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Why aren't we all 22?

I want to know why we aren't all firm skinned, smooth skinned, un-wrinkled and as gorgeous as twenty-one year olds?

Why would I think we should be? Simple, just watch television for a while, or open up a magazine, especially a "woman's" magazine. Then, look through the ads.

There they are, ad after ad after ad for creams, treatments, surgery centers, you name it. And all of them claim to renew, revitalize, un-wrinkle, un-age and totally restore your skin to its original, dewy youthfulness.

Some creams only "plump up" smaller wrinkles. Others make the grandiose claim that they actually remove wrinkles.

Others fight wrinkling, age spots, enlarged pores, lack of skin tone, on and on and on.

The one thing that they all have in common is simple. They call cost a lot.

Tiny little jars and vials and tubes cost anywhere from \$50 up to hundreds of dollars!

Of course, no one ever told us that the fountain of youth would be free, did they?

Well, I suppose it would be worth it if they did all that they claim to do.

But, I suspect they don't do nearly so much as they claim.

There is another aspect of this, too. I cannot imagine going in for chemical face peels. I have enough trouble dealing with real, physical problems such as torn rotator cuffs, replaced knees, etc. I can't imagine subjecting myself to a harsh chemical that would literally strip the outer surface of my skin off!

Even more amazing to me is the idea of a face lift. If it is that important to you and affordable, do it by all means.

For myself, I'm too big of a chicken to be anesthetized and cut on in order to pull out my crow's feet!

No, I'm afraid that my many years in the sun, my many hours spent on tractors and my stresses and worries show in my face. And that is the way it has to stay.

I can't afford hundreds of dollars in wrinkle removers, preventers or peels. And, I'm always the skeptic....if it sounds to good to be true, it probably is. Ponce De Leon never found the fabled fountain of youth....and it doubt we'll find it in the bottom of a jar!

Still, if one believes all the ads one reads we could buy about five different products and come out actually getting younger every day. Believe it if you will....I think I'll pass.



JEFF JACKSON, Rivercrest graduate, performed for the Rivercrest Education Foundation's banquet and silent auction last Saturday night.

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First REF Banquet is huge success

The first annual Rivercrest Education Foundation benefit banquet was held Saturday, May 4 at the Rivercrest Elementary cafeteria. There were 278 tickets sold and 260 people were in attendance for the dinner catered by Texas Belle. Approximately \$14,198.00 was raised at the event.

The tables were decorated in a patriotic theme using placemats decorated by the elementary students using descriptive words to spell out "America". Centerpieces were beautiful red geraniums donated by Kelley Farms. Large potted geraniums also graced the stage area. The round table tops were provided by the Prairiland Academic Trust.

Guests were treated to valet parking provided by some of this year's senior class and junior Student Council members. Students also served as waiters for the meal. Those serving were seniors Kendall Stansell, Kayla Belcher, Pearl Ponthieux, Cassie Perry,

Brittany Bull, Robyn Hollis, Krisha Allums, Charla Hines, Steven Shade, Ryan Hawkins, Brandon Davis, Mark Evans, Jerry Ward, Zach Ward, Nathan Carroll, Mollie Moles and student council members Alison Foster and Molly Hare.

Entertainment was provided by the Rivercrest High School band under the direction of Steven Moss, band director. Also, Jeff Jackson, former Rivercrest graduate provided vocal numbers as he accompanied himself on the guitar. Finale for the evening was DJ and the Cuthand Bottom Boys. Their group consisted of Donna Jo Jessee, Stanley Jessee, Jim Purviance and Gary Cheatwood. All are former Rivercrest graduates. The toe-tapping music was enjoyed by all.

Local businesses and individuals donated 146 items for the silent auction. From the small to the very expensive, there was some-

thing for everyone there. Many were handcrafted by area talented artisans. The silent auction netted \$7,918.75 for the foundation.

Together with ticket sales, the event brought in approximately \$14,000.00. This money will go toward providing scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 each to qualified Rivercrest seniors. This money will be used to defray the cost of college or vocational school.

The Rivercrest Education Foundation, Inc. is a non-profit organization whose sole purpose is to provide financial aid in the form of scholarships to Rivercrest graduating seniors.

Everyone who helped to make this year's banquet a success is greatly appreciated. If anyone is interested in learning more about the organization, please contact Rivercrest High School at 632-5204 or any of the 30 trustees for more information.



OVER 260 PEOPLE ATTENDED the Rivercrest Education Foundation's banquet held last Saturday night. The event raised over \$14,000 for scholarships for graduating Rivercrest seniors.

Memory Wall bricks on sale now

The Rivercrest Spanish Club will be selling memory bricks until Wednesday, May 8, 2002. The bricks will be placed with the other ones on the Memory Wall at the football field.

To order a brick please call Pam Hays at the high school, 903-632-5204, during the following times: 8:50-9:40 am or 10:30-11:15 am. If you are unable to call during these hours, please call the

school and leave a message and Mrs. Hays will return your call. The cost of the bricks is \$29 for three lines or \$25 for two lines. There have been bricks ordered with names only, names and dates of graduation and also in memory of friends and family.

Everyone is encouraged to please order bricks by May 8, 2002 so they may be seen during the next football season.

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Slave auction

Students at Rivercrest Junior High who scored 90 or above on the TAAS will enjoy a slave auction on May 23 at 9:00 a.m.

Where do they get slaves? THE TEACHERS! Students may bid on the teacher of their choice for a Slave-For-A-Day. The day should be great fun for the students but aren't we glad we are not Rivercrest Junior High teachers?

Senior parents seeking donations

The parents of Rivercrest Seniors will be collecting donations for the after graduation lock-in held annually.

This year the school is not sponsoring the lock-in and the parents need your help to furnish gifts, games, food and fun for the lock-in.

Each year many high school graduates are killed traveling to or from parties, some where alcohol and drugs are supplied. Please help these parents keep their children safe by giving them a sponsored party where fun and food are the main items of the evening.

You may make a donation by contacting Kelly Stansell at 379-3841 or calling the Rivercrest High School at 632-5204.

TBSI to host

The Talco Baseball/Softball Inc. will host a co-ed softball tournament on Saturday, May 18, 2002 at the Talco field.

Anyone interested in entering a team or any single person interested in playing may contact Marta Rhoades at 903-379-3491 or 573-6515 or Patsy Smith at 903-379-2970 or 379-2109.

Council takes no action on K-9 car

The Bogata City Council met in regular session Monday, May 13 at 7 p.m. with all councilmembers present and Mayor Randy Kennedy presiding.

New officers were sworn in by Municipal Judge Michael Garretson. Randy Kennedy was sworn in as Mayor for a two year term and new councilmembers are Charles D. Lewis and Brian Strickland (2 year terms) and Larry Garretson and Jerry House for one year terms. Mayor Kennedy thanked Ms. Gina Allen for serving as councilmember for the last year.

Council heard from several visitors, then convened into executive session at 7:19 to discuss personnel. After reconvening in regular session at 7:49 p.m., council voted to allow Kay Neading to work full time and take over the court clerk duties. They also voted to have community service workers supervised by an employee during the week and by a volunteer on Saturdays.

Minutes, bills and final waterbill accounts were approved. Police Chief Clegg gave his report and showed council a plaque to be given to Bill Priefert in appreciation for the dog kennel he donated. Chief Clegg has applied for two grants and is working on another for help in building/remodeling City Hall.

Water Superintendent Wendell Davis reported 52 work orders, five leaks, four sewer stops, and

four dogs picked up. The sewer plant was inspected and had no violations. Thirty-five tons of oil sand have been used in patching, mowing is ongoing and sod is being put on yards where sewer lines were replaced on the grant project.

An ordinance to prohibit adult arcades inside the city will be read at the next meeting. Council voted to table action on blueprints for City Hall and possibly will have a workshop for this.

No action was taken on telecommunications tax.

Charles D. Lewis was elected Major Pro-tem for another year. Action on moving a handicap sign on Main Street was tabled pending more information from the state. The "dusk to dawn" light at the community center was tabled until conferring with the Lions Club.

Council voted to change trash pick up day from Wednesday to Friday as requested by B&B Equipment. The date for the change will be announced later by B&B Equipment.

Council took no action to purchase a new police K-9 patrol car.

They voted to accept the low bid of \$6,070 from Encompass to repair a collapsing sewer line at Bogata Housing Authority playground. They also discussed lots that need to be cleaned up and mowed.

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.



Rivercrest Junior High Valedictorian Katie Smith



Rivercrest Junior High Salutatorian Monica Savage

Rivercrest Junior High announces top students of 2002

Kelly Stansell, Principal at Rivercrest Junior High announced the top 8th grade graduates this week. Receiving the Valedictorian position is Kathryn Nichole (Katie) Smith, daughter of William Smith of Rowlette and Kathy Smith of Sugar Hill, Tx. Receiving the Salutatorian position is Monica Michelle Savage, daughter of Mary Jane Savage of Talco.

Other top students who will receive Honor Student jackets are Adam Horn with a 93:45 GPA, Aaron Palmer with a 93:31, Whitney Savage with a 91:73, Jessica Griffin with a 91:17, Bailie Spencer with a 90:97 and Monique Savage with a 90:74. Adam is the son of David Horn of Mt. Pleasant and Mary Lynn and Kenneth Palmer of Bogata. Aaron is the son of Karla Palmer of Bogata and Kenneth and Mary Lynn Palmer of Bogata. Whitney is the daughter of Janice Savage of Talco. Jessica is the daughter of Dale Griffin of Talco and Stacie and Mitch Carney of Mt. Pleasant. Bailie is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Spencer of Bogata and Monique is the daughter of Mary Jane Savage of Talco.

Valedictorian, Kathryn Nichole (Katie) Smith had a 94:30 GPA. Katie has been in the Gifted and Talented program for 4 years and has received numerous ribbons

for her participation in UIL competitions. She has received the Principal's Award and has been on the honor roll every year. She has been a member of the Girl Scouts and participated in Little Dribbler basketball. Katie's favorite hobbies are reading and canoeing.

Salutatorian, Monica Michelle Savage had a 93:60 GPA. Monica is the granddaughter of Nola Savage and the late Elmer Ray Savage of Talco.

Monica is a member of the Talco Bethel Church of God in Christ, where she serves as the Youth Department Secretary. She is also President of the Youth Group. She has been a member of the Lady Rebel basketball and track teams for the past two years, a member of the cross country team for one year and she also has played summer league softball for 7 years. She is a member of the Talco Chill (girls 13-14-15) softball team this year where she plays 3rd base and carries a high batting average. In her spare time Monica enjoys hanging out with her friends and family and chatting on line with friends.

Graduation ceremonies will be held on Thursday, May 23, 2002 at the Rivercrest High School Auditorium beginning at 8:00 p.m.

Country Cooking
By Liz Irwin



Our cook this week is Donny McHam from the Blossom area. Donny is an avid hunter and is one of those that only kills what they can eat. Speaking of eating.....his family is not his biggest fans when it comes to the dishes he prepares. A lot of the times his neighbors come by and help themselves to his culinary delights!

He tells the story of his bear hunt in Canada and how he prepares Bear Roast. It is not for the weak of heart or appetite! Bear is loaded with fat and if cooked properly, can taste a lot like beef.....certainly not chicken. He does give the hint that it is high in cholesterol, but he enjoys it anyway....after all it was his first bear!

Donny is the owner/operator of the Red Oak Gun Shop located on Highway 82 between Blossom and Detroit. He restores older guns and also builds them for other folks, along with being able to do any type of gun repair. He enjoys his work and enjoys visiting with his many customers and hearing their hunting tales as well as telling a few of his own! Up until a few weeks ago, he was a host on a

local radio station doing a weekly show for the outdoorsman or outdoorspeople.

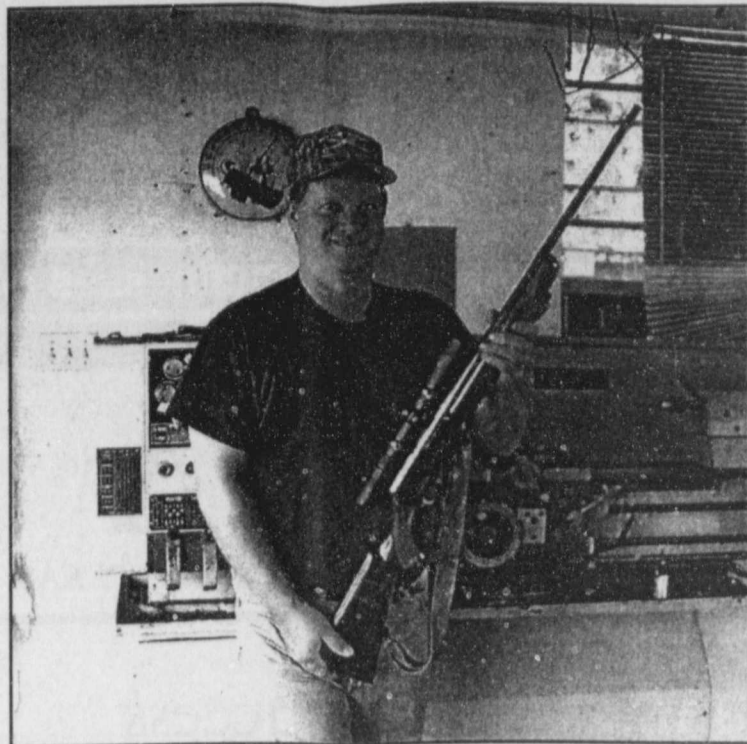
Donny is married to Sheila and she works for the Clarksville ISD. They have three daughters, Leslie, recently married and living in New Mexico, Kelley and Hailey are both students at Detroit.

Although our recipes are a little different this week, we hope you enjoy them and we will see you in the kitchen.....or perhaps in the woods!

DONNY'S FAVORITE VENISON-he started using bacon grease to fry his venison in several years ago when someone told him that it helped to take the wild taste from the meat!

BEAR ROAST-CANADIAN STYLE-this recipe was given to him by a Canadian friend's wife when he was hunting recently up there!

CHICKEN FRIED VENISON-deer meat with a little Cajun flavoring added makes it just right!
SPANISH RICE CASSEROLE-this one he cooks on top of the stove in a skillet.....no microwave or oven for him!



COOK OF THE WEEK this week is Donny McHam of Paris. Donny the owner and operator of the Red Oak Gun Shop where he does custom work on guns of all types and is also a great cook. He is pictured here with one of the guns he is currently working on. He and wife Sheila live in the Blossom area. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)



* 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.

*May 18 there will be a benefit "Cook Out" at 12:00 noon. All proceeds from the lunch will go to Betty Mullin. Come out and eat lunch, spend the afternoon and attend the dance in the evening.

*Make plans now to attend a dance at the VFW on May 18, 2002. The N2K Band will provide music for the occasion. Come out and shake a leg or just enjoy listening and visiting with friends.

I THINK THE NEXT BEST THING TO SOLVING A PROBLEM IS FINDING SOME HUMOR IN IT.
---FRANK A. CLARK***

Cunningham Fire Department having Sale and Trades Day

The Cunningham Fire Department will have a Farm Equipment and Trade Day at 10:00 a.m. on June 8th at the Cunningham Center to help pay for the new Fire Station. There will be a concession stand. Everyone is invited to set up a booth, donate items for the Fire Department Garage Sale or Sale Farm Equipment items.

For information call James and Pat Norwood at 652-2672.

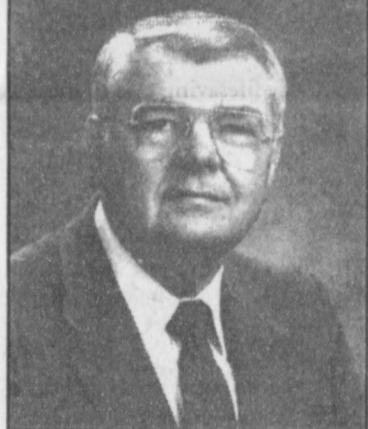
Parks Reunion set for June 2nd

The Parks Reunion will meet Sunday, June 2nd at the American Legion Building in Deport.

All relatives and friends are urged to attend.

Lunch will be served at the noon hour and the afternoon will be spent visiting and some of the relatives may sing and make music, which everyone enjoys.

Plan to attend.



Dr. James Brunette, gala chairman

Dr. Brunette named chairman for Christus St. Joseph gala

James Brunette, D.D.S., community leader and retired Paris orthodontist, has been named chairman of the 2002 CHRISTUS St. Joseph's Health System gala, planned Saturday, Oct. 5, at the Love Civic Center.

"We're looking forward to the 2002 gala," Dr. Brunette said, "since this will be the first since the consolidation of St. Joseph's and McCuiston." Preliminary planning is already under way, he added, and committees are in the process of being formed.

Sandy Keith, retired McCuiston patient representative, has been named gala coordinator.

Dr. Brunette, former mayor and Paris city councilman, was the Paris Education Foundation's 1995 honoree at the annual "I Love Paris" gala. He is also a Paul Harris Fellow, an honor bestowed upon him by the Rotary Club of Paris, and is recipient of the Lion's Club's Melvin Jones Fellow award, the highest honor bestowed by Lions International for service to the community. He is a past

president of the First District Dental Society, was named in 1974 as Dentist of the Year by the Paris Dental Assistants' Association, and in 1991 was awarded a life membership from the Texas Dental Association. He is an active member of the Lamar County Chamber of Commerce, having served as its president in 1985-86. The Chamber has also honored him as Outstanding Small Business Person of the Year in 1993.

Dr. Brunette, an active member of the Paris Founders Lions Club since 1951, has held every office in the local club with the exception of "tail twister." He has also held several district offices during the time.

He and his wife, Flo, have four children: Cathy Niles of Celina, Tom Brunette and Leah Pursifull both of Paris, and Hardy Brunette of Tyler.

The annual gala serves as a major fundraiser for the CHRISTUS St. Joseph's Foundation, with proceeds from this year's event going to scholarships for local nursing students.

Obituaries

Mrs. Martha Thornton dies May 10

Mrs. Martha Almeda Thornton, age 81 of Jacksonville died May 10 in Jacksonville.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, May 15 at Beatty Funeral Home Chapel in Hawkins with Bro. Gene Lofton officiating. Burial followed in Hawkins Cemetery under the direction of Beatty Funeral Home.

Mrs. Thornton was born October 19, 1920 in Johntown, daughter of Alton Scarborough and Decie Hinton Scarborough. She was a retired exercise technician from the University of Texas Health Center and a member of Big Sandy Church of Christ. She lived in Hawkins until 2000 when she moved to Jacksonville.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Henry "Son" Thornton; a son, Jerry Wayne Thornton; three brothers, Wilson Scarborough, Buster Scarborough and Jack Scarborough; and one sister, Nan Gibbs.

Surviving are a son, Dale Thornton of Mesquite; a daughter, Charlotte Kern of Jacksonville; a sister, Billie Fleming of Tyler; five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Milton Soward, Max Archer, Norman Stokes, Keith Stevens, Doug Kendall and Jim Slover.

Memorials may be made to the American Lung Association or the Big Sandy Church of Christ.

Helen Iris Tucker dies May 8

Helen Iris Tucker, age 57, of Bagwell died Wednesday, May 8 in Baylor Hospital, Dallas.

Services were held Saturday, May 11 at 11 a.m. in Lindeman Chapel of Clarksville Funeral Home with Rev. Don Shovan officiating. Burial followed in Blanton Creek Cemetery under the direction of Clarksville Funeral Home.

Mrs. Tucker was born March 27, 1945 in Red River County, the daughter of Troy and Bertha Hutson Lee. She was a housewife and a Baptist. She was preceded in death by her mother and one brother, Dan Lee.

Surviving are her husband, Donald Tucker of Bagwell, whom she married October 19, 1963 in Red River County; her father, Troy Lee of Clarksville; daughters, Christy and husband Michael Manning of Ft. Worth; and grandchildren Britney, Michael and Dakota.

Pallbearers were James Hastings, Bobby Hastings, Ray Hastings, Gaylon Rogers, Clint Morgan and Victor Wells.

Mary Lucille Bailey dies May 9

Mary Lucille Bailey, age 85 of Bagwell, died May 9 in Christus St. Joseph North.

Services were held Saturday, May 11 at 2 p.m. in Lindeman Chapel of Clarksville Funeral Home with Rev. Pat Travis officiating. Burial followed in Detroit Cemetery under the direction of Clarksville Funeral Home.

Mrs. Bailey was born May 21, 1916 in Red River County, the daughter of Fred and Mary Caldwell Freeze. She was a retired nurses aide and was a Baptist.

Surviving are her husband, L.C. Bailey of Bagwell; a son, Leonard Bailey of Detroit; daughters, Jean Clark of Bagwell and Mozelle Dean of Detroit; 14 grandchildren; several great-grandchildren and several great-great-grandchildren.

Bearers were James Elrod, John Elrod, Willie Griffin, Kenneth Bailey, Wayne Parker and Jimmy Dean.

A.F. "Nig" Martin dies May 12

A.F. "Nig" Martin, age 82 of Bogata died May 12 in Christus St. Joseph North.

Services were held Thursday, May 16 in Lindeman Chapel of Clarksville Funeral Home with Rev. A.B. Kellam officiating. Burial followed in Bogata Cemetery under the direction of Clarksville Funeral Home.

Mr. Martin was born January 22, 1920 in Red River County, the son of Robert and Margaret Martin. He was a World War II veteran, serving in the U.S. Army. He was preceded in death by two daughters, Margrette Ann Mays and Mairlynd Jan Martin.

Surviving is his wife, Margrette Tiffie Martin of Bogata, whom he married November 1, 1942; sons, Alfred Dale Martin of Winnemucca, NE, Earl Wayne Martin of Clarksville, Kenneth Martin of Clarksville and Ernest Lee Martin of Branson, MO; daughters, Cairlynn Jean Nation of Bogata and Loice Laverne Bullock of Mt. Pleasant; sisters Mattie Tiffie of Bogata, Pearl Spencer of Bogata, Mary Fitzgerald of Powderly, Mamie Spencer and Opal Houden of Lubbock; brothers Bobby Martin and Earl Martin of Clarksville; 18 grandchildren and several great-grandchildren.

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Thursday, May 16, 2002
Donny McHam

Donny's Favorite Venison
1 pound deer steak-cut in approximately 2"-3" pieces
salt and pepper to taste
garlic powder to taste
1/2 up diced onion
1/2 cup diced bell pepper
1 small can mushrooms
1 cup water
1 tablespoon flour

Roll each piece of venison in flour with garlic powder added. Heat skillet with small amount of bacon grease. Brown each piece on both sides and remove and place on a plate. Put onion, pepper and mushrooms in same pan and stir for four to five times to coat and add the one cup of water and simmer for two minutes. Place venison back into pan with mixture. Add 1 tablespoon flour to 2-3 more cups of water shake in glass to keep mixture from lumping. Pour this mixture on top of steak and turn to medium and place lid on skillet for about five more minutes.

Bear Roast-Canadian Style
1 small bear roast to fit into crock pot
1 package dry onion soup mix
Place roast into crock pot and cover to 1/4 tp 1/3 full of water and pour in dry soup mixture. Cook all night.

Chicken Fried Venison
1 pound venison-tenderized salt and pepper to taste
garlic to taste
2 eggs
1/2 cup flour
2 cups Cajun Batter
oil to fry

Break eggs into bowl and mix well. Combine flour and Cajun batter in small bowl and set aside. Heat oil until small amount of batter and egg mixture boils. Dip each piece of venison in egg and dry mixture and place in pan and fry until brown. Mix any egg and flour mixture together and roll in the shape of hushpuppies and fry. They are delicious!

Spanish Rice Casserole
1-1/2 cups rice
1 pound veison or hamburger salt and pepper to taste
chili powder to taste
1/2 cup diced onion
1/2 cup diced bell pepper
1 regular can tomato sauce
1 regular can diced tomatoes

Prepare rice until done. Cook hamburger in skillet and brown. Season with salt and pepper and chili pepper. Stir in onions and peppers only until mixed. Add rice, tomato sauce and diced tomatoes. Place lid on pan and simmer for five minutes and serve.

Attend the Church of Your Coice

Thank You!!

The Pattonville VFD would like to thank everyone that supported our fish fry and auction. We hope everyone got plenty to eat and had a good time.

We also would like to thank everyone who donated items and worked so hard to make the fish fry and auction a success. Kevin Jenkins of Summer won the trailer and approximately \$3,500 was made at the auction.

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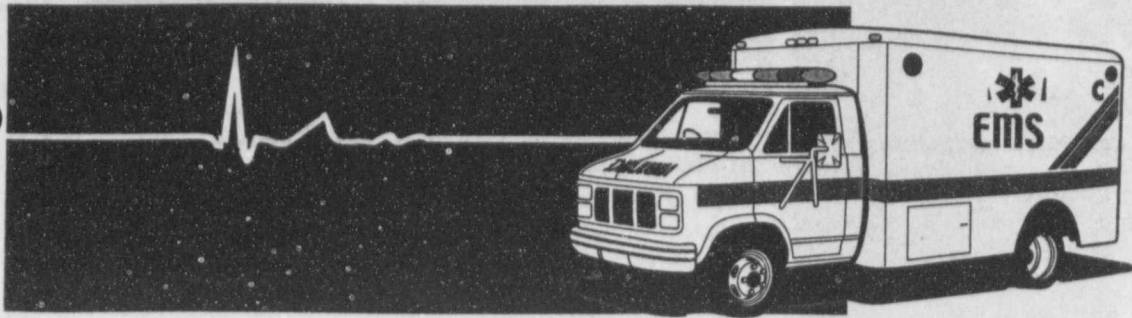
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National EMS Week



Some thoughts on Emergency Medical Services

By Nanalee Nichols

For those of you that don't know, I am a member of the Deport VFD and a First Responder. I've also been covering wrecks, accidents, fires and other terrible events for 25 years now as a journalist.

May 19th through the 25th National Emergency Services Week. Just one more in a long line of "Weeks"? Yes and No. Because emergency medical services both professional and volunteer are more important than the average citizen realizes. I will use the word professional to designate a paid EMS worker, and volunteer to designate a non-paid EMS worker. But make no mistake...they both know what they are doing, and often volunteers are professionals who serve as volunteers in their time off.

I have shared a few of my sentiments about EMS personnel with readers in the past, and I want to share a few of them once more, both old and new memories and opinions.

I have seen volunteers and professionals alike with ice coating their bunker gear, exhausted and falling for the tenth time on glaze ice as they go to the fourth or fifth

auto accident of the day.

I have seen professionals and volunteers alike weep over the body of a beautiful child who is past all help, or work frantically to save the life of a child who is almost dead.

I have used and seen people use the AED, giving a heart attack victim the only hope of survival they have. And, sometimes it works! Even when it doesn't, I have seen the comfort and care that EMS personnel extend to the families undergoing the terrible loss of a loved one.

I have watched as volunteers break out body bags and I have searched for sheets to help cover the dead and lend dignity to a corpse.

I watched an elderly patient who was so scared her vitals were "off the charts" relax and settle down because of a kind hand staving off the blackness of a night without company.

I have watched EMS on ambulances practically stumbling in weariness during a flu epidemic, but still managing to give excellent care to their patients.

The jolt of a beeper going off

becomes so ingrained that the deepest sleep is instantly shattered by its shrill. Clothing is donned by volunteers in seconds, and within only a minute a truck will be rolling to offer comfort and aid. Only a few minutes after that, an ambulance will be on hand also.

I know from personal experience that EMS personnel in the areas our newspapers serve is fast, efficient and caring.

Volunteers struggle to obtain as much training as possible, and they struggle to raise money for both training and equipment.

EMS faces challenges with contracts and pay, but it never stops them from doing their very best for their patients.

EMS weeks doesn't get a lot of publicity. It should.

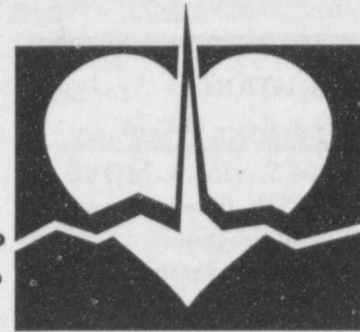
Because if emergency medical services aren't around to keep a patient viable until they get to ER, all the physicians and hospitals in the world can't help.

The Blossom Times, Bogata News, Deport Times, Detroit Weekly and Talco Times, along with myself, personally, salute the volunteers and the paid professionals of Emergency Medical Services. Keep up the exceptional job!

We Salute The Men and Women Who Provide Lifesaving Care During National Emergency Medical Service Week, May 19-25

Paris EMS

- Kent Klinkerman, Director, LP
- Stewart Dodson, Spt. LP
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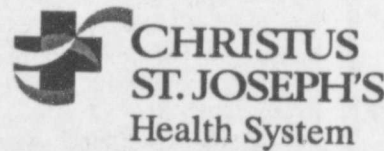
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Proclamation

To Designate the Week of May 19-25, 2002 as Emergency Medical Services Week

Whereas, emergency medical services is a vital public service; and

Whereas, the members of emergency medical services teams are ready to provide lifesaving care to those in need 24 hours a day, seven days a week; and

Whereas, access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury; and

Whereas, emergency medical services providers have traditionally served as the safety net of America's health care system; and

Whereas, emergency medical services teams consist of emergency physicians, emergency nurses, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, firefighters, educators, administrators, and others; and

Whereas, approximately two-thirds of all emergency medical services providers are volunteers; and

Whereas, the members of emergency medical services teams, whether career or volunteer, engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their lifesaving skills; and

Whereas, Americans benefit daily from the knowledge and skills of these highly trained individuals; and

Whereas, it is appropriate to recognize the value and accomplishments of emergency medical services providers by designating Emergency Medical Services Week; and

Whereas, injury prevention and the appropriate use of the EMS system will help reduce national health care costs; and

Now, therefore, I, Randy Kennedy, Mayor of Bogata, Texas, in recognition of this event do hereby proclaim the week of May 19-25, 2002 as

Emergency Medical Services Week

and encourage the community to observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies and activities.

Randy Kennedy, Mayor
May 9, 2002

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Car Seat Check-up is June 5

A car seat check-up will be held June 5 from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Paris Wal-Mart parking lot. The event is being sponsored by the Paris EMS.

The Car Seat Check-up Program was developed by the Department of Transportation and the Department of Health due to the growing number of injuries and deaths of infants and toddlers. National studies have discovered that infants and toddlers were restrained improperly in car seats.

Those same national studies reflected that at least 8 out of 10 car seats are incorrectly used. The studies revealed that correctly installed car seats are 71% effective in reducing deaths for infants, 54% effective in reducing toddler deaths, and reduced the need for hospitalization by 69%.

Paris EMS became involved with the Child Safety Seat Program last year when the studies were brought to the attention of local Paramedics. One of the goals at Paris/Lamar County EMS is injury prevention. Citizens need to know that injuries are prevented if infants and children are properly secured when riding in a vehicle.

A 32-hour training program was developed through the efforts of the DOH & the DOT to educate individuals to become Child Passenger Seat Technicians. This 32-hour training program consists of learning: Basics of injury prevention, Crash Dynamics, Federal Safety Standards, Identifying Vehicle Occupant Protection Systems, Correct Installation of Car Seats, Selecting and Securing the right car seat for each child, and how to set up a Car Seat Check-Up Event. The Car Seat Check-up events are held to educate parents and others on how to select and install the proper child restraint for their child.

Paris EMS sent Paramedic Mike Goss to Child Safety Seat Class in Tyler to become a Child Passenger Safety Seat Technician. Paris EMS sponsored their first Car Seat Check-Up event in May of 2001. During the event, 53 car seats were checked in which 46 of the seats were incorrectly installed.

Paris EMS is planning many more such events to assist citizens in preventing injuries to infants and children.

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LUNCH
 Chicken salad sandwiches on croissants
 potato wedges or tots
 pork & beans
 peach cobbler
 milk

TUESDAY
LUNCH
 Corn chip pie
 beans
 cheese sticks
 salad
 milk

WEDNESDAY
LUNCH
 Chicken nuggets w/gravy
 creamed potatoes
 green beans
 rolls
 milk

THURSDAY
LUNCH
 Pizza
 corn
 salad
 fruit w/topping
 milk

FRIDAY
LUNCH
 Cheeseburgers
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Tonya Houchins with fiancé Audie Earley
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Miss Sydney Earley announces the engagement and approaching marriage of her daddy, Audie Earley, to Miss Tonya Houchins. Miss Houchins is the daughter of Weldon and Sharon Houchins of Paris. She is the granddaughter of Reil and Margie Moss of Paris and the late Wendell Houchins and Joe and the late Helen Charles of Bonham.

Audie is the son of Ray and Shirle Earley of Bogata. He is the grandson of the late Oscar and Nora Smith and the late Lewis and Betty Earley. The couple will be married on May 18, 2002 at 3:00 p.m. at the home of the groom's sister, Mr. and Mrs. Steve (Kathy) Hawkins of Bogata.



Olivia Fouse, Lamar Livestock Show Princess

Olivia Fouse named Princess

Olivia Fouse, daughter of Casey and Delesha Jeffery, granddaughter of Kenneth and Pat Jeffery of Bogata was crowned Lamar County Junior Livestock Show Princess on April 16, 2002 at Lamar County Fairgrounds in Paris, Tx. Olivia is an 8th grade student at North Lamar. She is a member of the United States Achievement Academy, a USA scholar and participates in basketball at school and on the Flashbacks traveling team. Olivia is the vice president of the Lamar County Horse Club and secretary on the Lamar County Council. She is very active in Band, student council and rodeo events where she runs barrels and poles. She is a member of the horse judging team and winner of the 2002 Lamar County Horsemanship Challenge.

Did You Know? Volunteer Fire Departments With First Responder Units have found that 50% to 75% of their calls are MEDICAL!

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District 12 VFW/Auxiliary Convention held

On Sunday, May 12, 2002 the District 12 Convention was held at the Mt. Pleasant Post. Elections were held in both the VFW and Ladies Auxiliary separate meetings for the State Representatives for the year 2002-2003. Attending the meetings and representing Bogata Post 8187 were: VFW member, Jim Smyth and Ladies Auxiliary members; Phyllis Duffer, Zelma Mauldin, Margie Garrett, Dorothy Smyth and Pat Butler. Member at large attending was Raymond Butler.



Gracie McConnell with 90th birthday cake

Gracie McConnell honored on 90th

Gracie McConnell Bankston was honored on her 90th birthday on April 25, 2002 at the Bogata Community Center.

The part was hosted by her daughter, Barbara Nell Bailey and Gracie's grandchildren.

Between 90 and 100 guests attended.

All of her grandchildren and great-grandchildren were on hand except for five.

Each brother and sister had a family member to represent them.

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Hagansport plans school reunion

The Hagansport School reunion will be held June 1 at the community center beginning at 11 a.m.

Hamburgers, chips and drinks will be served at noon at a cost of

\$6.00 per person.

Reservations should be made by May 25. Contact Sharon Godfrey Martin, 903-632-4300, Rt. 1, Box 72C, Talco, TX 75487.

PJC presents GEDs to students

The Adult Education Department of Paris Junior College recently held graduation ceremonies for the eighty-five students who successfully completed the GED program.

In his commencement address Mel Price, speech and radio instructor, reminded each graduate that "You do make a difference." Price challenged them to maintain the "can do attitude" they have shown as they achieved their GED diploma.

Janie Bonham, Adult Education and Literacy Consortium Director, presented Cynthia Koehn with the Paris Junior College scholarship.

Bonham presented Betty LaRue

with the Daon Wall Memorial Scholarship to Paris Junior College. This scholarship is designated for a student who has put forth extra effort and overcome extraordinary barriers to gain an education. LaRue is present a student at PJC.

Paris Junior College Bobby Walters and Bonham presented diplomas to the follow local students.

Bagwell: Mary Barnes and Linda Phillips.

Blossom: Heather Boyett, Oscar Gibson, Kathy Henry, Kristi Love and Angela Wilkinson.

Deport, Lloyd Jones
 Detroit: David Powell and Julie Tucker



Dusty Townes

Dusty Townes receives scholarship

Dusty Townes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Townes of Bogata was selected to receive the Clayton Forthman Scholarship in the amount of \$3,000 per year.

The scholarship will be available to Dusty until she completes her Bachelor's Degree as long as she maintains a 2.0 GPA and enrolls for at least 12 hours of college.

Dusty's tentative plans are to attend Stephen F. Austin College. Congratulations Dusty!!!

Rivercrest Junior High Menus May 20-24

MONDAY
 BREAKFAST
 Will vary each day
LUNCH
 Chicken salad sandwiches on white bread
 potato wedges or tots
 pork & beans
 peach cobbler
 milk

TUESDAY
LUNCH
 Corn chip pie
 beans
 cheese sticks
 salad
 milk

WEDNESDAY
LUNCH
 Chicken nuggets w/gravy
 creamed potatoes
 green beans
 rolls
 milk

THURSDAY
LUNCH
 Pizza
 corn
 salad
 fruit w/topping
 milk

FRIDAY
LUNCH
 Cheeseburgers
 burger salad
 beans
 potato wedges or tots
 ice cream
 milk

CUNNINGHAM NEWS
 By Neva Jean Oats

Happy Birthday to Jennifer Dorsey and Quentin Baker.

Happy Anniversaries to Tom and Bea White.

Linda Anderson attended a mother's Banquet at Lakewood Baptist church in Powderly Friday night with Pat West and Cathy Cole. Sunday night she ad Rickey had rusty, Cindy, Marty, Susan and Carrie Anderson and Wendy, Carlos and Cord Ordorica for supper.

Cindy and Charles nichols spent several days touring San Francisco last week. They accompanied Bill Martin, Jr., a children's author to the International Reading Association Conference. They met John, Torrie, Erika and Chance White at their home at Lake Bob Sandlin for the weekend. Torrie was playing in a softball tournament at Pittsburgh.

Sunday dinner guest of Bobby and Shelby Kennedy were Jeff, Cindy, Taylor, Asa, Heath, Missy, Laytner and Laytner Kennedy, T.L. Carol and Brigitte ladd and Taylor Ladd.

The Cunningham Baptist Church honored their mothers Sunday morning. Susie Webster was recognized as the oldest mother, Cindy Kennedy as the youngest mother and Shelby Kennedy as the mother with the most children present.

Sunday guests of Johnny and Nelta Musgrove were Stacy, Linda, Stoney, and Charity Musgrove, Shane and Zarinska Morton, Brenton Norwood, Rick Mannis and James and Faydell Cooper.

Lacy and Kelby Cole spent Saturday night with James and Pat Norwood. James and Pat went to Detroit Friday night to watch kelby play baseball.

Mendy and Todd cole honored their mothers with a dinner Sunday. Attending were James and Pat Norwood and Danny and

Jency Cole.

Sunday guests of Darold and Ida Mae Norwood were Del, John and Zak Walker.

Geneva Norwood and L'Wanda McKnight presented Mother's Day Programs at the Mission Manor in Mt. Vernon Thursday, and the Sterling House in Paris, Friday. Geneva did programs for the Parkview Nursing Home Wednesday, the Paris Health Care Friday and the Paris Nursing, Home Monday.

Marie Watson has spent the past week in the hospital. Her family has been visiting her all week. She had a room full Mother's Day bringing her cards and gifts.

Sunday dinner guests of Talma Norwood were Pam, Jimilyn, Jay Kurt and Jerika McKee, Jamie, Teresa and Set Smith, Kelty Mowery, Henry and Margie Ford, Sonya and Doris Elmore and Julie Norwood.

Georjeana Nutt honored Neva Oats, Raylene Nutt, Geneva Norwood, Georgia Oats and Marsha Oats with a Mother's Day Luncheon Saturday. Also attending were Brayden oats, Kaylee Lamb and her friend Heather.

Neva Oats attended the 20th Class Reunion of the 1982 Class of Rivercrest Saturday afternoon. This was her first class when she began teaching at Rivercrest in 1971.

Life Tabernacle Church honored their mothers with a catered meal Sunday. They also gave gifts to the oldest mother, Geneva Norwood, the youngest mother, Rachel Watson and the mother with the most children, Julie Norwood.

The Cunningham Fire Department and Community Center met Monday night. Plans were made to have a Farm Equipment and Trades Day Sale on June 8th and a Fish Fry on June 22.

Everyone has talent. What is rare is the courage to follow the talent to the dark place where it leads.
 -Erica Jong

Letters to Editor

Dear Editor,

Recently, it has been the trend to see many articles that begin... "You know you live in a small town when..." I would like to address my letter as "the good thing about living in a small town". There are many, many good things about living and raising a family in a town like Bogata or Talco.

I have been blessed to call Bogata home now for 25 years. In that time, I have experienced many happy events, housewarming, the births of my babies and high school graduations, just to mention a few. We have also gone through difficult times, the loss of parents and grandparents, and times when our children went through illness, injury and surgery. Never in any of those times did I have to wonder if anyone cared or was concerned about my family and me. I am proud to say that my community was there to support us in joy or sorrow. I have witnessed the way our school children have been encouraged through the years. That's just the nature of most people in a small town. They wouldn't have it any other way but to extend that "helping hand" and show of generosity. This outpouring of generosity was shown recently here.

If you were unable to attend the Rivercrest Education Foundation on May 4, you missed a treat. These communities really came out and supported this new organization by their attendance and by donations. With this one event, \$14,198.00 was raised for scholarships for our seniors here at Rivercrest. This banquet will be held annually and each year, all funds will go to provide scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 each to qualified Rivercrest graduating seniors. It is evident the communities of Bogata and Talco are interested in our young people and helping them obtain their goals in life. We can and should help them any way we can; they are our future.

There is a well known scripture in the Bible which reads "Raise up a child in the way he should go and he will not depart from it." By showing our young people that we believe in them and are willing to support them in these endeavors, we are setting an example for them that they in turn can pass on to their children. This is the good example of humanity and community volunteerism; an excellent cycle to continue.

Thanks to everyone who attended the banquet, bought auction items or gave a donation. Thanks to all the trustees who worked hard to plan this event. A special thank you to all of those who entertained us. Everyone on that stage was either a current or former student of Rivercrest High School. That shows loyalty and pride in your school. You are all appreciated.

And thank you Bogata and Talco for making me thankful that I live in a "small town".
Debbie Hare

Bogata Locals

(Call your news in at 903-632-5322. If the machine is on please leave a message)

Last weekend Jerry and Gerlyn Gray, Jessica, Danny and Marli Hines enjoyed camping at Pine Mill in Oklahoma. They report the weather was great, which made up for the poor fishing.

Helen Williams spent Mother's Day with Haletha and Granville Jones in Commerce. They enjoyed lunch at Sulphur Springs.

Mother's Day dinner guest with Randy and Barbara Gibbs were: John and Dorothy Townes, James and Pauline Gibbs, Jana, Heather, Haley and Hana Hawkins, Pamela McGuire, Lisa English, Shannon Gibbs, Shane, Michelle, Allison and Leah Gibbs, Bubba, Tiffany and Collin McGuire.

Visiting Dixie Stringfellow on Mother's Day were: Buddy Stringfellow of Bagwell, Jimmy Stringfellow of Blossom, Joe and Misty Stringfellow, Darren and Brent Higgins of Paris, Kenneth York of Rosalie, Kellen Stringfellow of Bogata, Danny Tabb and Judi Maddox of DeSoto. Calling to wish Dixie a "Happy Mother's Day" were Vicki Tabb of Miro, Wayne Stringfellow of Naples, Idaho, Mark Stringfellow of Dallas, Joy Lewis and Jimmel Stringfellow of Australia.

Ed and Loyce Huddleston spent the weekend and celebrated Mother's Day with their son, Ronnie and Faye Huddleston in Cornith.

Judy, Harold, Heather and Heath Holt, Jessica, Danny and Marli Hines, Jennifer and Riley Reeder visited their parents, Jerry and Gerlyn Gray Sunday for Mother's Day and cooked lunch for their mom. All enjoyed a nice afternoon.

Happy May Birthday to: Blake Waters, Bubba Abernathy, Bell Borders, Bill White, Kelly Freelen, Susan Guest, Fran Littrell, Carrine Alford, Michael Tabb, Judy Ward, Sara Reeves, Koren Hawkins, Rhonda Modesitt, Noah Alford, Ginger Foster, Kevin English and Donita Embrey.

Happy May Anniversary to: Ronald and Susan Simmons, Danny and Dianne McIntire, Rick and Cylene Holeman, Harold and Dana Neeley, John and Tasha Bell and Buddy and Bobbie Damron.

Dorothy Mauldin of Bogata spent Mothers Day with her son and daughter-in-law, Robert and Sandy Mauldin in Canton, Texas.

Also visitign there was her grandson and his wife and son, Robert Jr., Carrie and Jacob Thomas Mauldin.

TUESDAY

Lunch
Corn chip pie
beans
cheese sticks
salad
milk

FRIDAY

Lunch
Cheeseburgers
burger salad
beans
potato wedges or tots
ice cream
milk



2001-2002 Lady Rebel Golf Team members are; (from the left) Alison Foster, Nikki Burgess, Tiffani Cooksey, Rachel Case, Heather Hawkins and Kacey Van Deaver.

Lady Rebel golf team has successful season

The Rivercrest Lady Rebel Golf Team recently completed a very successful season. After finishing second in the Yantis Invitational Tournament and the Rivercrest invitational Tournament, the girls turned in good scores on the tough Mt. Pleasant Country Club Course to win the district championship.

Along with the team championship, Alison Foster was named first place medalist. The district championship qualified the Lady Rebels for the Regional Golf Tournament which was held at

the Peachtree Golf Course in Tyler.

Everyone struggled on a rain soaked course the first day but every member of the Rivercrest team came back to post lower scores in the second round of the 36 hole tournament. Though not qualifying for the state tournament, the Lady Rebels finished well and are looking forward to having all team members back next year. The team is coached by Superintendent, Dr. Gary Van Deaver.

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WEDNESDAY

Lunch
Chicken nuggets w/gravy
creamed potatoes
green beans
rolls
milk

THURSDAY

Lunch
Pizza
corn
salad
fruit w/topping
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Rivercrest Elementary Menus May 20-24

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Breakfast
Will vary each day
Lunch
Chicken salad sandwiches on white bread
potato wedges or tots
pork & beans
peach cobbler
milk

Fulbright News

By BETTY RODGERS
652-6051

Monte and Stephanie Rodgers and Melissa Kelley honored Betty Rodgers on Sunday with lunch in their home. Melissa and Gilbert Arriaga also ate lunch with them.

Weldon Campbell is in St. Joseph's South having tests.

Pete and Hazel Ybera had their granddaughter of Paris visited on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Duane King of Pat Mayse Lake, Mrs. Kyle King of Reno and Mrs. Stan Hurley and

Mikel of Bonham visited Jimmie King Wednesday. Dave and Kay German of Whitney came Friday and stayed through Monday. Saturday Jimmie, Kay and Dave visited Duane and Bobbie King of Pat Mayse Lake and ate at the fish Fry that night.

Betty Rodgers, Stephanie Rodgers, Melissas Arriaga and Melissa Kelley attended the swearing in of Gilbert Arriaga as Mayor of Deport at the City Council meeting.

Bonnie Huddleston and Billie Pirtle of Bogata visited Jimmie King, Kay and Dave German on Sunday.



DJ AND THE CUTHAND BOTTOM BOYS entertained at the Rivercrest Education Foundation banquet held last Saturday night. the group consists of Donna Jo Jessee, Stanley Jessee, Jim Purviance and Gary Cheatwood.

Do not love life? Then do not squander time, for that is the stuff life is made of
---Benjamin Franklin

Talco Locals

Please call your locals news in to 379-4445

Dorothy Savage is reported doing well following surgery to implant a pacemaker at Titus County Regional Hospital.

Letha Ann Sanders is a patient at Titus County Regional Hospital. She is reported undergoing test.

Mother's Day visitors with Nancy Brown were her children and grandchildren, Kim and Quinton Anderson and Jack, Jennifer and Jaden Brown of Powderly.

Eddie Brown visited Bobby Jack Brown in Quitman last week.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Smith, Russell and Melanie over the weekend were Jimmy and Gaylene Smith of Arlington and Leon and Sally Dunn and Aaron Smith of Lufkin. On Saturday the Dunn's and Aaron along with Betty Flournoy, Patsy Smith attended Melanie and her team, Talco Chill's, softball game in Clarksville. Chill won the game and following the Dunn's and Aaron, Patsy and Melanie Smith, Betty Flournoy, Nancy Brown, Cassandra Norman, Monica and Monique Savage, Jennifer and Kayla Morgan and Whitney Savage enjoyed lunch at Pizza Hut in Clarksville.

Decoration services were held at Cooper's Chapel cemetery Saturday. Several area residents attended.

Saturday, Jimmy and Gaylene Smith of Arlington attended her Rivercrest class reunion.

Johnny Mack and Joy Easley of Maple Curve and son Dane Easley of Mt. Pleasant, attended the graduation of their daughter and sister Kara Easley Heintz in Okla-

homa city on Sunday. Kara received her Juris Doctor Degree from the Oklahoma City University. Kara and her husband Aaron plan to stay in Oklahoma where she will practice law and her husband will continue his education in Veterinary school at Stillwater. Kara is also the daughter of Darlene and Jimmy Craig of Mt. Pleasant.

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MIRIEM RAMIREZ-and her teacher, Gayle Reeder display the 2nd place plaque Miriemi received at the Regional Soil and Water Conservation competition held in Jacksonville, Tx. Miriemi was the winner in the Red River County contest which moved her into the Regional competition. Congratulations Miriemi on your second place win! (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

There are two times in a man's life when he should not speculate: when he can afford to and when he can't.

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Donald Stockton to be honored

Donald Stockton, Rivercrest High School teacher will be honored with a retirement party on Thursday, May 23, 2002 at 7:30 p.m. at the Fish Fry in Paris. Mr. Stockton has taught history to Rivercrest students for 30 yrs., almost all of his 31 year career. His wife, Sandra is an elementary teacher at Rivercrest and the couple have one daughter, Donna and son-in-law, Matt Lammon. Donna will graduate from Texas A & M this weekend.

Also adding to the Stockton's joy is news of a grandchild expected in January.

Mr. Stockton has been a successful teacher at Rivercrest as well as with extracurricular activities such as the Debate Team. He will be missed by the staff and students next year but is wished a happy retirement by all! All Mr. Stockton's family and friends are cordially invited to join the celebration May 23.

Ice cream "Scoop Off" featured at Bogata Frontier Days

The Bogata Frontier Days will have a new event this year. The Community Fund of Bogata will host the first ever homemade ice cream contest called the "Scoop Off". Individuals, groups, families or anyone may enter their favorite homemade ice cream recipe to compete for prizes and the coveted title of "Best Ice Cream in North East Texas". Trophies will be awarded for "Best Vanilla", "Best Chocolate", "Best Strawberry" and "Best Original". Fol-

lowing the judging, all ice cream entries will be donated for \$1.00 per bowl with proceeds supporting the Bogata Community Charity Fund. The Community Fund assists residents of Bogata area who occasionally have needs for groceries, gas or utilities.

If you love homemade ice cream make sure to come early to Bogata for "Frontier Days", Saturday, June 29, 2002. Frontier Days is sponsored by Bogata Lions Club.

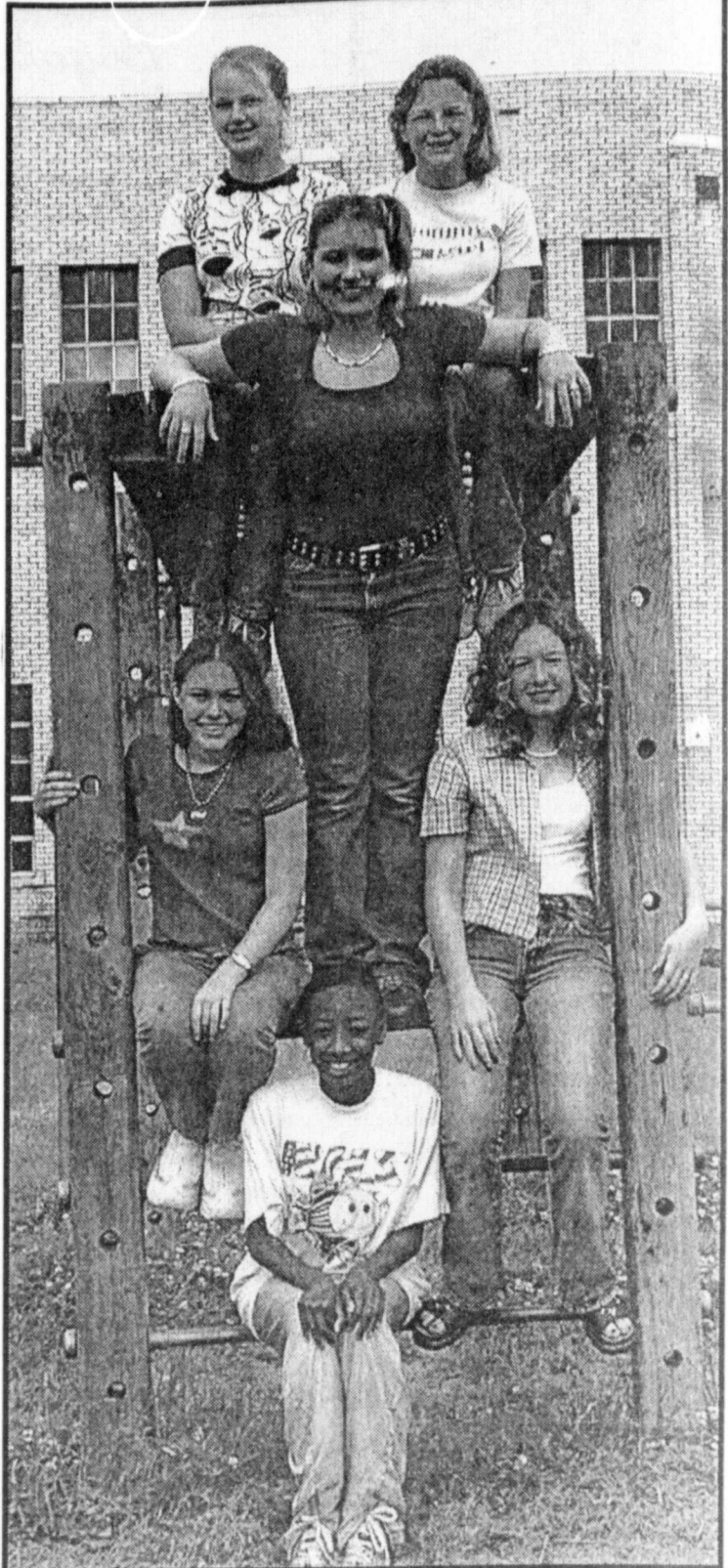
For further information or to receive a registration form call the Bogata United Methodist Church office at 903-632-5610. All entries must be in by Friday, June 21, 2002.

RRH preparing early for July 4th

Time is swiftly passing by and the 4th of July is right around the corner. Red River Healthcare will once again be sponsoring their annual Fireworks Display on Thursday, July 4, 2002 at dusk.

The display is made possible through the donations of area businesses and residents of Bogata. Donations are already being taken toward this year's display. Your donation will be appreciated to help make this year's display better than ever.

Donations may be sent to Darnell Davis, Red River Healthcare, P.O. Box 790, Bogata, Tx. 75417 or call 903-632-5293 and someone will be glad to pick up your donation. Red River Healthcare and the community appreciate your kindness and generosity.



2002-2003 JV CHEERLEADERS-Chosen as Rivercrest High School JV Cheerleaders for the coming year are; (top to bottom from the left) Mandy Crawford and Crystal Howerton; Micah Upchurch; Bailie Spencer and Erica Moreno and Cassandra Norman. Congratulations girls! (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Do all the good you can, by all the means you can, in all the ways you can, in all the places you can, at all the times you can, to all the people you can, as long as ever you can.

-John Wesley

Property Tax Protest and Appeal Procedures

The law gives property owners the right to protest actions concerning their property tax appraisals. You may follow these appeal procedures if you have a concern about:

- *the market or special appraised value placed on your property.
- *the unequal appraisal of your property.
- *the inclusion of your property on the appraisal roll
- *any exemptions that may apply to you
- *the qualification for an agricultural or timber appraisal
- *the taxable status of your property
- *the local governments which should be taxing your property
- *the ownership of property
- *the change of use of land receiving special appraisal
- *any action taken by the chief appraiser, appraisal district or appraisal review board that applies to and adversely affected you.

Informal Review: 903-427-4181
Red River Appraisal District
101 West Broadway
Clarksville, Texas

Review by the Appraisal Review Board
If you can't resolve your problem informally with the county appraisal district, (CAD) staff, you may have your case heard by the appraisal review board. (ARB).

The ARB is an independent board of citizens that reviews problems with appraisals or other concerns listed above. It has the power to order the CAD to make the necessary changes to solve problems. If you file a written request for an ARB hearing (called a notice of protest) before the deadline, the ARB will set your case for a hearing. You'll receive written notice of the time, date and place of the hearing. If necessary, you may request a hearing in the evening, Saturday or Sunday. Prior to your hearing, you may ask to review the evidence the CAD will

use to uphold their determination. The CAD may ask you for a copy of the evidence you plan to present. The hearing will be informal. You or a designated agent may appear in person to present evidence or you may send notarized evidence for the ARB to review at your hearing. The CAD representative will present evidence about your case. You may cross-examine the CAD representative. The ARB will make its decision based on the evidence presented. The CAD has the burden of establishing the property's value by a preponderance of the evidence presented. You can get a copy of a protest from the appraisal district office at 101 West Broadway, Clarksville, Texas.

Note: You shouldn't try to contact ARB members outside of the hearing. The law requires ARB members to sign an affidavit saying that they haven't talked about your case before the ARB hears it.

Review by the District Court
After it decides your case, the ARB must send you a copy of its order by certified mail. If you're not satisfied with the decision you have the right to appeal to district court. If you choose to go to court, you must start the process by filing a petition within 45 days of the date you receive the ARB's order.

Tax Payment
If you appeal and your case is pending, you must pay the lesser of the amount of taxes due on the portion of the taxable value not in dispute or the amount of taxes due on the property under the order from which the appeal is taken.

More Information
You can get more information by contacting your appraisal district at 101 West Broadway, Clarksville, 903-427-4181. You can also get a pamphlet describing how to prepare a protest from the appraisal district or from the State Comptroller's Property Tax Division at P.O. Box 13528, Austin Texas 78711-3528.

Deadline for Filing Protests with the ARB*

Usual Deadline
On or before May 31 (or 30 days after a notice of appraised value was mailed to you, whichever is later)

Late protests are allowed if you miss the usual deadline for good cause. Good cause is some reason beyond your control, like a medical emergency, the ARB decides whether you have a good cause.

Late protests are due the day before the appraisal review board approves records for the year. Contact your appraisal district for more information.

Special Deadlines
For change of use (the appraisal district informed you that you are losing agricultural appraisal because you changed the use of your land), the deadline is before the 30th day after the notice of the determination was mailed to you.

If you believe the appraisal district or ARB should have sent you a notice and did not, you may file a protest until the day before taxes become delinquent (usually February 1). The ARB decides whether it will hear your case based on evidence about whether a required notice was mailed to you.

*The deadline is postponed to the next business day if it falls on a weekend or holiday.



ACADEMIC JACKETS-will be awarded to, (back from the left) Aaron Palmer, Whitney Savage and Bailie Spencer and (front from the left) Jessica Griffin, Adam Horn and Monique Savage at the Rivercrest Junior High graduation ceremony on Thursday, May 23, 2002. All of the students held a 90 and above GPA. Congratulations students!!! (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

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15AA District softball players named

Megan Graham of Prairiland High School, a junior, was named the unanimous choice as District 15AA Softball Offensive Player of the Year. Named Defensive Player of the Year was Molly Hare, a Rivercrest High School junior.

First team selections included: Kara Screws, Prairiland, pitcher; Erica Williams, Rivercrest, catcher; Brittany Ballard, Prairiland, first base; Ashley Beers, Rivercrest, second base; Ashley Athas, Prairiland, short stop; Tina Carder, Rivercrest, out-

field.

Second team selections included: Jordan Hunold, Prairiland, second base; Lacy Beaty, Prairiland, outfield; Britney Martin, Prairiland, designated hitter.


Honorable mentions went to Sarah Bolton and Amanda Nichols of Prairiland and Rachel Case from Rivercrest.

Academic teams were named as: Brittany Ballard, Megan Graham and Lacy Beaty, Prairiland; Molly Hare, Erica Williams and Shari Wisinger, Rivercrest.



SECOND TEAM ALL DISTRICT-honors went to Rivercrest Rebel baseball players, (from the left) Matt Ross, outfielder; Josh Cabell, pitcher and Zach Perry, 2nd baseman. Congratulations boys!! (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

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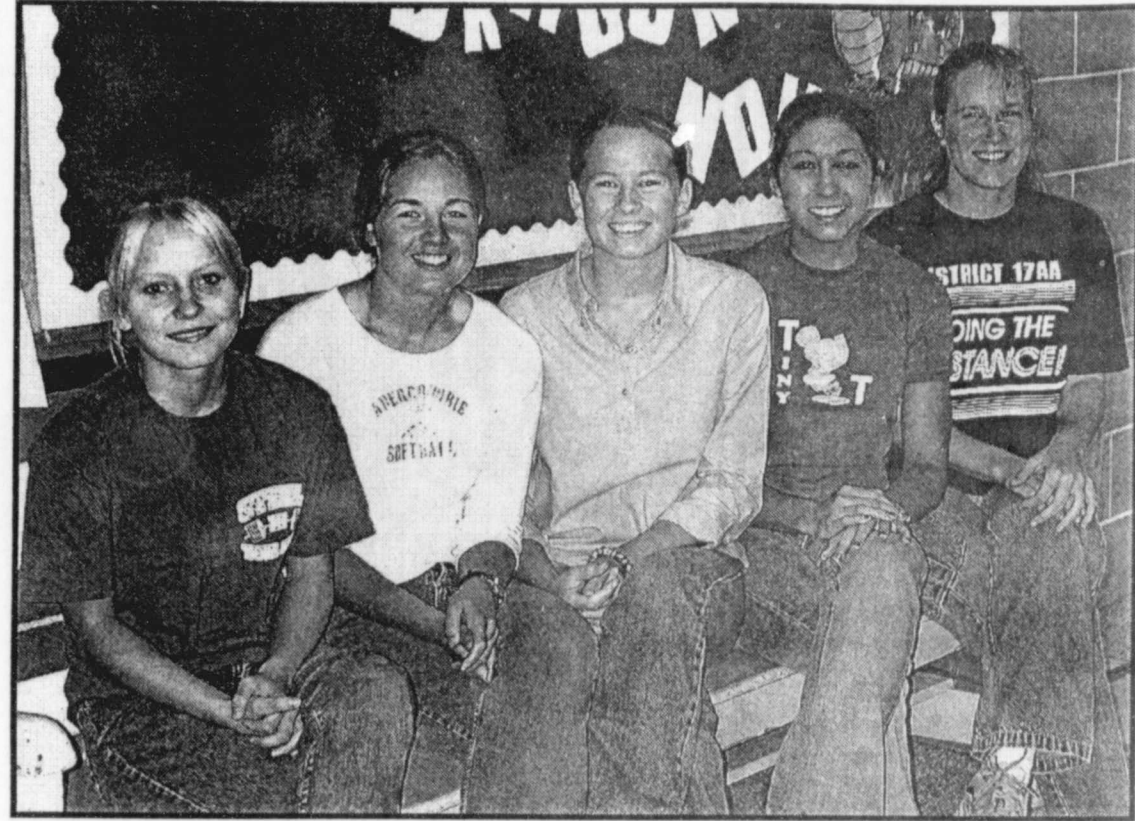


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ALL DISTRICT HONORS-Lady Rebel softball players receiving All District honors are; (from the left) First Team Outfielder-Tina Carder; Defensive Player of the Year-Molly Hare; Honorable Mention First Base-Rachel Case; First Team Second Base-Ashley Beers and First Team Catcher-Erica Williams. Congratulations girls!! (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

RHS Cheer Camp

Friday, May 31, 2002 Rivercrest High School Cheerleaders will host a Cheer Camp from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at RHS gym.

The cost of the camp will be \$20 and each participant will receive a T-shirt. The camp is open to Kindergarten through students entering 6th grade next year. Entry forms and money must be turned in by May 20, 2002. Checks should be made to Rivercrest High School. Entries may be mailed to: Rivercrest High School, Rt. 1 Box 253, Bogata, Tx. 75417. Entry forms may be picked up at Rivercrest or contact Lori Franks at 632-5204.



ALL DISTRICT HONORABLE MENTION-honors were received by Rivercrest Rebel baseball players, Nathan Carroll, pitcher; Ryan Newton, catcher and Ryan Hawkins, first baseman. Congratulations boys!! (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Sign-up time for Bogata Rodeo Queen contest

The 53rd annual Bogata Rodeo will be held June 27-28-29, 20002 with action beginning at 8:00 p.m. nightly and it is time for all the young ladies to sign-up for competition in the annual Bogata Rodeo Queen Contest. Serving a coordinator for this year's contest is Tina Williams.

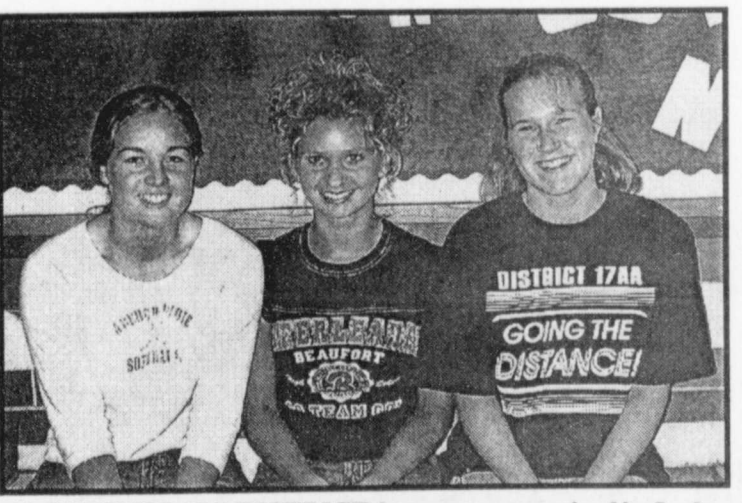
This year's winner will receive a "Twister" trophy saddle and contestants will receive "Red

Bluff" buckles which will be sponsored by James Hodge Motor Co. For more information or to enter the race call Tina at 903-632-4922 or 632-9972. Deadline for entries is May 27, 2002. Young ladies within a 75 mile radius of Bogata are invited to enter. Those outside the radius but having a parent, step-parent or grandparent within a 10 mile radius of Bogata may also enter.

Red River Healthcare

Recent visitors with residents of Red River Healthcare were:

- Resident, Hontas Pettit-Linda Pettit.
- Resident, Eleanor Foxworthy-Alma Davis.
- Resident, Willie M. Topping-Norris Phipps, Lucille Topping and Taylor, James and Joyce Ward and James A. Watts.
- Resident, Kathryn Presley-Charlotte Brumalaw, Cecil, Heather and Dayka Presley, Jim Presley, Mary Ann Clancy, Ronnie and Marilyn Presley.
- Resident, Vernona Young-Ruby Jordan, John W. Young and Bobbie Byrd.
- Resident, Gladys Tucker-Nelda Maynard and Clifton Tucker.
- Resident, Stasha Hume-Weldon Hume.
- Resident, Mary Duke-W.B. Duke.
- Resident, Nannie Smith-Heather Clemons.
- Resident, Billie Hancock-Shirley Smith, Bob Guess, Billie Lewis and Cecil Anderson.
- Resident, Aurelia Mitchell-Gloria and Jackie risinger, Martha McCall and Jimmy Mitchell.
- Residents, Floyd and Bonnie Elson-Linda and Clarence Diggs, Heather and Mike Finidori.
- Resident, Bob Massey-Tana Guest.
- Resident, Dorothy Watkins-Tony Watkins.



ACADEMIC ALL DISTRICT-honors were received by Lady Rebel softball players, (from the left) Molly Hare, Shari Wisinger and Erica Williams. Congratulations girls!! (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

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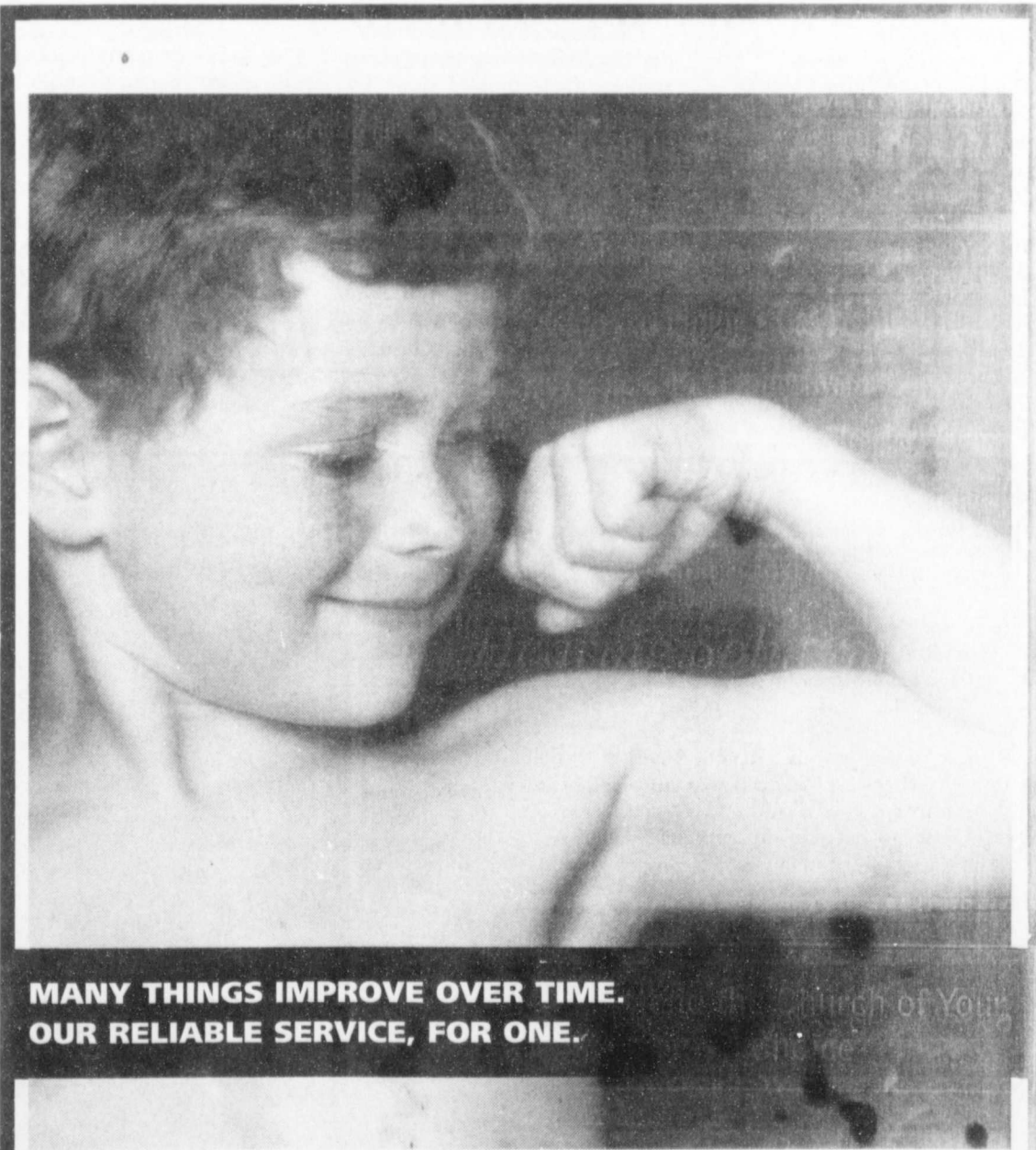
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COUNTY FAIR DAY-Red River Healthcare staff dressed the part for County Fair Day held at the facility on Tuesday. Residents and staff enjoyed displaying handmade crafts and a hot dog with all the trimmings lunch in celebration of National Nursing Home Week.. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

RRH to celebrate National Nursing Home Week

There will be a lot of things going on at Red River Healthcare next week in celebration on National Nursing Home Week, May 12-18.

Sunday will start off the week with a Mother's Day Reception from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Monday morning there will be the Balloon Lift Off and Egg Toss and Relay with a Staff and Resident Skit on the afternoon.

Tuesday is County Fair Day with fair booths setup in the Chapel and hot dogs and all the fixings for lunch.

Wednesday will be a Baked Potato Party at noon and a Staff

"No Talent Show" in the afternoon.

Thursday will be 1950's Day with a Sock Hop at 6:30 p.m. and a special appearance by Elvis at 7:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to come and watch as he performs moves only Elvis can make and sings as only Elvis can.

Friday there will be a Picnic out in front of the facility and kite flying afterwards.

Red River Healthcare is very excited about all the events planned and invites the community to come out and share the fun and festivities with the staff and residents.

Charla Hines competes well

by Coach Debbie Williams

Charla Hines made the finals in the 400 meter at the Region III Conference 2A Track & Field Meet with a 63 preliminary time.

Charla's goal had been to make the finals and she expected a lot from herself and this is part of the reason she has been successful as a Lady Rebel: high expectations.

On Saturday, Charla ran in the finals and finished with a 62.7 a time she had run in the district meet, but there was a wind factor

Saturday which made her time better.

Charla is in the top 32 in the State of Texas in the 400 meter run and has had a very successful season and year. Charla has represented the Lady Rebel program in so many positive ways though the years.

Charla, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Hines of Fulbright is a senior at RHS and will be missed next year.

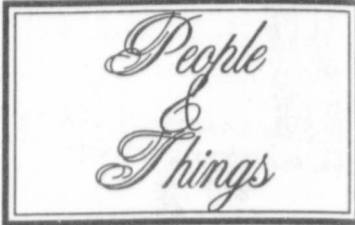
Duffer's a housewarming with housewarming

On April 13, 2002 a housewarming was held in honor of Kenneth and Phyllis Duffer. Hostesses were Tricia Bradley of Bismark, AR., Belinda Mauldin of Hurst and from Bogata, Linda Eilers, Kim Fields, Margie Garrett, Linda Gray, Tana Guest and Zelta Mauldin.

Attending were: Sue Duckworth and Jim Mauldin of San Antonio, Jerry and Belinda Mauldin of Hurst, Susie Fowler of McCaskill, AR., Lorene Duffer, Bobbie and LeRoy Robinson of Irving, Yvonne Powell of Carrollton, Cheryl and Elizabeth Sidler from Plano, Charles and Delinda Adams, Rocky and Yolanda Lane from Douglasville, Tricia and Casey Bradley of Bismark, AR., Peggy Carr from Paris and Marie Carr of Deport. From Bogata the hostesses and

Marty, Jody and Jackie Gray, Charles and Valree Guest, Peggy and Carla Belcher, Bea and Tom White, Marty Woodall, Neva Dell Harville, Donnie and Robert Guinn, Kenneth Kelley, Bernice and James Beers, John Smith, Rachel Arp and Todd Duffer.

The couple received some wonderful gifts including a hand made stained glass picture done by Belinda Mauldin and a hand made quilt tree made by Charles Guest. One of the highlights of the day was the live rooster presented by Jim Mauldin and Sue Duckworth that promptly left his calling card on the kitchen floor and then ran outside! The Duffers enjoyed looking a pictures of the event taken by Tana Guest. Following the housewarming a fish fry was enjoyed by all.



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-903-632-5214.

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.

May 22

The Rivercrest Elementary Pre-K through 2nd grade end of year Music Program will be presented under the direction of Mrs. Neva Oats beginning at 1:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Parents, grandparents, family and friends are invited to attend.

May 23

The Rivercrest Elementary 3rd through 5th grade end of year Music Program will be presented under the direction of Mrs. Neva Oats beginning at 1:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Parents, grandparents, family and friends are invited to attend.

May 23

The Rivercrest Junior High Graduation Ceremony will be held at Rivercrest High School Auditorium beginning at 8:00 p.m.

May 24

The Rivercrest High School Graduation Ceremony will be held in the auditorium beginning at 8:00 p.m.



Caleb Grant Thomas

New Arrivals

Caleb Grant Thomas arrived on March 20, 2002 at 5:44 p.m. weighing 6 lbs. and 14 ozs. and was 19 inches long. Parents are Steven and Melanie Thomas and brother, Jacob Lane Thomas of Texarkana, Arkansas. Grandparents are Larry Woodle and Sherry Davidson of Bogata and George and Vickie Thomas of Fouke, Arkansas. Great grandmother, Velma Woodle of Bogata and Great grandfather, M.A. Thomas of Fouke, Arkansas.

Senior parents seeking donations

The parents of Rivercrest Seniors will be collecting donations for the after graduation lock-in held annually.

This year the school is not sponsoring the lock-in and the parents need your help to furnish gifts, games, food and fun for the lock-in.

Each year many high school graduates are killed traveling to or from parties, some where alcohol and drugs are supplied. Please help these parents keep their children safe by giving them a sponsored party where fun and food are the main items of the evening.

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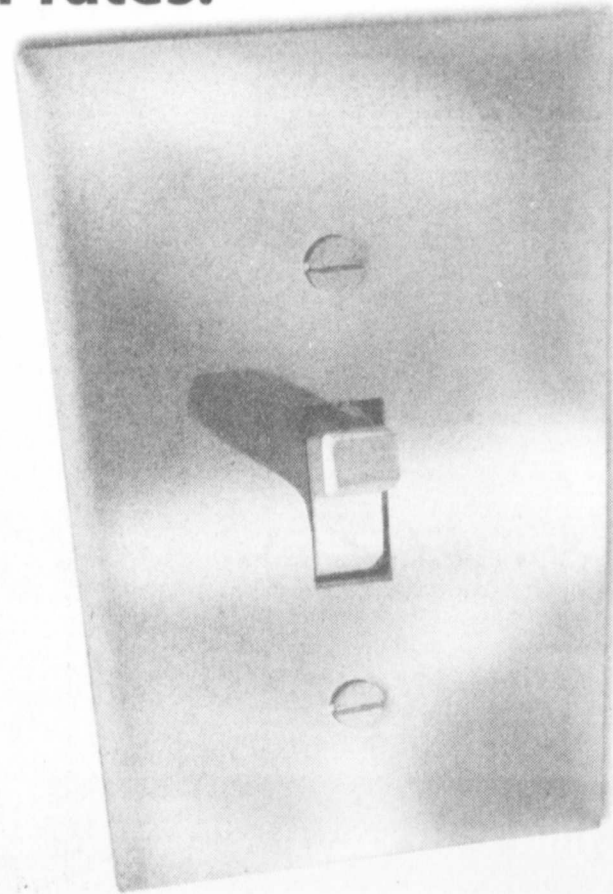
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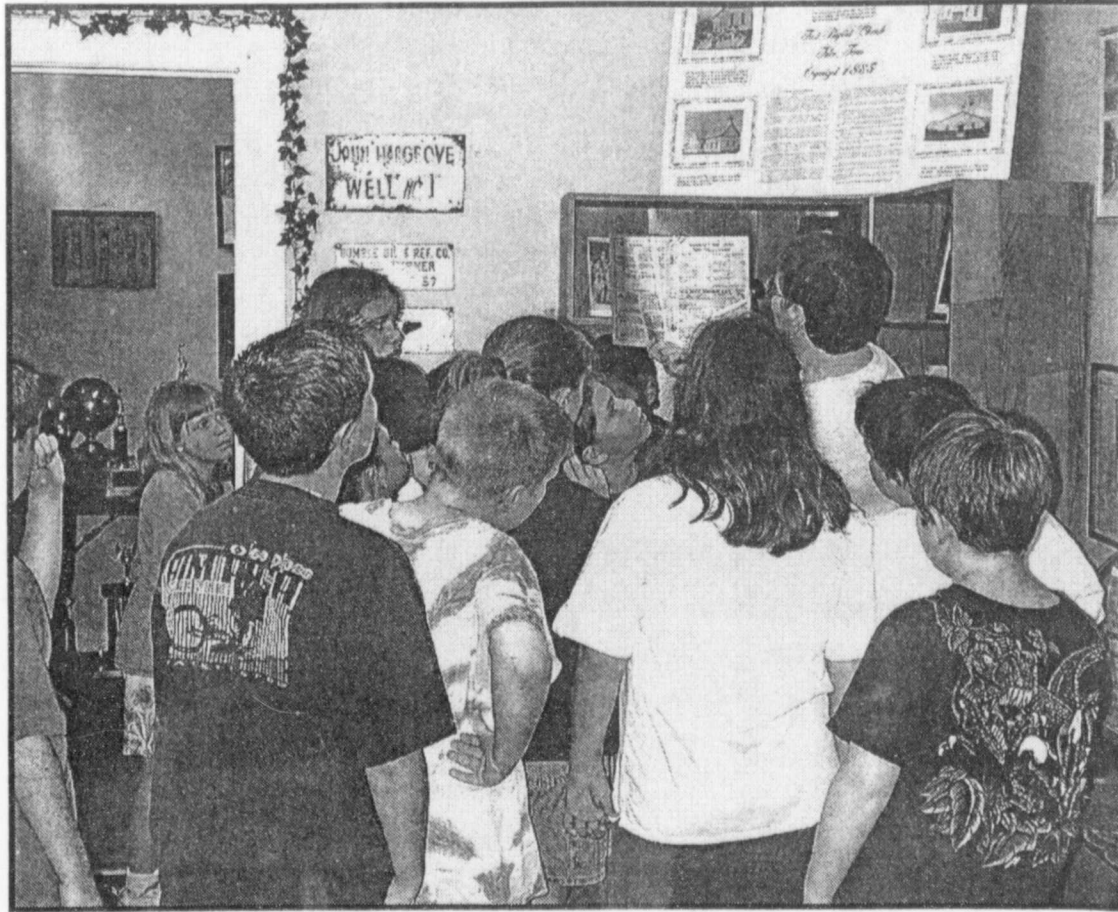
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RIVERCREST ELEMENTARY-fourth grade classes visited the Talco Historical Museum on Wednesday morning. Jane Holmes is pictured giving the children a tour of the facility. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Bogata FBC "Lunch Bunch" meets

The Bogata First Baptist Church "Lunch Bunch" met on Tuesday, May 7 in the fellowship hall of the church for their monthly lunch and fellowship.

Attending were Raymond and Lou Ada Franklin, Glen and Alice Ann White, Roy and Shirley Hend-

erson, Rick Holeman, Frances Lee, Paulynne Gibbs, Esther Tillman, Carol Van Deaver, Mary Ellen Kain and Maurine Mankins.

The group meets the first Tuesday of each month. In June they plan to enjoy a picnic at the home of Glen and Alice Ann White.

Pet Week observed

In celebration of National Pet Week, May 5-11, Red River Healthcare had some special guests. The staff and residents were visited by Pepper and Taco, the cool chihuahuas; Spike the bird and others. The extra special guest was Buttons, the miniature pony. Residents enjoyed visiting with all the animals and a big thank you is extended to their owners for bringing them. Pictured with Buttons is resident, Susie Ferguson.



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D&D COLLECTIBLES: 303 Monroe, Deport. Open first and third Thursday, Friday and Saturdays of each month. 8 a.m. 'til 2 p.m. *MA t/c*

THE GARAGE SALE, 310 E. 9th @ Washington in Mt. Pleasant, is closed on Mondays. 903-572-3700 *MA t/c*

FOR SALE: Proforma Crosswalk MX treadmill with heavy duty motor, like new, \$600; half bed, excellent condition, \$50. 903-632-0141 or 632-5198. *MA 5-16*

"BLUE STUFF" now at Blossom Superette. Pain relief guaranteed, arthritis, tension & stress, sports related pain, lower back pain. 903-982-4444. *MA 5-16*

Real Estate
FOR SALE: Meadowbrook Gardens Cemetery, Lot 90, Section F, spaces 3 and 4. Both lots for \$500.00. 903-652-6052. *t/cnc*

FOR SALE: 25 acres, 3 miles east of Deport on FM410. Road frontage, 903-784-2870 or 982-5270. *MA t/c*

NEWER BRICK apartment for rent. 2BR, 2B, CH/CA, range and microwave, laundry room in apt. No pets. Rent \$350 per mo, \$300 deposit. Call 903-379-4793 or 379-9161. *MA t/c*

FOR SALE: 2BR, 1B house in Talco. 903-572-4024 or 572-2992. *MA 5-23*

FOR SALE IN DETROIT: 9 1/2 acres with pond, good neighborhood. Great building site. 674-2229. *MA 5-23*

FOR SALE BY OWNER: 3BR, 2B, 2 car carport, large sunroom, lots of ceramic tile, covered patio, in-ground pool, 20x30 shop. On 1.9 acres in Bogata. 903-632-4709. *MA 6-13*

FOR SALE BY OWNER: 3BR, 2B frame & brick on 3 lots in Bogata. Hwy. 271 frontage. Also chest type freezer and Star Spinnet piano. June Stanley, 903-632-5441, please leave message. *MA 5-20*

Livestock & Ag Supplies
HAPPY JACK SKIN BALM: Relieves hot spots & scratching. Promotes healing & hair growth on dogs & cats without steroids. Available at Buckman Drug, 125 N. Main, Bogata, TX. *t/c*

FOR SALE: 300 gallon diesel fuel tank with stand. 903-652-5823 or 652-4205. *MA t/c*

GRAVEL FOR SALE: Ag lime and fertilizer sales and spreading. Dan Kelley, 903-632-1700. *MA t/c*

CHESTNUT STALLION: AQHA Dry Centralia, own son of Dry Doc. Stud fee \$350 plus \$4 per day mare care. Very gentle disposition. Mark Hare, 903-632-5150. *MA 5-16*

FOR SALE: 8hp Snapper mower, good condition, \$500. 903-632-5424. *MA 5-23*

FOR SALE: Good, gentle, 4-year old Limousin bull. 903-674-5718. *MA 5-23*

16 COWS & BULL for sale: Some pairs. 903-652-2477, leave message. *MA 5-30*

Business Services
MAKE DETROIT LOCKER Plant your one stop meat store. We have all cuts of beef and pork which we sell by the piece, quarter or side. All of our steaks are cut to order. We are an authorized distributor for Pilgrims Pride chicken. We also have catfish fillets, french fries, hush puppies & cooking oil to make your fish fry a success. We have freezer packs available with various prices to fit everyone's budget. We accept cash, checks, MasterCard, Visa, American Express & Lone Star cards. Located on Hwy. 82 in downtown Detroit. Call 674-6911 or come by for prices or more information. *MA t/c*

ROZELL TREE SERVICE: Tree trimming/removal, 70' bucket, stumps ground. Free estimates. Insured \$2 million. David, Neil & Russell Rozell, 903-632-5617. *MA t/c*

ROADRUNNER SELF STORAGE: Call Neil Rozell, 903-632-5752. Now 3 locations to serve you! A size to meet your needs. *MA t/c*

CHARLIE'S HOME REPAIRS: Small job specialist and trim carpentry, all types of wood fencing. 30 years experience. 903-784-3737. Pager 903-783-8608. *MA t/c*

TRI-COUNTY CONTRACTORS: 20 years experience in carpentry, painting, roofing and other types of contract work. Owners Terry & Josh Brown, 903-652-9805, home; 249-3456 or 249-3457 mobiles. *MA t/c*

JACK'S TREE SERVICE: Insured with reasonable rates, trees trimmed or removed. Brush clean-up and stump grinding. Edna & Jack Tucker, Detroit, TX. Home 903-674-4945, mobile 903-491-8321. *MA t/c*

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CALL BOOTS PLUMBING for all your plumbing and air conditioning needs. 903-632-5366, please leave message. M8341TXB004717. *MA 5-23*

DANNY'S DOZER SERVICE: Rt 1, Box 36A, Pattonville, TX. Free estimates. 903-632-3003 or 903-249-0981. Danny Lester, owner/operator. *MA 6-20*

Wanted
IMMEDIATE OPENINGS: Wanted: Certified Nurses Aides, 2-10 p.m. shift or 10 p.m.-6 a.m. shift. Call or come by Red River Healthcare, 632-5293, ask for Gloria or Vicki. *MA 5-23*

WANTED 10-20 acres, preferably with trees, paved road, no restrictions, sandy soil, priced reasonable. 281/354-6896. *MA 5-30*

I WOULD LIKE TO RENT a house in Pattonville, Deport or Blossom. 3 bedroom preferably or would take 2. Please call Cindy, 903-784-6911 or 903-784-1365. *MA 5-30*

Sales
CKACKLEBERRY'S: Crafts, angels, gifts, lawn furniture, Adirondacks. Hwy. 271 south, six miles from Talco. Open Thursday through Saturday or call anytime 577-7158 or 572-3825. *MA t/c*

PRESTONWOOD Flea Market, inside and outside spaces. Open Th-Fri-Sat-Sun, 8 to 6. Paris' newest flea market. Hwy. 19&21 S across from Chisum School. 783-1656. *MA 7-4*

GARAGES SALE: 307 S. Howison, Bogata. Two families. Friday, May 17, 8 to 5. Furniture, lots of what-nots. Billie Northcutt. 5-16

SPECIAL MISCELLANEOUS AUCTION: Tuesday at Stanley Store in Hagensport, May 21, 6 p.m. We've cleaned out our sheds, furniture, old glassware, books & more, also lots of new items, tools, dishes & more. For more info call 632-0956. Norwood Auction Co. #7994. 5-16

GARAGE SALE: Saturday, May 18, 8 to 5; Sunday, May 19, 8 to 3. 381 Clarksdale St., Deport. Lots of tools, furniture and building supplies, carpet, wood trim, chainsaws and generators. Too much to list. 5-16

Lost & Found
REMEMBER, we don't charge for free pets, or for your lost or found animals, we want them to have a home! Call 652-4205 or 632-5322.

LOST DOG: Black Lab female, missing since Saturday, answers to "Sadie". Call Michael and Kim Fields, 632-2024 or 632-5834. 5-30nc

Automobiles
FOR SALE: Morris Minor, body only, \$125.00 obo. 903-652-9986.

FOR SALE: 2000 Ford F250 Super Duty crew cab 4x4 Lariat. 62k miles, \$21,500. 632-4616. *MA 5-23*

FOR SALE: 1983 Ford F250, heavy duty 3/4 ton, one owner, 61k miles, \$3,500. Randall Mayes, 903-632-5466. *MA 5-30*

FOR SALE: 1993 Holiday Rambler camper. 33', good condition. 903-379-4121. *MA 5-30*

Free
FREE to a good home. Neutered Male Cat, declawed, loves kids, must go because of allergies. Call 652-3520 ask for Kay Rector.

WANT TO SELL YOUR STUFF- one call does it all. Call 652-4205 to place your classified ad in all five of these newspapers!

FREE PUPPIES: Six week old Border Collie cross. 632-9700. 5-16

Notice
TO THE LANDOWNER/OVERSEER of Lennox Lease and Sheriff. "May God show the same forgiveness and mercy to you that you show to others (II Cor. 2:10). *MA 5-23*

CAR WASH SATURDAY, May 18 on Faith Baptist parking lot in Deport, 8:30 to 2:30. \$10.00. 5-16

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Brittany Bull and guest

Brittany Bull honored with luncheon

Donnie Lewis, Donita Embrey, Shaunda and Niki Lewis honored Brittany Bull with luncheon on Saturday, May 11, 2002 to commemorate her graduation. Brittany and her guest were served Mexican food, chips, dip and for dessert, banana splits.

Those attending the luncheon were: Brittany's mom, Leah Bull, Jan Lewis, Elaine and Cara Morgan, Linda Gray, Paige Boyd, Danielle Easterling, Shari Wis-

inger, Charla Hines, Dusty Townes, Molly Moles, Cassie Perry, Kendall Stansell and Kayla Belcher. The group played games and enjoyed conversation and laughs. The girls are pictured from the left back to front: Charla Hines, Molly Moles, Cassie Perry, Paige Boyd, Kendall Stansell, Dusty Townes, Danielle Easterling, Brittany Bull, Shari Wisinger and Kayla Belcher.

Rebel Band Concert held

The Rivercrest Rebel Band will be in concert Sunday, May 19, 2002 beginning at 1:30 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

The high school and junior high bands will be performing. Everyone is invited to come out and enjoy the music and see the progress the Rebel Band has made this year. The group will be under the direction of Steven Moss.

First Baptist of Deport to be in Revival

First Baptist church of Deport will be in Revival Sunday, May 19th, through Wednesday, May 22nd, 2002. Sunday morning service will begin at 10:55 a.m., Sunday night at 6:00 p.m. and Monday through Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

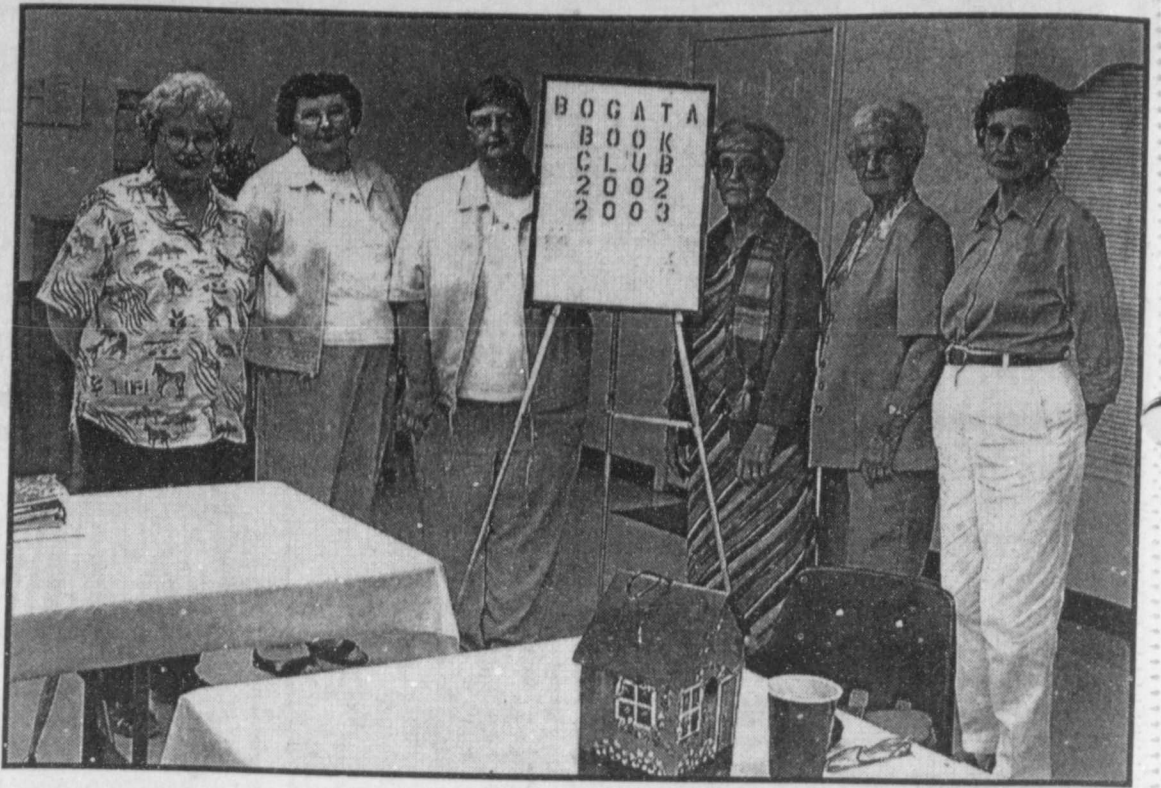
Evangelists will be Bro. Ronnie Daniell of Canton, Texas and Bro. Michael Daniell of Spring, Texas. Bro. Ronnie Danielle has pastored

Commodity distribution dates

East Texas Food Bank Commodities Distribution dates in Bogata for the coming months are as follows:

- May 28
- June 25
- July 23
- Aug. 20

The distribution site will be the First Baptist Church in Bogata.



THE BOGATA BOOK Club installed new offices for 2002-2003 at their meeting Thursday night. From left are: Mary Margaret Vaughn Historian; Mary Ann Williams, Treasurer; Nanalee Nichols, Reporter; Juanita Sparks, president; Betty Puckett, Vice President; Margie Myers, Secretary. (Staff Photo)

Bogata Book Club meets May 9

The Bogata Book Club met May 9, 2002 with Joyce Smith serving as hostess. Fourteen members enjoyed a delicious covered dish dinner. The quotation for the evening was "Reading is to the mind what exercise is to the body". The club collect, Pledge of Allegiance and to the American and Texas Flags and roll call was given.

Miriam Stephenson installed the officers for the ensuing term using

puzzle parts as the theme. She had constructed the puzzle using the club color of yellow as the background. Each officer placed a puzzle part to form the background. Every puzzle part fit snugly together to make a picture as each member is joined with the other to accomplish club goals.

The club dismissed until July. At that meeting a program planning session will be held.

Adopt a wild horse or burro

The U.S. Department of the interior Bureau of Land Management will have wild horses and burros up for adoption on June 22-23, 2002 at the Arkansas State Fairground in Little Rock, AR.

Requirements are a 12 x 12 ft. adequate shelter and 20 x 20 ft. corral space with sturdy fencing 6 ft. high for horses and 5 ft. high for burros. Adopters must have a solid constructed horse trailer,

preferably stock trailer and will need a halter and leadrope.

A great selection with lots of color are expected. Animals may be previewed on June 21 between 1:30 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. Applications are required and animals will be adopted by competitive bid the minimum being \$125.00. Admission is free. For more information call 1-88-274-2133 or (601) 977-5400.

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EGGS Grade A Large 59¢ Dozen	GOLDEN ROYAL MILK Gal. 2% & Homo \$2.99	TOWN TALK BREAD Large Loaf 69¢	NABISCO OREOS & DOUBLE STUFF OREOS 1 Lb. 4 Oz. \$2.69	PARADE BUTTERMILK BISCUITS 4/\$1
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