

It Must Be Nice I know there are lots and lots of people out there in the big wide world who are just getting through their work days the easiest way possible. I know there are lots of people who don't care about the quality of their work. We've all run in to them in the service industry, and just about everywhere else, too.

I know there are many of who don't even feel like they owe their employer an honest

day's work for their pay. We've all been irritated by those people who obvious don't want to be where they are, doing what they do.

But, I do think we ran into one that really takes the cake the other day.

The phone rang, and I heard that peculiar, all-too-identifiable sound on the line that let me know I was in for a spiel from a telemarketer.

"Hello" this chirpy, pleasant little voice said. "May I speak to someone about updating our media list?"

"Ah, " I thought to myself. "Not a sales call after all".

I informed this young woman that I could help her with her media list updates.

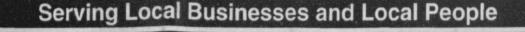
Now, I'll admit that this can be confusing. With five papers I can often save the person making the calls a lot of time by telling him/her up front which papers we publish.

This young woman, unfortunately, didn't get the picture very quickly. She just couldn't seem to grasp the idea that one call could do it all, and that we have five papers.

Finally, she did get that picture

She asked "what is your email address?".

Now, we don't just throw our e-mail address out for the world. We're happy to let our readers have it, and people



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BOGATA, RED RIVER COUNTY, TEXAS

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Pros & cons presented at Marvin Nichols Reservoir meeting

by Bob Merriman

Marvin Nichols Reservoir is the future of economic development more acreage, both sides say. For to 1839, while other settled in the in Northeast Texas, a Sulphur each acre of land flooded, a cer-River Basin Authority official told tain amount of land must be set an audience Monday night in Clarksville.

"Marvin Nichols Reservoir is the Northeast Texas economic Huddleston said in opening a powerpoint presentation at City Hall.

To other area residents, though, the lake will wipe out family farms, flood an environmentally sensitive area and ultimately cause an increase in property taxes.

Those divergent ideas, an expanding economic or destruction of a way of life, have been argued in other meetings and before state planners in Austin. But Monday night's pro-lake meeting followed a gathering of opponents the Friday before and marked the first time pro-lake and anti-lake forces placed their ideas so close together.

As reported in state water plans, the Marvin Nichols Reservoir will flood about 62,000 acres along the Sulphur River. Almost all the flooded area will be in Red River County.

"We believe the lake will flood about 10% of Red River County," lake opponent Max Shumake of DeKalb said at the Friday meeting at the American Legion Post in Clarksville. With that much land taken from the county's tax base, other landowners will see an increase in property tax rates, Shumake said. Shumake owns about 500 acres in the Red River County area of the Sulphur River. All of his land will be under wa-

Mitigation land will take even members in Bowie County back aside for wildlife use. Figures vary on the amount of matching land. Huddleston said the SRBA hopes for a one-to-one mitigation; othdriver," SRBA President Mike ers have suggested as much as an eight-to-one offset.

According to present plans, the Dallas area will receive 80% of the water pumped form Marvin said. Nichols. The remaining 20% of the water will be shared by the 19 counties that make up the Northeast Texas water planning group. Huddleston estimated total cost at \$1.7 billion, but as with almost all aspects of the lake, opponents disagree. Jim Presley with an environmental group in Texarkana said. says the cost could go as high as \$5 billion.

Huddleston on Monday made clear he has no use for organized environmentalists.

"These people make a living coming into a community and getting people upset," he said. "They are using you, the local people."

Huddleston also spoke of "so much spin" by lake opponents, calling some remarks "rumors and falsehoods."

"Let's get out on the table, the truth," he said.

Presley and others say the river a plan of spinning the truth.

'The Northeast Texas water planning organization represents special interest groups," Presley said at Friday night's meeting. "Most of the people are left out."

about economic development, ing necessary permits for con-

Cuthand area in the 1870's. Oren Caudell of Texarkana

spoke of Evergreen Cemetery in Titus County, begun by former slaves. "One of their first acts of free-

dom was to decide where to be buried," Caudell said. The cemetery and others will be flooded when the lake is completed, he

Huddleston predicted 500 to 1,000 construction jobs at the lake, with 5,0000 to 10,000 spinoff jobs. Economic impact of the lake is estimated at \$140 million to \$190 million annually, he said.

Landowners and others should face a simple fact, Huddleston

going to stop it," he said. "But we ating 77 years ago, will be recogcan control it."

It is the American scheme of things, that the few sacrifice for the many, Huddleston said.

"Well, I guess people in Northeast Texas just haven't sacrificed enough," Shumake said. "I guess people who lost their land to Lake Wright Patman didn't sacrifice enough. People who lost their land Williams Brown, Luther DeBerry to the coal mine didn't sacrifice and Leoma Roberts Barton. enough. What are the people in Dallas sacrificing?"

authority from tis inception began numbers matter, and Dallas has the numbers.

"They have the political power," he said. "They can pass any law they want to."

Planning on the lake is expected to take two years, beginning this Where the river authority talks summer, Huddleston said. Gain-



Thursday, March 21, 2002

1931 Graduate Bogata High School

Come home to Bogata April 13!!!

Bogata graduating classes of White, Carmen Estelle Wilson 1942, graduating 60 years ago, Whiteman, Dora Elizabeth "It's going to be built. We're not and classes back to 1925, gradunized at this year's Bogata Homecoming.

Can you recognize the graduates in these pictures?

The graduate in picture #1 graduated in 1931, 71 years ago. Graduates from 1931 who may attend homecoming are Bob Jackson, Celia Mathena Fortner, Mary

The graduate in picture #2 in 1932, 70 years ago. Graduates In the end, Huddleston said, from 1972 who may attend homecoming are Myrtle Ward, Nadine gether at home in Bogata. See you Chesshir Flippo, Sara Margaret April 13!! Lawosn Starks, Naomi Kathryn



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1932 Graduate Bogata High School

Wilkinson Thompson, Hoyle Lemens

Did you recognize the graduates? They are: #1, 1931 graduate Luther DeBerry; #2, 1932 graduate, Carmen Estelle Wilson Whiteman.

Doors will open at 10 a.m. for anyone who wishes to come early this year. A catered lunch will be served from noon until 2 p.m, followed by a short business meeting and a few minutes of entertianment followed by all afternoon visiting.

Everyone is anxious to be to-



sending ads or stories. But we don't need hundreds of soliciting e-mails tying us up.

So, I asked what I thought was a fairly simple question. "Who are you with?" I que-

ried. "McDire and McDire" (not the real name) she replied promptly.

Then, I asked my second simple (I thought) question. "What does your company do?"

There was a long pause on the other end of the line.

"Uh, what do you mean" she asked me.

"What does your company do? " I repeated. "You know, what kind of business is McDire and McDire?"

I am hereby reporting what her answer was, exactly. Then I'm closing out to let you ponder the answer just as I did.

Well, I'm kind of new here and I don't KNOW what kind of business the company is" she chirped.

End of column, you think about it. Kind of scary, isn't it!

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Bogata Office will be closed Monday

closed Monday, March 25. Locals 652-6041. The office will reopen better. Tuesday, March 26.

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ter when the lake is completed, he said.

Huddleston says other land in Red River County will increase in value once the benefits of the reservoir are realized.

homesteads wiped out and old cemeteries soon to lie under wa-

ter Shumake said he traced family

many opponents talk of land in a struction is estimated at 13 years, family for more than 150 years, with actual construction to take five years.

The State Legislature will vote on the overall water plan next year.



MEMORIAL PLAQUES-The Rivercrest Elementary PTO presented the school with memorial plaques this past week to be hung and displayed in memory of many local residents. Displaying the new plaques are First grade teachers, (from the left) Patsy Moles, Donna Miller and Debbie Hudson. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Concert is just a week away!

The Bogata News office will be Community Choir was held last first two concerts and a few new Thursday. If the practice is any in- songs. The choir is ready to show to and advertising may be called in dication of how the concert will off their talents to the community. to Deport, 652-4205 or FAX to be, let's just say they can't get any

last sung together.

efit the Bogata Lions Club. It will at the door.

Join in for an evening of great songs and music. The concert will It's hard to believe that it has be held at Rivercrest Auditorium been a year since this group has at 7 p.m on March 30. Admission is free but donations of used eye-The March 30 concert is to ben- glasses and cash will be accepted

Position # 3 held by Eddy

crest High School.

The first practice of the Bogata feature the previous songs of their Public invited services

The public is invited to special worship services during the Holy Week, sponsored by the United Methodist Church of Bogata, Rosalie and Cuthand. Holy Week services allow us to celebrate the full meaning of Easter, remembering the events between Palm

March 28 will be held a 6:00 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, Bogata and at 7:30 p.m. at Cuthand United Methodist Church. The service will recount the events of the last evening Christ and his Disciples spent together.

Good Friday service, recalling the trial and crucifixion of Christ, will be held at 12:00 noon March 29 at Rosalie United Methodist Church.

JOE ROSE-President of Guaranty Bank Bogata recently recognized Dorie Roach for three years of service to Guaranty Bank. Roach joined the Guaranty Bank in August 1998, as a teller. She is a graduate of Rivercrest High School and has attended Northeast Texas Community College to further her banking education. In addition, she has received a Word Processing Certificate from Paris Junior College. Dorie and her husband, Ike, reside in Bogata.

Clean-up day is April 4-5-6

items picked up.

The City of Bogata will hold a waste, no paint, no oil, no tires, clean-up day on April 4, 5 and 6. no batteries, no refrigerators or air Please call City hall at 632-5315 conditioners or anything containby 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 5 ing freon unless freon has been reto get your name on the list to have moved and appliance is tagged by licensed technicians, and no

Remember, no hazardous leaves or yard waste.



RICK BAIRD AND LARRY COLLINS entertained the Rivercrest Elementary students Monday with a history lesson on the Civil War Era. The men came with various artifacts including a real cannon. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Rivercrest ISD changes voting location

The Bogata polling place for voting will be held at Rivercrest High School. the Rivercrest ISD School Board Electtion has been changed. The Brown and Position # 6 held by new voting site will be the Bogata Mark Hare are up for election. Community Center, located in the 300 block of N.E. Bogata, for the Interested candidates have until March 20, 2002 at 5:00 p.m. to May 4, 2002 School Board Elecfile for candidacy at Rivercrest tion ISD Business Office, at River-

The Talco polling place will be at the Talco School and absentee

Sunday and Easter Sunday. Holy Thursday services for

Thursday, March 21, 2002



Our cook this week comes to us from Johntown. She is Robbie Jean Cooper McLaughlin. If you notice the picture that goes with the article might not be recent well, you are right! It came from the 1947 Trojan Yearbook from Talco. Robbie was as 1947 graduate and this particular class will be honored at this year's Talco Homecoming on April 27th. So this is a perfect opportunity to invite everyone out for this year's event and thank Robbie for the use of her photo.

Now, down to business, Robbie enjoys cooking, canning and freezing her own vegetables and gardening. She has three sons, Ron who lives in Cooper, Randy, who lives in Gilmer and Keith, who lives in Clarksville. She was married to the late Morris Cooper. They lived in Dallas for 17 years before coming to the Bogata area. She is a member of the Clarksville Church of Christ.

Thank you Robbie, once again,

for sharing your recipes with us and we will see you in the kitchen!!!!!!!!!!

CHICKEN TAMALE CASSE-ROLE-this recipe uses frozen tamales as the base layer and the other ingredients are added on top and baked and also freezes well!

Chicken Tamale Casserole l dozen frozen tamales l fryer-stew and de-bone 1-1/2 cups chicken broth reserved from chicken 1/4 small onion-chopped l can green chilis-chopped l can cream of mushroom soup

2 cups velveeta cheese In deep oblong pan put tamales on bottom; layer chicken over these and then layer onion. Grate the velveeta or slice it and layer on top. In saucepan heat the broth, soup and green chilis to boiling. Pour over tamale, chicken and cheese, mixture. Cover with foil and bake at 325 degrees for 1 hour and 15 min-

utes. **Refrigerator** Rolls 1/2 cup sugar l teaspoon salt 2 cups water 2 tablespoons Crisco

REFRIGERATOR ROLLS great roll recipe!

PASTRY FOR DOUBLE-CRUST PIE-can never have too many pie crust recipes! If one won't work, maybe another will! PASTRY FOR FRIED PIES-

takes a little time to make these, but is well worth it! PECAN PIE-she adds the hint that if you pie is baking too

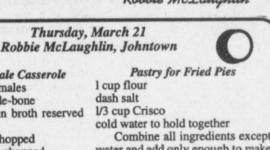
quickly or browning too quickly, you can make a tent over it with aluminum foil!

CINNAMON RED HOT APPLES-great snack for the cool evenings!

BUTTERMILK POUND CAKE-this moist, delicious cake is great anytime!



Robbie McLaughlin



water and add only enough to make crust stick together. Divide into small balls and roll out and fill wth favorite filling. Ths will make 5-6 ate for m

crusts for pies.	
Pecan Pie	
l cup sugar	
1 stick oleo	
3 eggs	
3/4 cups Karo-white	
l teaspooon vanilla	
l cup chopped pecans	
Combine all ingredients and bake	5
in crust at 350 degrees for 50-55	
minutes. If it browns too quickly	,
make a tent of foil to place over top	
Cinnamon Red Hot Apples	
4 large McIntosh apples	

Mrs. Lofton Brown

dies March 6 Mrs. Lofton "Dixie" Brown, 92, of Woodland, died Wednesdasy, March 6, 2002 in Christus St.

loseph's Hospital South. Services were held Friday, March 8 in the chapel of Fry-Gibbs Funeral Home with the Rev. Lee Everett and the Rev. Richard Gilmer officiating. Dr. Florence White was the eulogist.

Burial was in Woodland Cemetery.

Mrs. Brown was born August 10, 1909 in Blossom to Dan Starnes and Dixie Hancock Starnes, pioneer educators. She grew up in Walnut Ridge, Texas. Dixie was a homemaker and continued the operation of the L.B. Brown Ranch and Alfalfa Meadows until her death. She was a devoted member of the Woodland United Methodist Church, a charter member of the Faulkner Home Demonstration and held every office, including the presidence. She represented the Faulkner Club as their delegate representative to the W.H.D. Council meetings. She enjoyed the hobbies of quilting, gardening and flower gardening. She enjoyed the study and research of nutrition.

She married Lofton Brown on December 23, 1934 in Hugo, OK. He preceded her in death in 1992. Surviving are two sons, Harlin Brown and wife Janice and Dr. Ralph L. Brown, all of Woodland; grandchildren, Beth Brown Gilmer, Brandon Brown, Mahona Brown Streety and Genia Landers; one great-grandchild, Nancy Gilmer; a sister-in-law, Mrs. Madell Fogleman; and a daughter-in-law, Betty Brown Landers; nieces, Joan Carlisle of Dallas, (The Thursday Quilters), where Ann Ford, Delma Vaughan, Myra Sheppard and Tommie Fodge, all of Paris, Edna Maddox of Blossom and Kathryn Parker of Sherman; nephews, Donnie Clay She was asked by a press reporter, LaRue and Gary Nowel of Paris "How many quilts do you expect and many friends as well as de- to make?" She relied, "I guess voted caregivers in the family for when I can cover a football field," the past four year sincluding and that is probably what she ac-Glenda Graves Coble, Dawn complished. Even when she be-Hargan and Bertha Hargan.

Serving as berarers were Roy with the help of her husband and a Chadwick, Mike Johnson, Charles step-niece, Diann Grayson, whom England, Benton Moss, Jimmy she called her Bonus Niece. There Fodge, Clarnce Graves and Jerry became a very loving relationship and Maurice Goolsby. between them. She would stay at

Those wishing to make a me- her side as much as possible to morial contribution may direct comfort her. She has a way of them to the Woodland United making the bad times, better times. Methodist Church, % Edna Dorothy was an expert. A flawless Maddox, Rt. 1, Box 147-A, Blos- expert. She was admired. She was som, TX 75416 or the Woodland lovedd by all who knew her. Cemetery Association, % Jamie On Friday, March 15, Dorothy Carter, Rt. 2, Box 314, Detroit, was laid to rest at Resthaven Memorial Park in Lubbock. TX 75436.



Dorothy Hancock-Perry Dorothy Hancock-Perry dies March 12

On March 12, 2002, our friend and sister followed the light to be with Jesus, her parents and brothers who have passed before. Born August 1, 1919 in Rugby, the daughter of Jeff and Hattie Griffin Hancock. Dorothy graduated from Bogata High School, later to marry Gerald Perry on January 4, 1942. They spent many years of military life, settling in Lubbock. Surviving are her husband of Lubbock; a daughter, Rose Moon of Sedona, AZ; and a son, Robert Perry of Fredricksburg; three grandchil-dren; three sisters, Mildred Bybee and Helon Latimer of Ft. Worth; Murl Jean Hawks and a sister-inlaw, Billie Hancock of Bogata.

As a very young girl, Dorothy's great talent began with making doll clothes and sewing dresses for her sisters. She could make a doll look like a princess. As the years passed, making quilts became her hobby. When she was making one quilt, she was dreaming of another. She became a member of the Lubbock Quilting Gill she quickly made some of her best friends. She was a superb and talented artist and craftsperson, a gifted and accomplished quilter. came ill, she continued to quilt



Obituaries

Joe Lee Landers dies March 2

Joe Lee Landers, age 61 of Denton died Saturday, March 2, 2002 in Denton.

He was born May 2, 1940 in Deport to Clifton Landers and Willie Mae Dowdy.

He was a member of the Mt. Calvary Baptist Church in Denton, secretary of the M.W. St. Joseph Brand Lodge Masons #1492 and a member of the Friendly Five Gospel Singers.

Services were held at 11 a.m. Saturday, March 9 at Mount Calvary Baptist Church with Rev. L.E. Lawson officiating. Burial was in Oakwood Cemetery in Denton.

Surviving are his wife, Ethel Janelle Fitch Landers of Denton; one son, Frederick B. Mitchell of Denton: one daughter, Adrean E. Johnson of Denton; three brothers, Tommy Dowdy of Denton, Roy Landers of San Diego, CA and Billy Dowdy Sr. of Ft. Worth; three sisters, Susie Fleming of Denton, Robbie Dowdy of Dallas and Bobbie Battle of San Diego, Ca; five grandchiden, Jacqueline Johnson, Draylon Johnson, Tia Johnson, Akkeena Johnson and Fredrick Bronshell Mitchell, Jr.; and one great-grandchild, Shamarion Deon Johnson. His parents preceded him in death.

Pallbearers were Luther Parker, Gerald Malone, Clyde Jones, Pete Clayton, Leonard Logan, Jr., Charles Maston, Spencer Wash-ington, Freddy Garrett, Jimmy Breedlove, Tommy J. Simmons. Honorary bearers were Friendly Five Gospel Singers, M.W.S. Joseph Grand Lodge Mason #1492, Links Club, Billy Bradsfield, James Beechum, Kenneth Beechum, Michael Beechum, Archie Hicks, Archie D. Hicks, Patrick Hicks, Kevin Dowdy and William Dowdy.

Mrs. Oakley L. Ebbs dies March 15

Mrs. Oakley L. Ebbs, age 84 of Forest Chapel, died Friday, March 15, 2002 in the Christus-St. Joseph's Hospital-South campus. Funeral services were held Monday, March 18 in the Chicota Methodist Church at 2:00 p.m. Burial was in Forest Chapel Cemetery, Chicota, under the direction of Wood Funeral Home.

She was born November 4, 1917 in Hugo, OK, the daughter of Johnny and Liddie Norried. In 1936 she married Archel Golightly; he died in 1965. She then married Roger Ebbs in 1995 and he preceded her in death in 1997. She was also preceded in death by a daughter, May Pate; an infant daughter; two brothers; three grandsons; and one granddaughter.

Surviving are her children: Junior Golightly and Carolyn of Forest Chapel, Larry Golightly and Nita of Bogata, Shirley Sessums and Lee of Paris, Pat Reeves of Paris, Earlene Cato and Kenneth Thompson of Paris, Shiela Golightly of Paris; two brothers, Willie Norried of Hammitt, CA and Glen Norried of Conroe: six sisters, Ora Lee Covington and Eula Covington of Hugo, Queenie Golightly of Powderly, Johnnie Mae Hamilton of Battiest, OK, Essie Cody of Swink, OK, Dessie Trapp of Campbell; 27 grandchildren; several great and great-greatgrandchildren; 37 nieces and neph-

under the direction of



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package dry yeast 1/2 cup lukewarm water 5 cups flour

In saucepan combine sugar, salt, 2 cups water and Crisco and heat just until Crisco melts. Let cool to lukewarm. Dissolve yeast in 1/2 cup water and add to cooled mixture. Gradually add the flour to mixture in medium mixing bowl. When mixed well, sit in a warm place and let it double in bulk. Put on floured board and knead. Grease tupperware bowl and cover when you place in refirgerator. Make into balls and put two into greased muffin tin for Parkerhouse Rolls. After rising for about 3 hours place in preheated 375 degree oven until golden brown. In warm weather, it won't take as long to rise and recipe makes about 2 dozen. Dough keeps about 2 weeks in refrigerator. Pastry for Double-Crust Pie

1-1/2 cup flour dash salt 1/3 cup Crisco

cold water to hold together

Combine all ingredients except water and use a small amount at a time so as not to add too much. Roll out and chill before making pecan or buttermilk pie.

margarine 9 ounce bag red hots l cups sugar-divided Quarter, core and leave peelings on apples. Add water to pan and

l cup

bring to boil. This will fill a pan 9-10" in diameter. DAdd apples and dot with margarine and put on lid. When apples cook a little, add red hots gradually until mixture is as red as you would like. When red hots are melted add 1/2 cup sugar and then another 1/2 cup gradually.

Buttermilk Pound Cake 2 cups flour l cup Crisco 4 eggs l cup buttermilk 1/4 teaspoon soda 2 cups flour l teaspoon baking powder dash salt l teaspoon vanilla l teaspoon butter-flavoring Blend together Crisco and 2 cups flour. Add eggs, one at a time and beat after each. Alternatley add re-

maining ingredients and add vanilla and flavoring last. Bake in bundt pan for 1 hour at 350 degrees.

Peace Officers to host Easter Egg Hunt at Thomas Park

The Red River Valley Peace to 12 years old are invited to come Officers Association of Texas will host an Easter Egg Hunt at Thomas Park in Bogata on Saturday. March 30, 2002 beginning at 10:00 a.m

All children of Red River

County and the surrounding area ages 1 year to 6 years and 7 years City Hall 903-632-5315.

for a fun day. There will be prize eggs and more. The Thomas Park is located on FM 909 in Bogata. Any individual or business

wishing to donate eggs, candy, money or prizes for the event are asked to call Angie at the Bogata

To Everyone Who stopped by with cards, gifts & good wishes for Shorty Ballard on his 90th Birthday

Thank you ! Shorty Ballard and Jamily

Card of Thanks

We would like to express our undying gratitude for the support and love extended to our family due to the recent loss of our beloved Larry Dean Salter. While this sudden loss has created a tremendous void in each of our lives, the many wonderful expressions of compassion extended to us by our family, our Prairiland ISD school family, our friends, and our community have touched our hearts greatly and filled us with a secure sense of hope for the future

We wish to thank the Paris Police Department, the emergency response teams, and the medical staff of Christus St. Joseph's Hospital South for their diligent efforts and assistance. To Ben Holland, Phillip and Lana Prichard, and the entire staff of Bright-Holland Funeral Home, your professional expertise and genuine care made a most difficult time easier to endure. To James Morton, Buddy Freeman and our Prairiland ISD family, your determination to meet our every need will forever remain as precious and cherished memories for which we shall always be gratenot only lifted our heavy hearts, but provided each of us with the resolve to live our lives to that higher standard which Larry established for himself.

As the days continue and we begin our lives without Larry Dean, we will be blessed forever by these wonderful gifts of love and compassion that we have received.

May joy and peace be with you always.

The Family of Larry Dean Salter

Card of Thanks

I would like to thank everyone for their calls, cards, prayers, visits and food during my recent illness. Special thanks to Bro. Rick Holeman and my church family. May God bless you, Loyce Huddleston

Jack Horton dies March 18

Jack Horton of Blossom died March 18,. 2002 in Paris.

He was born February 23, 1955 in Houston. He attended the Apostolic Pentecostal Church from an early age. He loved driving a truck and listening to the oldies.

He was preceded in death by isters, Billie Sue and Vickie Lynn. He is survived by his wife, Bar-

bara Horton of Blossom; a son, Anthony Horton of Kaufman; stepsons, Rusty Campsey of Blossom and Miles Bradford of Dillon. CO; daughters, Anna Horton and Suzanne Horton of Ft. Worth; stepdaughter, Jennifer; grandchildren, Cassidy Breanna, Dustin Singleton and Ladessha Horton; parents, A.G. and Billie Horton of Terrell; brothers, Frank Horton of Terrell, Clifford Horton of Mesquite, Roger Horton of Garland and Tim Horton of Terrell; numerous other relatives and friends.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Friday, March 22 in the Word of Life Church with Pastor Johnny Ford officiating. Interment followed in Highland Memorial Gardens under the direction of Anderful. The words of Dr. L.C. Stout son-Clayton Bros. Funeral Home.

Card of Thanks

We wish to express our appreciation to everyone for their prayers, calls, visits, food and flowers sent during the loss of our father and brother, Don Wilson. God bless you all,

The Family of Don Wilson

Card of Thanks To all of you who gave me your vote and support, I give m sincere thanks. I appreciate each of you. Sincerely, Michael Garretson

Card of Thanks

I would like to say Thank You to all of the people who have shown me support and for their contributions during this election. Thank you everyone for your kindness to me. Janice Bivins Gentry

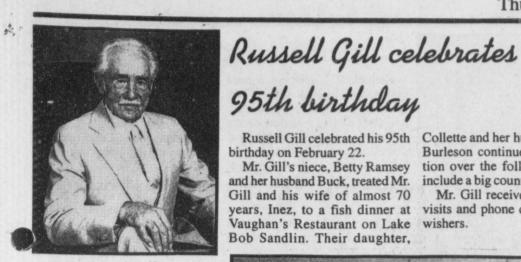




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Russell Gill

RIVERCREST ISD PHONE NUMBERS

Phone numbers for the three campuses of Rivercrest ISD are: Talco School Rivercrest Junior High-903-379-3841

Rivercrest High School-903-632-5204

Rivercrest Elementary School-903-62-5214.

Tuesdays

BAM (Bogata Area Moms) playgroup for stay at home moms and their children meets Tuesdays from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Call Kelly for more information at 903-632-4493.

Purchase Early

Sales of \$1.00 chances on a special Easter Basket to be given away at the annual Talco Park Easter Egg Hunt will begin January 14. The fund-raiser is sponsored by the Talco 4-H. Chances may be purchased form any member or at the Talco Guaranty Bank or Gotta Have It located downtown Talco.

March 21

Students at Rivercrest Elementary will enjoy a visit from the Mobile Dairy Thursday, March 21, 2002. The program will begin at 9:00 a.m.

Good Friday

March 29, Good Friday, the students of Rivercrest Elementary will enjoy Easter Egg hunts and parties at the Thomas Park in Bogata. Parents and younger siblings are invited to attend.

March 30

Plan to attend the Bogata Easter Egg Hunt to be held in Tho-mas Park sponsored by the Red **River County Valley Peace Offic**ers Association of Texas on Saturday, March 30 beginning at 10:00 a.m. for ages 1 year through

Collette and her husband Mutt of

Burleson continued the celebra-

tion over the following days to

include a big country style dinner.

Mr. Gill received many cards,

OFFICERS for the Rivercrest Education Foundation Inc. this year are: President, Virgil Jones; 1st Vice President, Joe Travis Kelsey; 2nd Vice President, Kip Stansell; Secretary, Debbie Hare and Treasurer, Gena Gage.

Rivercrest Education Foundation Inc. to begin fund-raising May 4 ity; report of rabid animal; suspi-

Rivercrest Education Founda- and can be purchased from on of tion Inc., a newly formed organi- the officers or from any of the zation whose sole purpose is to provide scholarships to Rivercrest High School graduating seniors, met recently to finalize plans for its first benefit scholarship banquet. Scheduled for Saturday, May , 2002 at 7:00 p.m. in the Rivercrest Elementary Cafeteria, the banquet will include a catered meal, entertainment and auction items

Many schools in the surrounding areas have established organizations such as this to help defray college costs for their graduates. Working hard to get Rivercrest's foundation off the ground are nu- accepted for memorials, etc. and merous trustees and the following can be made at Guaranty Bank officers: President, Vigil Jones, Bogata and Guaranty Bank Talco. 1st Vice President, Joe Travis Auction items are currently being Kelsey; 2nd Vice President, Kip sought for the banquet and can be Stansell, Secretary, Debbie Hare and Treasurer, Gena Gage.

Tickets will cost \$25.00 each

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Russell Gill celebrated his 95th

Mr. Gill's niece, Betty Ramsey

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years, Inez, to a fish dinner at visits and phone calls from well

and her husband Buck, treated Mr.

Gill and his wife of almost 70

Bob Sandlin. Their daughter,

birthday on February 22.

Rivercrest students in grades 3rd through 8th will take the annual TAAS test April 16-19. All classes 3rd through 7th will test Tuesday and Wednesday while the 8th grade class will test for all 4 days. Parents and Guardians are urged to see that their students get plenty of rest the nights before the test and eat a good breakfast prior to school on test days.

Kindergarten Registration

The Rivercrest Elementary Kindergarten Registration for 2002-2003 school year will be held May 3, 2002. More information will be made available soon on times and necessary items to bring

Floyd Hanna will be honored with a come and go 75th birthday

following trustees: Jo Anschutz, E.E. Brooks, Kay Brooks, Kathy Brown, Keith Brown, Judy Easley, Tiffany Easley, Morris Foster, Kathy Hawkins, Steven Hawkins, Buford Hervey, Gale Hervey, John Howison, Kim Kelsey, Bill Mabry, John Purviance, Kristi Purviance, John Ragsdill, Wanda Ragsdill, Joseph Rose, Kelly Stansell, A.D. Stephenson, Miriam Stephenson, Kathie Thompson, Gary Van Deaver and Mollie Williams. Tickets may also be pur-

Donations are presently being given to any officer or trustee. Your support will be greatly ap-

preciated.

March 10: Suspicious activcious activity; inmate released after paying fines.

March 11: Report of cattle out on 410 at Kanawha, owner contacted; cattle complaint on 1699; one arrested for violation of probation; stolen property recovered; criminal mischief reported on Hwy. 37N.

March 12: Report of reckless driver in Bogata; inmate released per court order; report of forgery; inmate released per court order; report of forgery; report of vehicle fire west of Detroit; report of burlary of habitation; report of chased at Rivercrest High School. juvenile disturbance in Detroit. March 13: Report of rock being thrown through a window;

report of possible forgery; male arrested on charge of assault, family violence, released on bond; male arrested for possession of marijuana.

March 14: Report of drunk driver; report of cow hit in Kanawha; two arrested for theft:

911N; one arrested for driving while intoxicated, first and endangering a child; one arrested for public intoxication; inmate released for time served; inmate released on bond; report of gas drive off in Detroit; report of suspicious vehicle; report of civil matter; one arrested for possible stolen property; inmate released on bond,

March 16: Female arrested on DWI; male arrested on charge of DWLS; report of family violence; report of disturbance on 1699; one arrested for assault, family violence; one arrested for violation of probation; report of theft of mailbox in Bagwell; report of minor accident; report of possible family disturbance on 195; responded to traffic control aty rodeo arena; report of major accident two miles south of Bogata on 37S.

March 17: Inmate released on bond; inmate releasd with time to pay fines; female arrested for forgery, financial strument; re port of boat fire in Detroit; report of minor accident on 82W of Avery; report of suspicious vehicle on FM114; report of juvenile disturbance.

12 years.

Plan to attend the Bogata Community Choir "Spring Gospel Concert" on Saturday, March 30 at Rivercrest High School auditorium. The performance will begin at 7:00 p.m. There is no admission fee, however, your donation will be appreciated.

April 16-19

Letters

powerlifting to Editor

To the elected officials and City of Bogata:

We are about to lose our commodities program. The talk the last time in the Baptis tChurch was that we had three more months and we do not have another place. The North Texas Food Bank said she had contacted the mayor and also the County Judge, perhaps not the officials in office at the moment. The ministers have been trying to help us, but nothing yet. I thought that we might get a school room David Rozell, but haven't got the school. They could go to Clarksville but everyone does not have a car.

Their program is well run. We need a place, plus we need an official to receive it. It's only one day per month. We really do need your help, a lot of senior citizens really do depend on the few things we get. They are not FDA approved since we have no refrigerator place. So we get a few staple products. We need a building but we need a dry place to stand. Our commodities are delivered sometimes on Monday night and left in the coverord porch area of the church. Sor /:times some are stolen and if y/u are late, you will not get /10 commodities. They are all go'ie. The Baptist Church has been

very good to us. If it was bad, they would let us sit or stand inside their building. I have alked about this and I have prayed about this. I thought first of apperaring before the council and I was afraid you would take it and that would be the end of our commodities. We really need your help.

Thank you, Neoma Goodman, Senior Citizen

party by his children on Sunday, March 24 at the Bogata Community Center from 2 until 4 p.m. All relatives and friends are invited to come by and help him celebrate this milestone.

Girls place in

Tina Carder and Stephanie Wilof Prairiland and Sara Blasingame 300 meter hurdles. of Detroit all qualified for the state powerlifting meet as they met for the Regional competition in White meter dash. Oak recently.

Carder and Williams of 800 meter run. Rivercrest both won their regional classes with Carder taking the 97pound class and Williams winning the 114-pound class. Carder had 600-pound total and set four regional records in bench, squat, deadlift and overall. She also received the Lightweight Lifter Award and is ranked number 1 in Class 2A. Williams finished with a 625-pound total in the 114pound class.

Blasingame of Detroit finished third in the Division II-Region III meet. She had a total of 660pounds in the 198-pound division. She is ranked number two in the state in Class A. Whittle of Prairiland came in second with a

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Lady Rebels compete at Paul Pewitt one arrested for DWI, first, and

by Coach Debbie Williams Members of the Lady Rebel Track & Field team traveled to the Paul Pewitt Meet prior to spring break. Stats were as follows: Charla Hines- 13'10" in the Long Jump; 4th place in the 400 meter dash; 2nd place in the 200 meter dash.

Kendra Birchfield-competed in the 400 meter dash and 100 meter liams of Rivercrest, Susan Whittle hurdles and made the finals in the

Danielle Easterling-competed in the 400 meter dash and 200

Erica Williams-competed in the

TEXAS AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION SERVICE NEWS

by Jan Wyatt 4-H County Extension Agent On Tuesday, March 26 at 6:30 p.m. a fashion show workshop will be held at the Paris Rodeo and Horse Club. Preparation for the fashion show scheduled for April 2 will include wardrobe selection, modeling, basic knowledge of clothing care and construction. Also with time permitting, additional work will be done on the Community Service Project.

For more information, call Jan Wyatt at the Lamar County Extensin Office at 737-2443.

Door

Prizes

urday in the cold winds and participated with heart and guts. They all did well and got better. Charla brought home a second place medal but they all earned a medal

released on bond; male arrested on court order; search warrant These young ladies went Sat- delivered; male arrested for burglary of habitation; report of suspicious vehicle on CR3350 off



Thursday, March 21, 2002

Dinner to honor Nell Rhodes

Friends and family will honor April 20 at noon. Nell D. Rhodes on her 90th birth-day with a covered dish lunch at The event is being hosted by her children, Shannon, Dale, Jackie the Bogata Community Center on

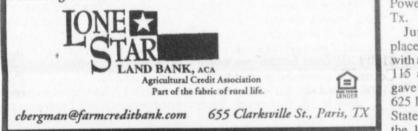
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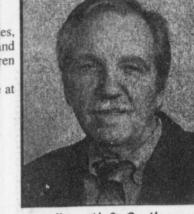
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and Joyce Rhodes, Susan Rhodes, Gail McKinney and Ronnie and Madge McDonnal, grandchildren and great-granedchildren, For information, call Jackie at 632-4268 or 537-2042.





Dr. Kenneth R. Castleman



CONGRATULATIONS to Lady Rebels, Stephanie Williams and Tina Carder who qualified for the State Meet in Power Lifting. Stephanie placed 3rd in the state at the competition held in Killeen, Tx. last week. Tina who was Regional champion broke 4 records at the regional meet but had a hard time in state competition. Both girls will have the chance to win at State again next year. The Rebels and Lady Rebels Power Lifting Teams were coached by Gary Schultz. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Women's Power Lifting Meet held March 7

By Leah Bull

Power Lifters competed in the Region III Women's Power Lifting Meet on March 7, 2002 at White Oak High School.

Junior Tina Carder placed first in the 97 lb. weight class with a squat of 225, bench press of 120 and dead lift of 255 which gave her a total combined lift of 600 lbs. and qualified her for the State Power Lifting Meet in Killeen,

Junior Stephanie Williams placed 1st in the 114 weight class with a squat of 250, bench press of 115 and dead lift of 260 which gave her a total combined lift of 625 lbs. and qualified her for the State Meet. Also, competing in Lifters on a very successful year !!! the 114 class was junior Alison

Five Rivercrest Lady Rebel Foster with a squat of 250, bench press of 110 and dead lift of 230 for a total of 560 lbs. and 4th place in regional.

Senior Brittany Bull competed in her last power lifting meet in the 123 weight class with a squat of 190, bench press of 105 and dead lift of 240 for a total of 535 lbs. and 9th place in regional.

Junior Krystal Valenzuela competed in the 132 weight class with a squat of 230, bench press of 105 and dead lift of 260 for a total of 595 and 9th place in regional.

Tina Carder and Stephanie Williams both qualified for the 2002 Texas State Power Lifting Meet. Way to go Lady Rebel Power

Castleman elected to AIMBE

Kenneth R. Castleman, former resident of Bogata and a 1960 graduate of Bogata High School, has been elected a Fellow of the American Institute for Medical and Biological Engineering. Dr. Castleman was in Washington recently for the Eleventh Annual AIMBE Event. He was inducted into the College of Fellows in a ceremony held at the National Academy of Sciences on March

AIMBE exists to establish an identity for the field of medical and biological engineering and to promote the national interest in science, engineering and education. The group provides public policy-making leadership regarding the practice of biomedical engineering and the education of biomedical engineers.

The College of Fellows elects AIMBE officers and considers educational, professional and technical aspects of medical and biological engineering. Fellows are persons who have distinguished themselves in the field by making important contributions to the theory and practice of medical and biological engineering and by demonstrating unusual accomplishment in promoting that field.

Dr. Castleman, internationally known for his work in the field of digital imaging said "I am very honored to be invited to participate in the AIMBE's activities. This group is very effective in promoting the application of engineering approaches to medical other companies.

problems, and that benefits everyone.' Dr. Castleman was nominated by Professor Kenneth R. Diller, Chairman of the Department of Biomedical Engineering of the University of Texas at Austin. Castleman is Adjunct Professor at UT and serves on that department's industrial advisory committee.

He is the son of the late James E. and Floy Castleman who lived in Bogata for many years. He mar-ried Betty Gill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Gill of Bogata in 1966. He received a PhD in Biomedical Engineering from the University of Texas at Austin in 1970. The couple now lives in Friendswood.

Dr. Castleman is the author of two books and 60 scientific articles and has taught courses at Caltech. His college textbook on digital image processing has now been translated into both Japanese and Chinese and is used in universities around the world.

Dr. Castleman was inducted into the Space Technology Hall of Fame in 1994, worked for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration from 1970 until 1985. He is now the presdient of Advanced Digital Imaging Research in Houston and has been associated with that company since it was founded in 1985. ADIR conducts government sponsored medical research as well as contract research projects for



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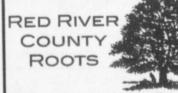
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Bertha McCall hosts 84-42 Club

Members of the 84-42 Club met Thursday afternoon in the home of Bertha McCall. Two tables were arranged for the games.

Delicious refreshments were served buffet style to the following: Maurine Mankins, Wootie Harville, Ethel Epps, Shirley Allums, Jimmie King, Maggie Lee, Helen Williams, Molee Huddleston, Willie Clark, Mary E. Kain and one guest, Leslie Kain and the hostess.

The April meeting will be with Helen Williams as hostess.



This week's query is from Ray Chapman, 2635 Rosefield Drive, Houston, TX 77080. He is beginning his research on his Chapman family. His father, Homer Charles Chapman, was born March 25, 1908, probably in Clarksville. His mother's name was Minnie Hauser or Houser. He does not know his grandparents' names. He would like to hear from anyone who has any information about this familiv

If you have a query you would like to have placed in this column please send it to the Red River County Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 516, Clarksville, Texas 75426



Sweet 16 Нарру Birthday We Love You Mama, Daddy & Dwayne

you have. You reply that you are indeed proud of the new car, since it cost you approximately \$75,000!

Then one of your friends turns to you and asks, "Who made this car?" Without so much as a moment's hesitation, you reply, "No one made the car; it just happened." Can you imagine such a scenario? Your friends would have you committed for a mental disorder were you to suggest such a thing. And rightly so. It is obvious to all sane people that the beautiful piece of engineering we call the Cadillac did not "just happen".

Yet this Universe you live in is infinitely more complex than a Cadillac limousine. And yet you are asked every day to believe that it "just happened" by accident. The Universe is composed of over 2,500,000 galaxies. There are 25 sextillion stars known to exist (and that's as far as our most powerful telescopes can see at the present time). Our own galaxy, the Milky Way, is over 100,000 light years in diameter. Light travels 5.87 x 10¹² miles in one year. In 100,000 years it would travel 5.87 x 10¹⁷ miles. Our nearest neighbor, the Andromeda Galaxy, is over 750,000 light years away. That's 4.4 x 1018 miles!

The Sun, which heats our galaxy, is poised in space at 93,000,000 miles from Earth. If it were just 10% closer, it literally would burn everything to a crisp. If it were just 10% farther away, eventually temperatures would drop so drastically that life as we know it would perish. The Moon, which is poised in space at 240,000 miles from Earth, would cause 35-50 feet tides over the Earth twice a day if it were moved just one-fifth closer.

The Earth travels around the sun at a speed of 70,000 miles per hour, or 19 miles per second. The solar system itself is traveling through space at a speed of over 600,000 miles her hour, in a path so large it takes an estimated 220 million years just to complete one orbit. If the Earth traveled at only 35,000 miles per hour, our seasons would be doubled and the intense heat would bake the Earth, while the intense winter cold would freeze it. The Earth's troposphere contains exactly 21% oxygen. If it were just a little smaller, say 10-15%, man and beast would die due to lack of breathable air.

All of these things are infinitely more complex than a Cadillac limousine, yet we are asked daily to believe that organic evolution is true, and these things just happened by chance. If we cannot believe that the limousine "just happened" by accident, by what kind of logic do we then say that our great Universe "just happened

If you would like to examine the evidences supporting God's existence, and His creation of the Universe we invite you to attend a three-day seminar on Friday, April 5, 7-9 p.m. and Saturday, April 6, 1-5 p.m. At Rivercrest High School. Sunday, April 7, 9:45 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. at Talco Church of Christ. There is no charge whatsoever. Handout materials will be made available free of charge to all present. The speaker is Dr. Bert Thompson.

Dr. Thompson holds an earned B.S. degree in biology from Abilene Christian University (1971) and earned M.S. (1972) and Ph.D. (1975) degrees in microbiology from Texas A&M University. He is a former pro-fessor in the Department of Veterinary Public Health, College of Veterinary Medicine, Texas A&M University, where he also served as the Coor-dinator oft the Cooperative Education Program in Biomedical Science.

In 1977, Dr. Thompson was nominated to receive the Outstanding Teacher award in the College of Veterinary Medicine at Texas A&M University. In 1978 he was among those placed in the prestigious listing of American Men and Women of Science. In 1979, he was honored by having his biographical information published in American Youth in Achievement, and was included in Personalities of the South. In 1981, he was listed in the International Who's Who of Intellectuals. He is a member of the American Society for Microbiology and the Institute of Food Technologists.

While teaching at Texas A&M, Dr. Thompson also served as a part time instructor in the School of World Evangelism operated by the A&M Church of Christ in College Station, Texas, where he taught in the field of Christian apologetics and Christian evidences. He also served as Professor of Bible and Science at Southern Christian University in Montgomery, Alabama (and is currently an adjunct professor there). He is a prolific writer and since 1981 has served as either co-editor or editor of Reason & Revelation a monthly journal on Christian evidences published by Apologetics Press, Inc., a non-profit, tax-exempt work that Dr. Thompson helped found, and on whose Board of Directors he sits. Currently, he

serves as the Executive Director of Apologetics Press. He has held a number of debates and has authored numerous book including: Creation Compromises; Theistic Evolution; The History of Evo-lutionary Thought; Essays in Apologetics (Volumes I-V); Non-Denomi-national Christianity; Is Unity Possible?; The Christian and Madical Ethics; The Scientific Case for Creation; the Revelation of God in Nature; Study Course in Christian Evidences; Rock Solid Faith; and others.

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SOME members of the Rivercrest 6th grade display their shields that they recently made in their Social Studies classes. The shields are name shields that also include the family coat or arms or crests.



RICK BAIRD, LARRY COLLINS AND JESSICA JESSEE presented a program to Rivercrest Elementary students Monday on the Civil War Era. Rick is shown teaching the children about musket rifles, how they were loaded and fired. The program included original dress and artifacts from the time as well as a real cannon. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

4th grade studies Civil War

grade has been husy studying the show the classes and told about Civil War. The students have read withe uses of each item and the life many books, written research pa- of an ordinary soldier. Mr. Collins pers and participated in some spe- brought the group a special treat, cial events involving the Civil War. a genuine Civil War cannon., Last week the 4th grade went dated from 1863. He went through

The Rivercrest Elementary 4th from his Civil War collection to a field trip to Paris to tour the the steps to loading and firing the

Bogata class

of 1962 to reunite The Bogata High School class of 1962 will be holding their 40th reunion on Saturday, April 13, 2002 at the home of Martha Jo (Smith) and Duane Bryson in Ro-



WELCOME-The Talco **Guaranty Bank is happy to** announce the arrival of and welcome new employee, Brandy Swinford. Brandy is the wife of Rivercrest Agriculture Teacher, Kenny Swinford. She will be serving customers at the drive-in window. The newlywed Swinfords reside in Talco. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



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Sam Bell Maxey Museum. Sam Bell Maxey was a General in the Confederate Army. The group saw many antiques from the Civil War Era.

On Monday, March 18, Ricky Baird of Cuthand and Larry Collins of Paris came to speak to the class. Mr. Baird brought several articles

cannon using several of the students as his "cannon crew".

The students have had a wonderful time learning about this exciting time in our state's history. Teachers for the 4th grade classes are; Mrs. Purviance, Mrs. Ballard and Mrs. Holeman.

salie, Tx.

The reunion will start at 9:30 a.m. and all classmates, teachers and friends are invited to come by and visit.

Rivercrest Schools Menus March 25-29

MONDAY



The 2002 Rivercrest FFA Plant Sale will begin on Saturday, April Homestead tomatoes, Better Boy 6 and will be held again on Saturday, April 13. The hours will be from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on both days, but, remember the best plants will go first.

10 inch hanging baskets will be on sale from \$ 5 to \$ 7 consisting of: petunias, lantana, Mexican heather, Jew, ice plants, airplane plants etc.

Vegetables for transplant will be on sale for \$1.50 per six pack

or \$ 8.00 per flat consisting of: tomatoes, Jubilee watermelon, banana pepper, bell pepper, jalapeno pepper, egg plant, cantaloupe, cucumber, straight neck squash, crook neck squash and zucchini. If you should have any ques-

tions please contact Kenny Swinford at 903-632-5989.

The Rivercrest FFA continues to thank the community for their support of fund-raisers throughout the year.

Fruit Danish fruit mix juice & milk Lunch Ham & cheese sandwiches lettuce/tomato tator tots fruit milk TUESDAY Breakfast Sausage & biscuit condiments

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we provide all the fun!

Information packets with more details and color photos are available for free - TLCMinis@neto.com or 903-784-3363 A sind wer that have in an on an astrain and the the start Bogata Locals

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Gray enjoyed shopping in Dallas. They met their daughter, Jennifer following work and had dinner with her and grandson, Riley at Sonny Bryan's. Riley returned home with the Grays to spend his spring break. On Thursday Riley visited with his great grandpar-ents, Jessie and Willie Mae Gray. Friday he spent the day with his cousin, Heath Holt and Aunt Judy in Cuthand. Saturday Riley and Heath spent the day playing and visiting with Jessie and Willie Mae Gray.

Happy March Birthday to: Lorrie Lemme, Sandra Crow, Dilly Avance, Michelle Gibbs, teresa Alford, Josh Bryson, Michael Burgess, Buster Bell, John Brooks, Eunice Ford, LeAnn Avance, Joe Cruce, Floyd Hanna, Kimberly Young and Judy Holt.

Kenneth and Phyllis Duffer visited his mother, Lorene Duffer in Irving over the weekend.

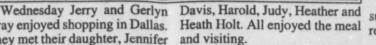
Gerlyn Gray and Heather Holt enjoyed shopping in Paris Friday. Vicki Tabb, Betty Joy Puckett,

Kenneth York and Michael Tabb visited Dixie Stringfellow during the week.

Yvonne Powell of Carrollton visited her sisters, Margie Garrett and Zelma Mauldin over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Chaloner have retunred home from their winter stay in Donna, Tx. Mrs. Chaloner reports being happy to see the rain here at home since there was little throughout the winter in Donna.

Danny Hines grilled hamburgers Saturday night for his wife, Jessica and daughter, Marli and Jerry and Gerlyn Gray, Margaret tor forr ARTec.



Happy March Anniversary to: Justin and Jane Strawn, Jackie and Anita Couch and Robert and Nina Holt.

Sunday Jerry Gray bar-b-qued steaks for lunch in celebration of daughter, Judy Holt's birthday. Attending to share the meal and fun were Judy's mom, Gerlyn Bogata, Haley and Jacob Eudy Gray, Aunt Margaret Davis, Jes- and Stoney Davis. sica, Danny and Marli Hines, Jennifer and Riley Reeder, her husband, Harold Holt and children, Heather and Heath. In the afternoon Jennifer and Riley returned home to Dallas.

Betty Joy Puckett of Denton returning home. spend last week in the home of Edna Earl and M.J. Dodd and visited with other relatives in the area. Thursday Betty was accompanied by Dixie Stringfellow to Mt. Pleasant where they met Lucille Childers and Toni Combest of Pittsburg at the home of Jan and Mac McCuller for lunch. In the afternoon Betty and Dixie visited with Kenneth York at Rosalie. On Saturday Betty treated Dixie and Kenneth to lunch in Clarksville as an early celebration of Dixie's birthday. In the afternoon Betty returned home to Denton.

Heather Holt visited over night with her cousin, Marli Hines Friday. On Saturday Marli's mom, Jessica, took the girls shopping.

On Monday Robbi Marshall and Mandy Kelley went to a color and highlight class at the Best Western's Onyx Room in Paris. The class was taught by Mr. Walter Miller of Lubbock. Mr. Miller is the North Texas Regional Educa-



Please call your locals news in to 379-444 Karen Jones underwent back Henry D. Norman. Scott, Mason and Ashley

Talco Locals

Lee Antone visited with Nancy

Annette Swaim of Houston vis-

and Eddie Brown Friday afternoon.

ited with her parents, Ois and Edith

Swaim and other family and

friends this past week while on

Jody Nolen was admitted to

Titus County Regional Hospital

Saturday with a back injury. He is

Jerry Franks was takend to Ti-

tus County Regional Hospital with

chest pain Monday. He was trans-

ferred to Tyler where he under-

went open heart surgery Tuesday.

sign. These symbols represent our

new nation, trust in God, unity,

freedom and preserving peace.

Thirteen is repeated in designs

Mary Kathryn red the corre-

The next meeting will be April

spondence. The meeting closed

10. The church van will take mem-

bers to tour the Christians in Ac-

tion facility in Paris. Members are

asked to be present at the church

and numbers many times.

with dismissal prayer.

spring break from her school.

reported improving.

surgery in Tyler Thursday. She is Blalock and Ray and Linda Blalack reported home and doing well. Happy March Anniversary to enjoyed Saturday at Wright

Tina and Harold Jackson and Scott Fatman Lake. and Nicole Blalock. Visiting and enjoying lunch

with Rayford and Vera Pittman Sunday were Linda and Tommy Wisinger, Jerry, Trisha and Mike Pittman of Mt. Pleasant, Kristie, Ray Lou and Carson Damron of

Marta Rhoades and Robert Caul and Nancy Brown visited with Karen and Johnny Jones at Medical Center Hospital in Tyler Thursday. They enjoyed lunch at Mercado's and shopping before

Happy March Birthday to

Bogata Methodist Women meet

The Bogata Methodist Women tion and its printed symbolic demet Wednesday, March 13 in the Fellowship Hall for the regularly scheduled meeting. Nine members were present. Mary Kathryn Cotten opened the meeting by reading the devotional, "Why Worship?" taken from "Our Daily

Mary Kathryn presented the program titled: "A Great History Lesson". Members were asked to closely examine a dollar bill, while interesting facts were told about by 9:30 that day. this bill and what it stand for, its history, materials used in construc-

Rivercrest Athletic Booster Club meets March 18

The Rivercrest Athletic Booster Club met Monday, March 18, 2002 to make plans for the next track and field meet on Friday, April 5, 2002.

The club is asking for volunteers to work the concessions, particularly from start up time of 2:30 p.m. until around 5:00 p.m. with the meet ending around 9:00

Free screenings March 26-28

System will offer free health Christus St. Joseph's Medical screenings March 26-28 in con- Center, Christus St. Joseph's, junction with National Patient South, 820 Clarksville St. A phar-Safety Awareness Week.

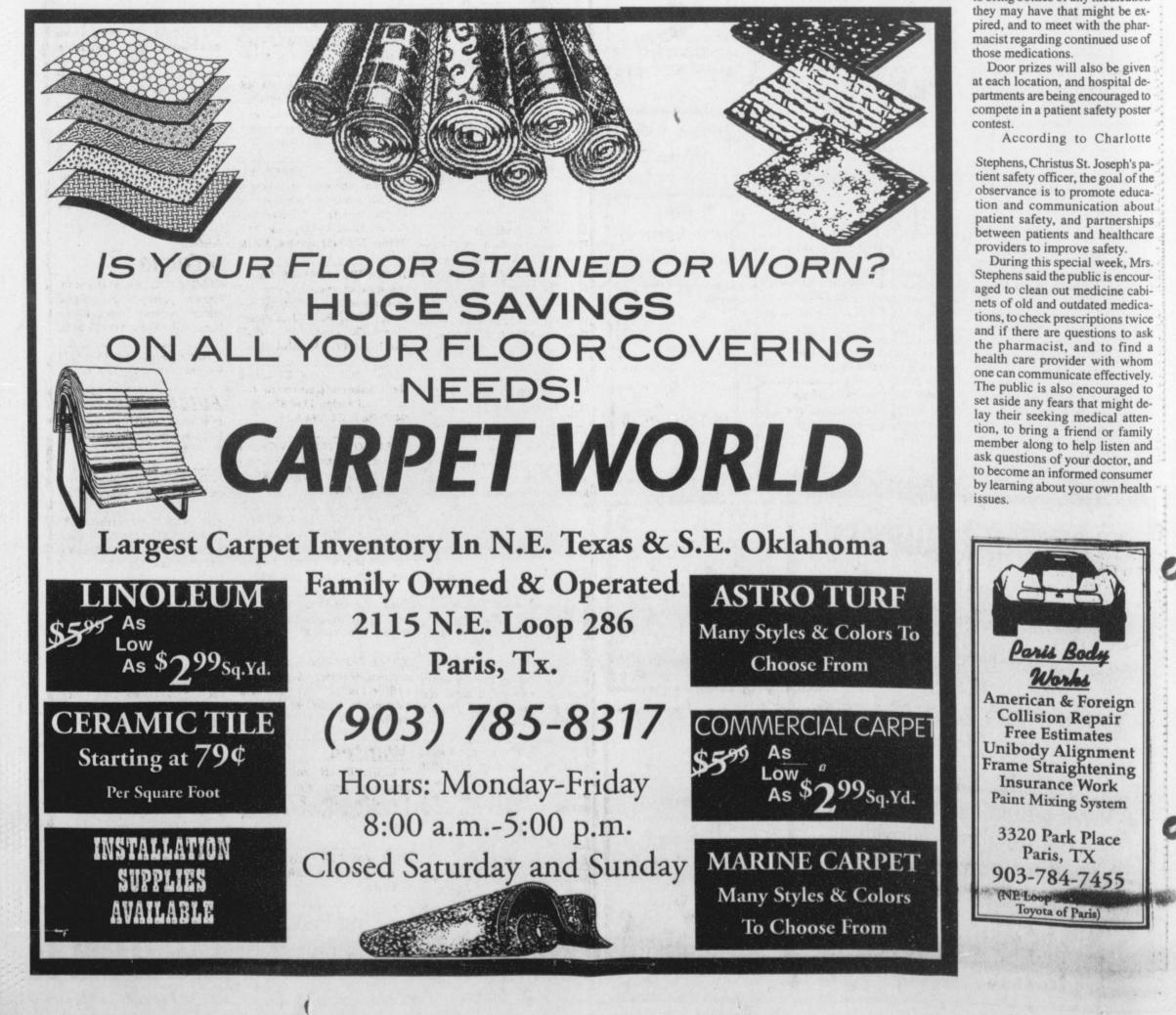
pressure checks and distribution medications and potential drug in-

p.m. Please call Karen Beers at 903-674-2272 or 427-5522 of you would be interested in helping out. It would be greatly appreciated.

The next meeting will be April 8, 2002 at 7:00 pm in the homemaking room at Rivercrest High School. All members are urged to attend

Christus St. Joseph's Health from 10 a.m. until noon at both macist will also be available at Screenings, to include blood each location to discuss various of safety literature, will be held teractions. Visitors are encouraged to bring bottles of any medication







Public Notices

REQUEST FOR BIDS Equipment for Sale The City of Blossom requests sealed bids for the following quipment

Ford 1900 Diesel 3-Cyl Tractor. Good condition, 1643 hours. Equipment available for inspection at Blossom City Hall. Sealed bids should be received at Blossom City Hall, 1240 W. Front Street, P.O. Box 297, Blossom, Texas, 75416, prior to 4:00 p.m., April 4, 2002. The City reserves the right to reject any or all bids and/or to

waive any technicality benefiting the City. For additional information, contact 903-982-5900.

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REQUEST FOR BIDS The City of Deport is accepting bids for the demolition and removal of buildings on Main Street in Deport, Texas. Contact Deport City Hall at 903-652-3875 for bid requirements during regular business hours 3-21

Bogata V.F.W. News

* The Post is open Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 3:00 p.m. until 12:00 midnight and Saturday from 1:00 p.m until 1:00 a.m. Pool tables and shuffle board are open to enjoy all the time.

*The Ladies Auxiliary will meet the 2nd Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Members are urged to attend.

* The VFW men will meet the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Members are urged to attend.

*The Post has a shuffle board tournament every Saturday beginning at 3:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to come out and share the fun. The board has recently been renovated and is ready for play.

*Officers for the coming year in the Ladies Auxiliary will be elected April 8, 2002. The meeting will begin at 7:00 p.m.All members are urged to attend and bring a friend. The group is in need of new members and all ladies are invited to attend and beome a part of the organization.



Annette Swaim



RANDY CARROLL-is pictured with Jo Anschutz accepting his award for being the one to guess closest to the number of pennies in the Talco Guaranty Bank "Pot of Gold" contest held on St. Patrick's Day. Randy received \$25 in one dollar gold coins for his effort.

Annette Swaim awarded Teacher of the Year

Annette Swaim was elected Teacher of the Year 2001-2002 at Sylvan Rodriquez Jr. Elementary in Houston, Texas. Annette is the daughter of Ois and Edith Ruth Garrett Swaim of Talco and sister of Carol and Dean Leake of Talco. She is the aunt of Bill Dixon of Longview and Mandi, Kenneth, Blake, Kendall and Kamron Kelley of Bogata.

Sylvan Rodriquez is a new school that opened August 2001; the students and teachers were housed at four different campuses. The new building opened January 7, 2002, with 960 students and 92 teachers. Cooperate sponsors for the school are The Sylvan Rodriguez Foundation, NASA, The Houston Astros, The Houston Texans, The Houston Rockets and the Houston Comets.

Annette graduated from Rivercrest High School in 1969. She attended one year at Paris Junior College and received her BS from East Texas State University with a degree in Elementary Education, Physical Education and a Kindergarten Endorsement. She has 30 hours of graduate work from ETSU and received certification in Early Childhood Development, Generic Special Education and Language Learning Disabilities.

She began her teaching career at Bogata Elementary in a class for first, second and third grade resource students. Since 1977, she has taught in the Houston Independent School District in early childhood handicapped classes. Presently she is teaching a first grade high functioning autism/ asperger's class.

This letter of recommendation was sent in behalf of Annette by one of her students parents: Dear sirs.

I am writing this letter on behalf of Annette Swaim, who has Swim lessons start April 1

Centers will be offering specialized aquatic programs starting in April.

Red Cross Swim lessons will begin April 1 at Aerofit on Mon- Life Wellness Center. Classes are days and Thursdays. All classes on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

been nominated for Special Education Teacher of the Year. Let me first begin by saying Ms. Swaim is a teacher who once you encounter, will make a lasting impression on your life. She love and cares for each of her students. In a time where so many teachers are in it for a paycheck, Ms. Swaim is in the profession because she has the heart and passion for the children. It shows on her face and in her voice when she is with the children or whenever she speaks of the children.

My husband and I first met Ms. Swaim in 1992 when our son Bryan, who was 3 years old at the time entered Early Childhood at Burbank Elementary. It was very hard for us because we did not feel that our son belonged in that class. We felt that there was more to him than he could express (his words were trapped inside). It was a very difficult time because i knew how easily a child could get caught up and lost within the school system once they have been labeled as being learning disabled. This label can hurt as well as help because many do not expect much from those who carry this label. We thank God for Ms. Swaim. She does not feel that a label dictates what you are capable of. Our son was not talking when he went into Ms. Swaim's class he had a very high pitched scream and to coin a phrase was "Hell on Wheels". He was in another teacher's class at first but was moved into Ms. Swaim's class. By this point, we were totally devastated. I still can not explain how she did it other than love and patience. She worked with him and worked through the difficulties and did not give up on him. She looked beyond his label and loved the speech out of him. It's as if he wanted to talk to get the praise from her. He loved to do

Christus St. Joseph's Wellness are taught by Certified Red Cross Water Safety Instructors.

Aqua Moms, a program designed for the mom to be is an ongoing class held at RACE for

things to see her smile. He received the Outstanding Progress Award from HISD in November 1993. Ms. Swaim has a way of looking into each child, seeing their potential and pulling it out. She looks into their eyes and connects with them. It's hard to put into words how that makes you feel as a parent. To know that your precious gift is being shown. the patience, love and understanding even when you are away form them is indescribable. Ms. Swaim has a way of knowing when the child needs her to be teacher, mother, nurse, friend or playmate. And, she does each without begrudging the child. It is not a burden to her. We know that no one is perfect and most would say that everyone has a bad day, but, I can honestly say that I have never seen one from Annette around the children. She gives them her all when she is with them. These special education students require more of the teachers assigned to them and it takes someone special to undertake such a task. Our son is now 11 years old, in the 7th grade and is in the Honors program at Klein Intermediate. We credit Annette for being there to pull out what was trapped inside during his most crucial learning years. She saw beyond the label. His eyes still light up when we mention Ms. Swaim's name around him and we still have to take him by to see her whenever she is teaching. If that's not impact, I don't know what is.

Ms. Annette Swaim is not just a Special Education Teacher of the Year, she is a Teacher Of A Lifetime.

RWNT to meet

Republican Women of Northeast Texas will meet Monday, March 25 at 6:30 p.m. in the community room of Pilgrim Bank in Mt. Pleasant. Martha Down from Maud will present the program.

The meeting is open to all ladies who have an interest in learning about and participating in Republican activities and campaigns. For information, call Debe McGuire at 572-6661.

