice spent Sunday night with them.

Stacy, Linda, Stoney and Charity Musgrove and Brad Hunt had Sunday lunch with Nelta and Johnny Musgrove.

Nelta Musgrove and Marie Watson had supper on Saturday at Furr's.

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

Jace Norwood won first place in his class for lambs and won Reserve at the Prairiland Livestock Show on Saturday.

Mendy, Lacy and Kelby Cole, Tracy, Brent and Rodney Norwood had Sunday lunch with James and Pat Norwood

The Gospel Chimes ministered in music at the Cunningham Baptist Church on Sunday night.

Darold and Ida Mae Norwood were in Denton on Monday to attend Shelia Norwood, who had minor surgery. She is reported doing well.

On Friday Darold and Ida Mae Norwood were in Canton. J. P. Mazy spent Sunday with Spur

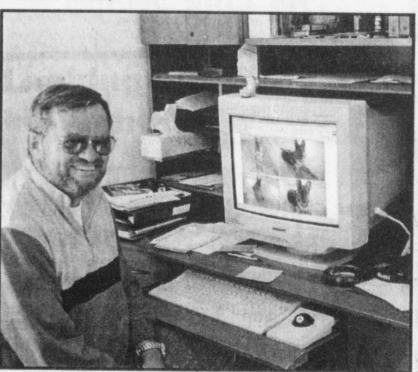
Norwood.

Shelby and Bobby Ray Kennedy had Sunday lunch for Heath, Missy, Laytner and Layker Kennedy, Jeff, Zack and Garrett Kennedy and Taylor Ladd.

Mr. And Mrs. J. E. Brown and a friend from Jacksonville visited Billie Joe and Georgia Oats on Saturday.

Jane O'Neal, Sarah Smith and Mattie Blankenship of Paris attended the opening day of the Rangers in Arlington with a group from Commerce.

Germany by Jake Maurischat, is delighted to see his master. Jake and his wife, Barbara have opened Lone Oak Pet Camp, a boarding kennel with obedience training just south of Deport. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)



DADDY'S BABY-Rex, a German Shepherd that Jake and Barbara Maurischat hope to use for breeding purposes, is featured on his own web page on the internet. Here Jake looks at the web page on his computer, which is used in their business of pet boarding. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)

Time running out to get Oak Ridge Boys Concert Tickets

tickets to the Oak Ridge Boys Concert coming up April 15 at the Love Civic Center in Paris.

Tickets are \$40 each and all seats are reserved. There are two performances, one at 6 p.m. and the other at 9 p.m. Getting tickets early assures prime seating.

One of the things about this concert that will make it special is the sound system being used.

Lighting and sound system specialists Doug Hoffman & Company have been called in to provide excellent sound and effects which should make for an outstanding evening of entertainment.

The event will be opened by Stacy Musgrove and the Stoney Creek Band, a popular and well known local group.

Tickets may be purchased by calling 784-2501 (the Lamar County Chamber of Commerce) Prairiland

Time is running out to purchase High School at 652-4059 or 652-6476 and may be purchased by Cash, check or credit card.

There will be a "Will Call" window where tickets can be picked up the night of the concert and if seats are available tickets will be on sale the day of the concert at the Love Civic Center as well as the day before, which is Friday, April 14.

Dr. Jim Love, one of the organizers, says that "The Oak Ridge Boys are always doing things to help kids, including benefits for children's hospitals, and with Duane being a native there is a lot of interest in this scholarship fund. We've had help from so many people, including Barbara Carpenter, administrator of the Love Civic Center. Things are coming together nicely

All proceeds will go to provide scholarships for Prairiland High School Students through the Prairiland Academic Trust Foundation.

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Thursday, April 6, 2000

Lady Rebel junior high compete at home

The Jr. High Lady Rebels participated in the Rebel Relays 2000 on April 1. Due to the weather conditions running events were held first.

Placing for the 8th grade team were ; 1600 meter run-1st place, Stephanie Williams. 300 meter hurdles-3rd place, Paige Boyd and the 1600 meter relay team consisting of Heather Cox, Tiffani Cooksey, Brooke Ward and Candace Davis-2nd place with a time of 5:05.79.

The 7th grade team had placing for them; 400 meter run-1st place, Lindsey Robertson with a time of 73:54, 2nd place, Nikki O'Donnell with a time of 73.94. 800 meter run-2nd place, Jill Shirley with a time of 2:58. 300 meter hurdles-2nd place, Kerri

SPECIALS AT THE

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SPECIALS FROM 5:00 p.m. til Closing

Simmons with a time of 60:98 and 100 meter dash-3rd place, Kacey Van Deaver with a time of 15:77. The 1600 meter relay team finished in 1st place with a time of 5:01:54. The team included Lindsey Robertson, Jill Shirley, Johna Ingram and Kendra Birchfield.

All of the Lady Rebels did an outstanding job in representing their school. Because of the weather the meet was called early and the athletes were not able to run the 2400 meter or participate in field events.

Coach Tammie Case said, "The Lady Rebels are ready for their District meet which will be held Tuesday, April 4 at Rivercrest"

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The City of Deport Homecoming 2000 June 2-3, 2000

Friday, June 2, 2000: Registration begins at 9:00 a.m. at the American Legion Hall. Stay for visitation and coffee and donuts. There will be a dance Friday night beginning at 8:00 p.m. at the Fire Station. Other activities will be held at the Legion Hall including a noon meal of catered barb eque on Saturday June 3rd. Serving will begin at 12 noon. For reservations for barbeque meal please send payment of \$8⁰⁰ per person to Juanita Sparks, P.O. Box 156, Deport, TX DEPORT 2000

75435 by May 15th 2000. For more information please call: 903 652-4211 or 903 652-4515

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8TH GRADE LADY REBEL-Heather Cox clears the hurdle and continues toward the finish line as she competed in the 300 meter hurdles for the team in the Rivercrest Relays 2000 held on Saturday, April 1. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Rebels win 1st place at Avon Rice Relays

The Rivercrest Rebel varsity track and field team traveled to Emory on Saturday, March 25 to compete with 20 teams. The Rebels racked up 85 points in the meet to take 1st place. Placing for the team were;

High Jump-1st place, Cody Wolfe Long Jump-1st place, Keith Hines 800 meter run-1st place, Hollis Grimes

Triple Jump-1st place, Keith Hines 800 meter run-2nd place, Scotty Goodwin

400 meter run-1st place, Hollis Grimes

1600 meter run-2nd place, Brandon Buchanan

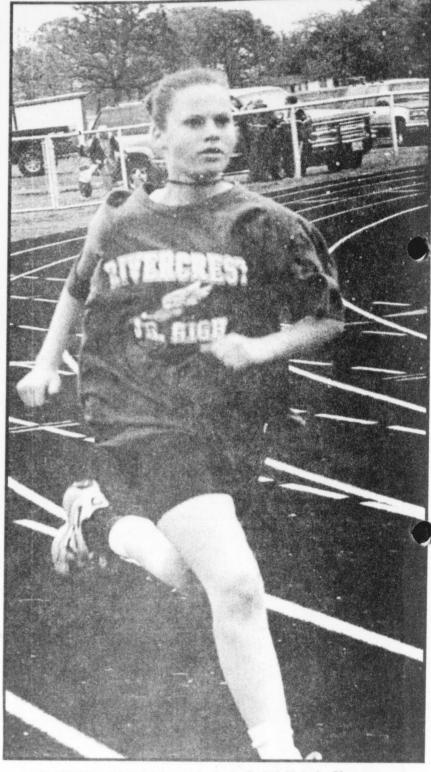
1600 meter relay-2nd place, Scotty Goodwin, Chance Wolfe, Cody Wolfe and Hollis Grimes.

Pole Vault-5th place, Scotty Goodwin and 6th place, Kris Hall

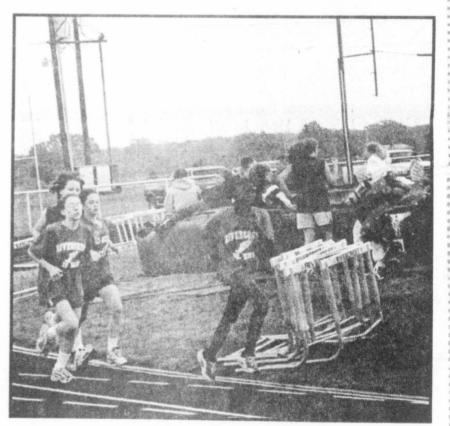
Others competing were Brandon Davis, Brendin Jones, Dustin Jones, Chase Collins, Phillip Hinton, Ryan Hawkins, Kyle Stansell, Michael Galloway, Myron Ellis and C.A. Middleton.

In the class 3A and 4A school division Cody Wolfe competed for the class 2A Rebels. He took 3rd place in the 110 hurdles and won 1st place in the 300 meter hurdles. The final standings were; Rivercrest-85, Lindale-81, Greenville-73, Mineola-65, Gilmer-56, Quitman-55, Rains-24, Van-19, Wills Point-18, Hawkins-18, Mt. Vernon-12, Grande Saline-11, Quinlan-Ford-8, Como-Pickton-5, Alba-Golden-5 and Fruitvale-2.

Coach Terry Hill is very pleased with his team and expects to do well in District competition.



CONCENTRATION-8th grade Lady Rebel Kristin Simmons appears to have her mind on her race as she rounds the corner and heads for the finish line. The Lady Rebel junior high teams competed in the Rivercrest Relays on Friday, March 31. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



Junior High

Spend An Evening With The Oak Ridge Boys And Help Send A Kid To College! Go By The Lamar Co. Chamber of Commerce or call them at 784-2501 or call 903-652-4059 or 903-652-6476 To Order Tickets By Credit Card, Cash or Check or come by **Prairiland High School Administration Tickets are \$40 each** Two Performances, April 15 at 6 & 9 p.m. At Love Civic Center, Paris, Texas Concert Will Open With Stacy Musgrove & The Stoney Creek Band of Cunningham All Proceeds Benefit the Prairiland Academic Trust Foundation's Scholarship Fund



The Oak Ridge Boys, Featuring Area Native Duane Allen

Rebels win first place

The Junior High Rebels competed in the Rebel Relays 2000 on Saturday at Rivercrest and the 8th grade team took 1st place in the meet.

Placing and scoring for the team were; 1600 meter relay-1st place, Jeremy Ward, Shon Gage, Callen Wilcox and Chance Belcher. 300 meter hurdles-1st place, Jeremy Ward and 2nd place, Shon Gage. 110 hurdles-1st place-Shon Gage and Jeremy Ward also received a medal. 800 meter run-2nd place-Keith Perry. 400 meter run-1st place Chance Belcher, 3rd place, Callen Wilcox and 6th place, Keith Perry. 1600 meter run-6th place, Josh Weatherall. Placing in the 400 meter relay were Cody Cheatwood, Keith Perry, Justin Tucker and Chance Belcher.

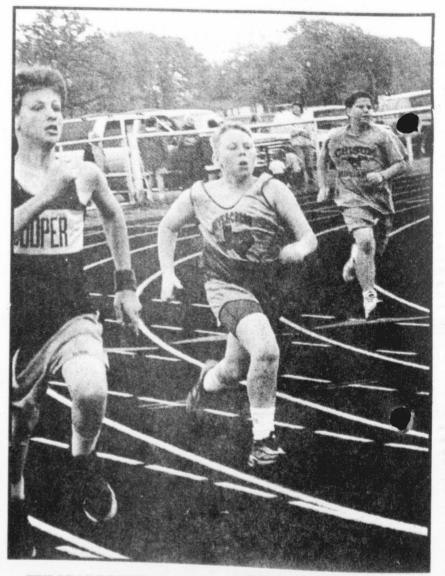
In the 7th grade division Coach Jeremy Abshier said, "This team is the few but the proud". The small number of boys keeps the Rebels from winning meets but they do well in the events that they are able to enter. Placing for the team were; 400 meter run-1st place-Jordan Edge and 3rd place-McKenzie Ellis. 110 hurdles-3rd place, R.C. Pitts, 300 meter hurdles-1st place, Matt Ross, 1600 meter relay-3rd place, Matt Ross, R.C. Pitts, Jordan Edge and McKenzie Ellis and the 400 meter relay team made up of Jordan Edge, Sonny Paredes, Matt Ross and McKenzie Ellis also placed.

The boys will compete in their District tournament on April 6 or 7 at Rivercrest.

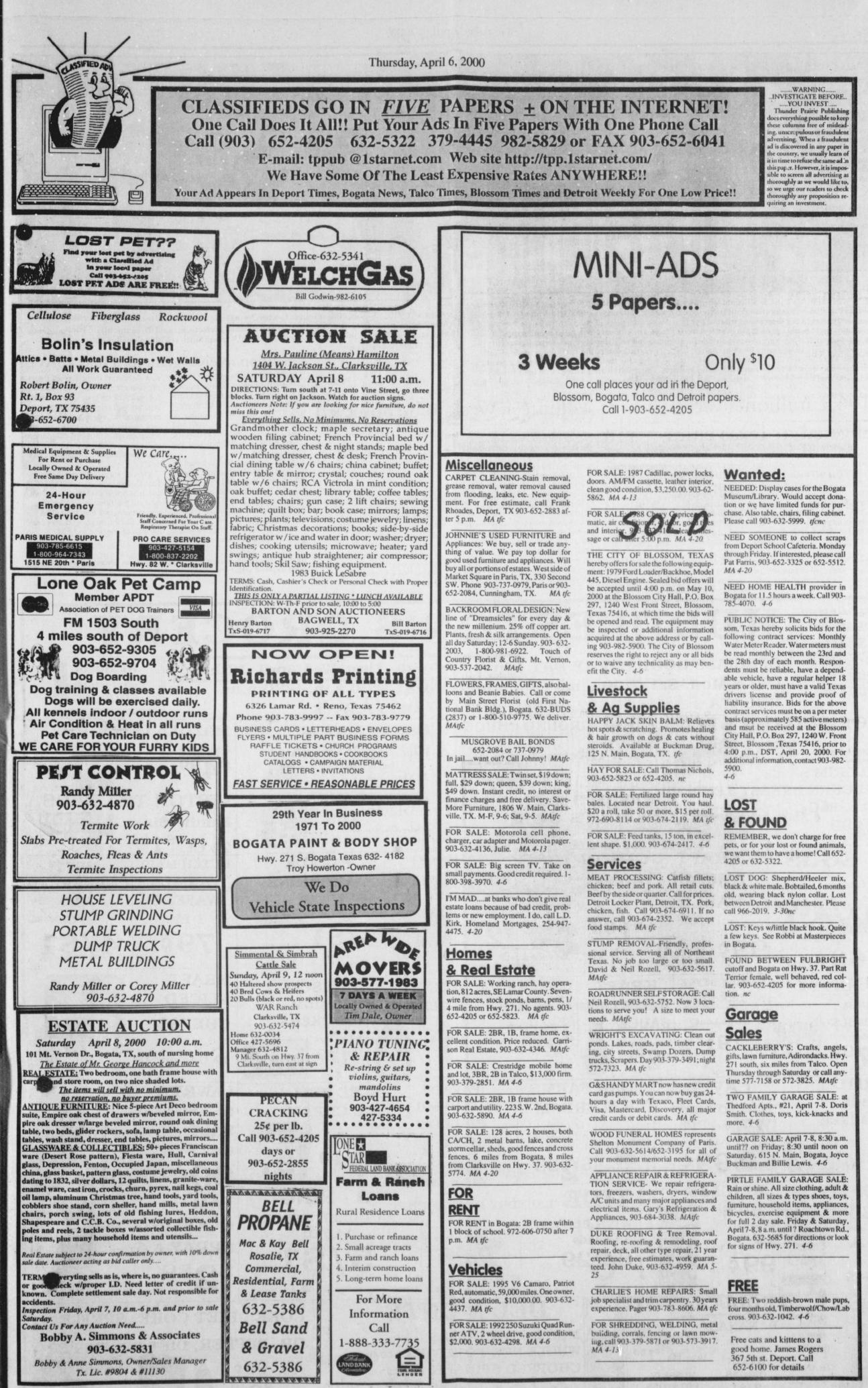
To most people nothing is more troublesome than the effort of thinking. -James Bryce

> VOTE AS YOU PLEASE, BUT PLEASE VOTE!

LONG RUN-Tracy Galloway leads two of her Lady Rebel teammates and an unidentified runner as the Lady Rebel 7th grade competed in the 800 meter run in the Rivercrest Relays held Friday, March 31. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



7TH GRADE REBEL-Payden Franks strains to over take a Cooper Bulldog as the boys compete in the 200 meter dash at the Rivercrest Rebel Relays held Friday, March 31. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



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MRS. KRISTI PURVIANCE'S-Bogata 4th grade class recently raised \$100 to donate to the Red River County Courthouse Restoration Project. The group brought \$2.00 each as the start-up money of their own candy store. They determined what to sell, how much each piece of candy cost them to buy and how much they should sell each piece for to make a profit. The students took turns running the store each day at lunch. They were also responsible for counting and verifying their profits each day. They then made 2 trips to Guaranty Bank to change their money. In 2 weeks, the 4th graders made about \$227.00. The class will take the remaining \$127 to buy things for their classroom. This was a great learning experience in how to run a successful business. The children are pictured with their teacher and displaying their \$100 bill donation. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

\$196.1 million delivered to Texas cities

Texas Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander delivered a total of \$196.1 million in monthly sales tax payments to 1,104 Texas cities and 119 counties, a 13.4% increase over the \$172.8 million allocated to cities and counties in March, 1999.

Sales tax rebates for the first three months of 2000 are up 8.4%, compared to the first three months of last year.

March sales tax rebates represent sales taxes collected in January and reported to the Comptroller in Feb-

In Lamar County, Blossom received \$4,068.15, a 73.99% increase over last year

Deport received \$1,390.87, marking a .47% decrease.

Paris received \$413,297.04 for this period marking a .91% decrease.

In Red River County, Bogata received \$3,135.34, marking a 73.34% ception.

our population volunteered accord-

ing to a biannual study done by the

increase over the same period last year Clarksville received \$30,247.88 for a 17.71% increase and Detroit received \$2,006.82 for a 54.80% in-

Volunteer Week to be observed

The Texas Agricultural Extension volunteer offers four hours per week. Service will join communities across The assigned hourly wage for volun- . the country in saluting the contributeers is currently \$13.24. This, makes tions of volunteers during National the time volunteers give each year Volunteer Week, April 9-15, 2000. worth an estimated \$201 billion. Volunteers are frequently identified The Red River County Extension as the backbone of any service-ori-Service appreciates the hard work of ented organization. The Red River all the volunteers who assist through

County Extension Service is no excommittee work in Agriculture, Family & Consumer Sciences and Com-Volunteers are a tremendous remunity Development, special events, source, especially if you look at them curriculum enrichment, the county in the terms of hours they give and the fair and the 4-H program. value of that time. In 1996, 48.8% of

(Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

If you are interested in serving as a volunteer for the l'exas Agricultural Extension Service, please call (903) 427-3867.

A \$454,000 grant has been new directions in the area of targetawarded the Lamar County Coalition of Education, Business and Industry to continue the work of Project SAVE. The grant will continue to project through August 31, 2001 and comes with an option to extend the program for an additional year beyond that date.

SPECIAL TREAT-Talco/Bogata music teacher, Neva Oats gavea special treat to the Elementary UIL

Mrs. Oats and Talco Principal Kelly Stansell enjoyed a pizza lunch at Milano's in Bogata

Music Memory participants from both schools who had perfect scores at UIL competition. The students,

A program was first initiated in February, 1998. At that time, Lamar County was ranked #15 out of 254 counties in the the State of Texas in teen pregnancy and STD rates. The latest data available from THD ranks Lamar County #79.

Plans for the new grant included many of these activities as well as

ing younger elementary age students for materials on good decision making, providing teenage boys with more specific programs and information tion, secondary virginity options addressing the problem of younger girls pressured into sexual activity by older men and other relative activities

The current project, supervised by Tech Coordinator Jennifer Bryant, is producing their own television commercials for airing on local cable access stations, and they have plans for really creative, on going shows dealing with abstinence and STD's.

Coalition receives grant for Project SAVE

If you would convince a man that he does wrong, do right. Men will believe what they see.

-Henry	David	Thoreau
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