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In times of trouble

Did you know that in Great Britain and many European countries on the day of a funeral the family pays for a luncheon for those that attend the funeral? That's right...the family feeds the guests, not the other way around!

That's a pretty alien idea around here, isn't it?

The generosity and support of people in this part of the world during troubled times never ceases to amaze me.

When my mother-in-law began her final days with cancer recently it became necessary for two people to sit with her at all times. Twenty-four hours a day her children and grandchildren took turns by her side.

Soon, as that became known, food began to pour in. For the past three weeks it has been unnecessary for them to cook anything other than breakfast due to the amazing generosity of friends and neighbors.

After her death even more food has come in. Huge pans of barbecue, cold cuts, entire roasts, delicious vegetables, and desserts to rival the finest pastry cook's creations lined the cabinets. Since they are a big family, it has taken a large amount of food, but the citizens of Deport and the surrounding area have been more than equal to the task.

"Thinking of You" cards, sympathy cards, and telephone calls lightened some grim hours. Flowers and plants, memorials and donations have been given with a free hand and loving heart.

The funeral director was so familiar with my mother-in-law that he special ordered a casket that he felt would be appropriate.

What an alien idea for small towns and the south...that the FAMILY would have to feed the guests instead of the other way around!

It is impossible to imagine any part of the world where people can be more supportive and helpful than here.

When troubles come, give thought to the amazing generosity that surrounds you. It is an eye-opener.

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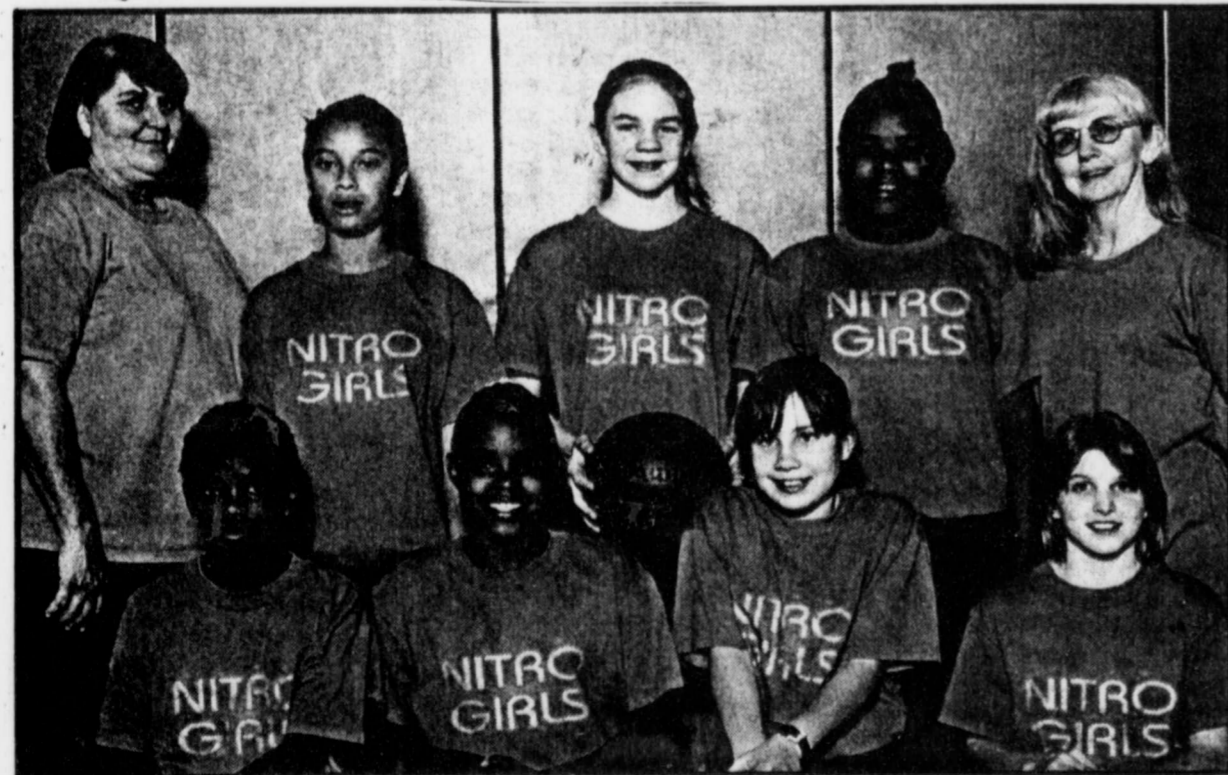
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NITRO GIRLS- Rivercrest Youth Basketball team members grades 5th and 6th from Talco are: (from the left back) Coach Nancy Brown, Whitney Savage, Cassie McCuller, Monica Savage and Coach Carol Laing; (front from the left) Tracy Galloway, Monique Savage, Jesi Navia and Erika Jones.

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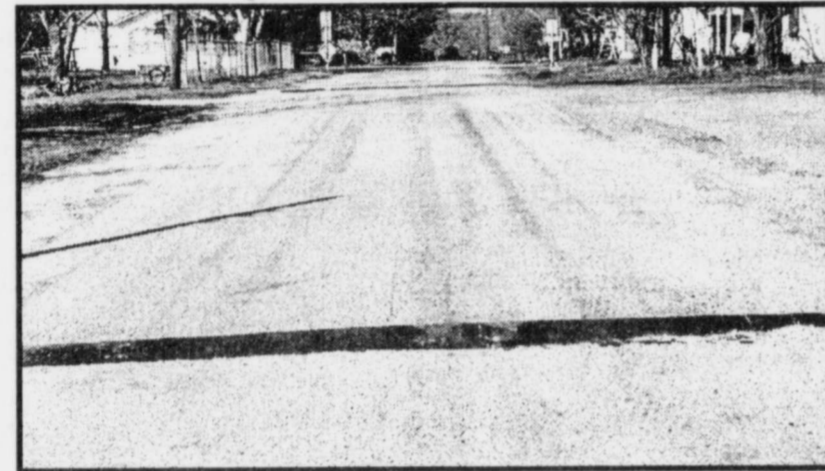
About the Forestry Incentive Program

By Steve R. Smith
District Conservationist

The Natural Resources Conservation Service, Temple office has recently received monies for the Emergency Forestry Incentive Program Fund. These funds will be available to any landowner in Red River County that have had planting losses in the past two years due to drought, fire or etc. To be eligible, landowners could have previously planted under the Forestry Incentive Program (FIP), Texas Reforestation Foundation (TRE) Program, or without cost share assistance. Landowners who wish to

participate in the emergency program must produce proof of seedling planting within the last two years. These seedlings must have suffered significant losses. The dollars in this emergency program cannot be used for new plantings. The sign-up for the Emergency Forestry Incentive Program (FIP) Funds, began March 1, 1999 and will end on April 30, 1999.

For those who are interested in replanting their pine seedlings, please contact that local NRCS office at (903) 427-2975 or stop by our office at 1606 East Main Street, Clarksville, Texas.



SPEED REDUCTION-The City of Talco has added speed bumps in front of and on the streets leading to the Talco School. The bumps will be of value in slowing the traffic near the school and provide protection for the students every morning and evening. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Martha Hare is named Woman of the Year

Martha Dickson Hare was named Franklin County's 1998 Woman of the Year at the annual Franklin County Chamber of Commerce Awards and Membership Banquet Saturday, March 6, 1999.

Mrs. Hare has a long history of community service. Her latest efforts have been to organize the Franklin County Genealogy Association. It began as a committee with the Historical Association, but now more than 86 members.

In 1994, Mrs. Hare initiated the start of petitions to the State of Texas seeking toll-free access from the Northern portion of Franklin County, which is on the Bogata telephone exchange, to Mount Vernon and other surrounding communities. She continued the struggle marked by mileposts of success. Her area received toll-free access to Mount Vernon and Talco in 1995.

She was on the steering committee formed in February, 1968, which worked to found the North Franklin Water Supply Corporation. She also served as the Corporation's secretary from 1968 to the time the corporation became a part of the Cypress Springs Water Supply Corporation in March, 1998.

Mrs. Hare was born three miles north of Mount Vernon at a point still known as "Dickson Hill," on the northern edge of White Oak bottom at Hwy. 37. She is the daughter of Clay Dean Dickson of Mount Vernon and the late Beatrice Williams Dickson.

She graduated from Sulphur Bluff

High School in 1951, after being captain of the only Sulphur Bluff High School girls basketball team to advance to state competition. The team's state record still stands as the lowest composite score for a championship game.

She married I. H. Hare, Jr. on December 20, 1950. The couple made their home and built a thriving dairy operation in the Hagansport Community of Northern Franklin County. The Hares, together with their son, have a second dairy in Hopkins County, and other farming interests in Red River County.

The couple have three children and seven grandchildren, Deaneth Hare Stanley (Mrs. Van Stanley) and children, Jody Stanley and Deanna Stanley Alden, (Mrs. Mike Alden), all of Hagansport Community; Mark Hare and wife, Debbie, and children Katie, Molly and Sara, all of Bogata; and Marcia Hare Slack (Mrs. Tom Slack) and children Lacy and Bliss, all of Tyler.

Mrs. Hare is a member of the Franklin County Chamber of Commerce, and a member of the Board of Directors of the Franklin County Historical Association. She also is a member of Mount Olive Baptist Church in Hagansport.

She has worked with the Mount Vernon Independent School District's FFA Chapter, as well as supported other school related organizations. Before the group dissolved in 1990, it used funds to purchase and train the first K-9 member of the Franklin County Sheriff's Department.



QUILTS and more quilts. Jayne King, pharmacist, has turned quilting into a hobby which has carried her through good times and bad, and created heirlooms for family and friends to treasure. Some of the quilts she has here include her first quilt, which features cats and kittens, a daffodil quilt done in tiny little squares, a wall hanging quilt with two cats at a window and more. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)

Creation of quilts becomes pharmacist's "sanity"

By Nanalee Nichols

Like many women, one of Jayne King's first memories is of sitting under the quilting frames being allowed to push the needle up through the fabric while her mother and grandmother, pushed it back down to her. It was one of her first introductions to the art of quilting, but she was an adult with two children before she really began to take up the skill seriously.

Jayne, a native of Annona, and husband Dicky, a native of Fulbright, grew up with many of the traditional "country" skills that sometimes seem to be a dying art. Sewing was a part of Jayne's childhood, because her parents, Travis and Edith Bishop, had three girls.

She sewed lots of doll clothes and little doll quilts as a child, but she didn't try a quilt until 1994.

"My mother loved to talk quilts...we were always talking about doing this kind of a quilt, or that kind, or even buying the material for one, but somehow it never really happened" Jayne smiles.

But, in 1994, Jayne decided she was really going to do a quilt. She bought fabric, and a pattern which featured kittens.

Both she and daughter Ne'Leigh adore cats, so that was a natural choice.

On Sunday afternoons at her parent's home in the country near Annona, Jayne and her mom would cut out the pieces to the quilt, and her dad would applique the cats onto the quilt blocks.

"Daddy wasn't feeling well at all. He didn't have the energy to go check on his cows, or work the garden or anything, but he seemed to enjoy doing this applique work on the machine" Jayne recalls. He began appliqueing sweatshirts and tee shirts and all manner of things. But, when it was discovered he had a heart condition and underwent heart surgery, all that changed.

"Daddy became active again and now we can't get him NEAR the sewing machine" she says "We've even threatened to stop up his arteries again so he'll help us sew!"

That first quilt was a success, and of course, soon she had to make her son Jeff a quilt. It features the Texas Flag. Well, that quilt set off nieces and nephews. They all began wanting quilts.

Jayne is a pharmacist. She works Fridays at Talco Pharmacy in Talco, and Thursdays at Buckman's Drug Store, Inc. in Bogata.

Talco Pharmacy is small enough that she doesn't stay tremendously busy, so she frequently takes her sewing machine and quilting along with her. Now, almost everyone who comes in the store has to see what she is

working on, be they older ladies and gentlemen, or a younger generation.

Almost everyone has a "quilting" memory, about social afternoons quilting under shade trees before air conditioning, or quilting at the church to raise funds for some project.

Jayne is a perfectionist, and she will redo a quilt block until it is absolutely perfect. She has basically been self-taught.

She is delighted at the recent resurgence in quilting. When she first began she says there were only a few patterns and books available, but now there has been a proliferation of books, quilter's magazines and shops selling all manner of fabrics. Like good quilters for centuries 100% cotton, washed and dried before it is ever cut to go into the quilt is the best.

"The ladies at the Annona Baptist Church usually quilt my full sized quilts for me. They tease me that no one will be able to sleep under them because my colors are so bright" Jayne grins, since she favors bold and jewel-tone colors, unlike many older quilts which were more pastel.

Jayne's mother began to be her number one fan, she found stashes of old patterns handed down for generations, including one she had saved from a "Progressive Farmer" magazine from years before which the mother and daughter worked on together. Then, there was the "buzzard" quilt. Edith ordered a pattern for a hummingbird quilt, but when it arrived the hummingbirds were absolutely enormous. Edith and Jayne hated it on sight, but Edith wanted to know what to put down for the reason for returning it. Jokingly Jayne says "tell them it looks like buzzards instead of hummingbirds". That's exactly what her mother did!

Jayne is fascinated at the complexity of the old patterns, which feature intricate geometry yet were designed by women living hard lives in hard times, and who frequently possessed little formal education.

At her home in Reno Jayne has a room devoted to her hobby. Cutting board, machine, rotary cutter, racks for thread and a "felt" board to place pieces on for color comparison, color wheels and a wide variety of other items are side by side with her computer...which she also brings into the quilting action! Patterns and supplies can be found on the internet, plus there are computer programs very useful in planning or designing a quilt. It's a fascinating mixture of combining high tech with one of the most ancient of skills!

Among her creations are table runners, a reversible quilt called "Hands All Around" which is from the Seminole Indians, a butterfly quilt for great-niece Mica, a number of flag quilts, a gorgeous American Eagle quilt she made for her husband, two cats sitting on a fence, a silhouette of cats in the moonlight (these are wall hangings); a sun quilt, a swallow quilt and even a quilt with turtles on it which swim dreamily through rippling fabric "waters". The last is for Mica's new-born baby brother, Miller. Jayne works at Wal-Mart Pharmacy some days, as well as at the Paris Cancer Center. Once Wal-Mart employees gave her the gift of hand signed and

"They even found fabric with happy faces on it for me to use to put the quilt together" she recalls. Quilting is her sanity, she says. Several years ago the Kings remodeled their house and were living in a tiny camper trailer in the front yard. Her sewing machine and quilting things were stored at the back of their garage behind mounds of furniture. "Dicky" she asked "can you get my machine out?"

"No, I don't think so" he said. "Well, it's either find a way to get it out or get my to a shrink" she replied. He found a way to recover the machine and she would sit on the floor on bare concrete, working on quilts while the construction workers worked around her. Soon, even they were interested and daily had to see her progress.

When her sister Betty was killed in a tragic car accident...Jayne and her mother quilted. When she is upset, she quilts. When she is happy, she quilts.

It is therefore fitting that when her mother was dying of cancer quilting became a major factor in dealing with it.

"My sister Barbara would cut out pieces, I would sew them and Mother pressed the seams for us, it was just about all she could manage to do, but it was very important to her to be able to do that" Jayne recalls.

The week before Edith Bishop's death last April, she was too weak to iron and her job became to "talk to you girls while you work". "I wish we could have gotten that quilt finished before she died" Jayne says, but she knows in her heart that finishing the quilt was not what was important, it was the love and sharing that went into every stitch, every pass of the iron. While that quilt is not the last one Jayne has done it will remain one of her most important, of course. It symbolizes what quilts have always represented...not just warmth and practical bed coverings, but the sharing, fellowship and love that goes into their creation.

Donations being taken for Luttrell family

A special fund has been established at the Guaranty Bank in Bogata for the Bobby Luttrell family. The family lost everything in a tragic house fire Sunday morning. Personal clothing sizes are: Bobby-shirt Lg/XLg; pants 36-34; shoes 12D. Dena-shirtM/Lg; pants 7-9/10; shoes 6-1/2 to 7-1/2. Brittany-

shirt 7-8; pants 8; shoes 13. Ryan-shirt 3T; pants 3T and shoes 7.

Clothing donations can be dropped at Marla and Michael Howard's residence at 107 W. 5th Street in Bogata or call 632-5926 and ti Wood Funeral Home or call 632-5614.

Transfer students to pick up forms

Parents interested in transferring students to the Talco-Bogata CISD should pick up transfer forms in the Superintendent's office by April 28, 1999.

Obituaries



Country Cooking
By Liz Irwin
http://www.1starnet.com/tp

This week's column deals with "Kopy Kat" recipes. These are recipes from famous restaurants and other eating establishments. I have found several that sound really good and you will have fun comparing yours with the originals.

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

"French Fried Onion" Dipping Sauce-Every store now has in stock the "apparatus" to slice, dice and cut the onions for this sauce.

Banana Cream Pie-Bananas and Oreos cookies... what a combination!

Fresh Chive and Bacon Dip-great

dip for chips and other goodies!

Black Satin Fudge Cake with Raspberry Sauce- Make sure your springform pan is water tight. If not, you will have a soupy mess! Always take that extra step to check.

Secret Sauce-very simple and quick to make!

Turtle Pie-YUMMY for your tummy! What a treat!

Barbecued Ribs-Coca Cola is the secret ingredient in this recipe!

Chocolate Chip Pecan Pie-another one of those fabulouse recipes that will make your mouth water just reading it!

March 18, 1999
Kopy-Kat Recipes

"French Fried Onion" Dipping Sauce

- 1/2 cup mayonnaise
- 2 teaspoons ketchup
- 2 teaspoons horseradish-cream style
- 1/4 teaspoon paprika
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon dried oregano
- dash ground black pepper
- dash cayenne pepper

Combine all ingredients in a small bowl. Keep tightly covered in refrigerator to use next day or for five days.

Banana Cream Pie

- 4 cups milk
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 stick butter
- 2 tablespoons cornstarch
- 4 eggs
- 4 egg yolks
- 1 tablespoon vanilla
- 4 bananas
- 8 Oreos
- 2 cups heavy cream
- 2 tablespoons granulated sugar
- 2 Oreo pie shells

Combine milk, 1/2 the sugar and butter and bring to a boil. Mix the eggs, yolks, remaining sugar, cornstarch and vanilla. Mix until smooth. Temper the egg mixture with the hot milk, slowly adding while whisking. Pour the tempered eggs slowly into the hot milk. Whisk vigorously. Turn the heat on high and continue to whisk until mixture thickens. Keep mixing the cream until it cools completely. Whip the heavy cream to soft peaks and fold into the base mix. Fill the Oreo shell with the filling and refrigerate. Fold in chopped bananas and crumbled Oreos.

Fresh Chive and Bacon Dip

- 3/4 pound raw fresh bacon
- 1-1/4 pounds cream cheese
- 1/4 cup minced red onions
- 8 ounces sour cream
- 1/8 cup fresh chopped parsley
- 1/2 teaspoon A-1 sauce
- 1 teaspoon fresh raw chopped garlic
- 1/2 teaspoon worchestershire sauce
- 1/8 cup fresh chives-cut

Chop bacon in food processor. Then cook in saute pan until fully cooked, drain on paper towels and cool. De-stem and chop parsley in food processor, reserve. In a mixing bowl mix all ingredients until smooth. Store in air tight container in refrigerator.

Black Satin Fudge Cake

- 1/3 cup raspberry preserves
- 12 ounces semi-sweet chocolate
- 1/2 pound butter
- 1-1/3 cup sugar
- 4 eggs
- 1 tablespoon plus 1 teaspoon flour
- powdered sugar
- raspberry sauce (see receipt)

Grease a 9-inch springform pan and line bottom with a parchment paper circle. Wrap outside of pan in aluminum foil to seal out water. Preheat oven to 325 degrees. Strain seeds from preserves by pressing through a wire-mesh sieve. Place preserves, chocolate and butter in a double broiler. Heat over medium heat stirring until melted. Remove from heat and in a large bowl mix sugar, eggs, flour. Add chocolate mixture; mix gently. Pour into pan. Place pan in a larger baking pan. Add about one inch of water to outside pan, forming a water bath. Bake at 325 degrees until top is dry and skewer comes out clean, about 45 minutes. If water evaporates, replenish. Let cool, unmold and turn upside down. Remove parchment paper. Place on serving plate and dust with powdered sugar. Serve individual slices with Raspberry Sauce.

Raspberry Sauce

- 1 pint fresh raspberries
- 1 tablespoon sugar
- 1 teaspoon frozen orange juice concentrate

Puree all ingredients in food processor. Strain seeds from sauce by pressing through mesh wire sieve.

Secret Sauce

- 1 cup mayonnaise
- 2 tablespoons Indian Relish-drained
- 1/2 teaspoon granulated sugar
- 2 teaspoon Thousand Island Dressing

ix ingredients well. Let stand for at least 20 minutes, allowing to sit overnight is desired.

Barbara McGregor dies March 15

Barbara McGregor, age 61 of Mt. Pleasant, died Monday, March 15 in Titus Regional Medical Center.

Services were held at Damascus Cemetery at 2:00 p.m. on March 16 with Bro. Horace Hammons officiating. Burial followed in Damascus Cemetery.

She was born March 4, 1938 in Palestine, a daughter of Roby and Gertrude White Smith. She was a nurses aide and was a member of the Baptist Church.

Surviving are her mother, Gertrude White of Bogata; a sister, Margaret Varner of Sulphur Springs; and a granddaughter, Joyce McGregor of Winfield. She was preceded in death by her father, Roby Smith; a daughter, Rebecca Netro; and a son, Donald McGregor.



Thomas D. Walker

Thomas D. "Bill" Walker dies March 2

Thomas D. (Bill) Walker, age 89 of Shallowater, died March 2. Services were held at Resthaven Funeral Home Abbey Chapel with Rev. Mitch Wilson, pastor of the Shallowater First Baptist Church officiating. Burial was at Resthaven Memorial Park.

Mr. Walker was born March 1, 1910 in Deport, the son of Wes and Nellie Park Walker. He moved to Shallowater from Deport in 1952.

He married Lillie G. (Jack) Davidson on December 18, 1929 in Hugo, OK. She died February 28, 1988. He was a musician and retired from Johnson Manufacturing in 1976. He was a member of the Shallowater First Baptist Church.

Two children, Wesley Morgan Walker and Shirley Ann Walker preceded him in death.

Surviving are two sons, Tom Walker of Shallowater and Gary Walker of Granbury; a daughter, Nancy Boone of Lubbock; two sisters, Nannie Smith of Deport and Alene Claypool of Amarillo; a brother, Harold Walker of Amarillo; nine grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Donald Arthur Kuempel dies March 12

Donald Arthur Kuempel, age 69 of Bogata, died Friday morning, March 12 at East Texas Medical Center in Clarksville.

Services were held at 4 p.m. Sunday, March 14 in Cuthand Methodist Church with Rev. Park Robertson officiating. Burial was in Cuthand Cemetery under the direction of Wood Funeral Home.

Mr. Kuempel was born November 15, 1929 in Chicago, Illinois. He was a retired truck driver and a 12-year veteran of the U.S. Marine Corps.

Surviving are his wife, Letha Duffee Kuempel of Bogata; two sons, Steven Kuempel of Dallas and Keith Kuempel of Kaufman; a stepdaughter, Sandra Martin of Garland; and a stepson, Bobby Martin of Dallas; and five grandchildren.

Mrs. Lauragene Lacey dies March 14

Mrs. Lauragene L. Lacey of Mena, AR died Sunday, March 14 in Mena Manor Nursing Home at age 76.

A memorial service was held at 10:00 a.m. Thursday, March 18 in Hall Memorial Chapel with the Rev. Gene Stacks officiating following cremation. Arrangements were under the direction of Hall Funeral Home of Mena.

She was born March 24, 1922 in Clovis, New Mexico, a daughter of Eugene and Ruby Abbott Lewis.

She moved to Mena four years ago from Willsboro, TX and was a dietitian for the Whispering Pine Nursing Home in Willsboro and a member of the Willsboro Baptist Church.

Surviving are two sons, Scott Morris of Mena and Brett Morris of Williamsburg, VA; a daughter, Shannon Rogers of Augusta, GA; and seven grandchildren.

Mary Helen Klepac dies February 26

Mary Helen Klepac, age 71, died Friday, February 26 in Paris Healthcare Center.

Services were held Tuesday, March 2 at Hilltop Memorial Gardens in Carrollton with the Rev. Tom Ford officiating.

Mrs. Klepac was born October 17, 1927 in Blossom, a daughter of Lee and Mary Cornell Jackson. She graduated from Blossom High School in 1944 and worked for civil service in the Pentagon for a number of years. She was a member of the Church of Christ in Paris.

She married Frank Klepac in 1961. She moved to Dallas and retired from civil service there. Her husband died in 1983.

Surviving is a daughter, Tracy Schwartzkopf and husband Michael; a grandson, Matthew Lee of Denton; a brother, Robert Lee of Lafayette, Indiana; and a sister, Edith Gurley of Paris.

She was preceded in death by her parents and three brothers, Albert, Billy and Joe Bailey Jackson.

Bocky Norman dies March 11

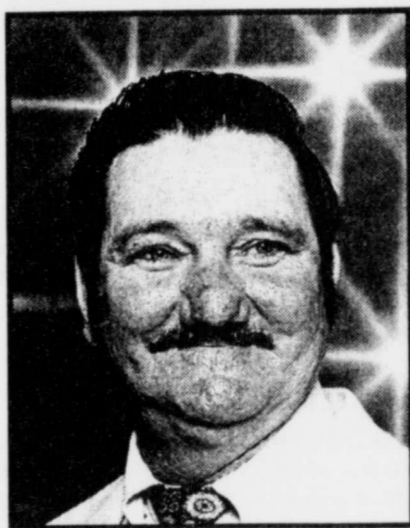
Bocky Norman, age 71 of Deport died March 11 in Deport Nursing Home.

Services were held Saturday, March 13 at 2:00 p.m. in the First United Methodist Church with the Rev. Sam Rice, the Rev. E. Sam Campbell and the Rev. Jim Benfer officiating. Burial was in Highland Cemetery under the direction of Wood Funeral Homes.

She was born March 30, 1927 in Deport, the daughter of Roger and Edna Norwood Bell. On September 16, 1940 she married Adelbert Norman in Deport. He preceded her in death on June 13, 1988. Mrs. Norman was a lifetime member of the First United Methodist Church and was retired from Campbell Soup.

She is survived by by her children and spouses, Abigail and Sammy Strickland and Dana and Terri Norman; four grandchildren, Phillip and Amy Strickland and Stephen and Amanda Norman, all of Deport; one great-granddaughter, Tristin Strickland; one sister, Tommie Cannon of Dallas; a brother-in-law, Mac Webb of Deport; and a sister-in-law, Faye Bell of Mesquite.

She was preceded in death by her father in 1962, her mother in 1995, her sister Regina Webb in 1997 and her brother, Bud Bell in 1996.



Gerald Haskell

Gerald Haskell dies March 16

Gerald Haskell, age 46 of Deport, died Tuesday, March 16 in Christus St. Joseph Hospital, Paris.

Services were held Saturday, March 20 at 2:30 p.m. in Wood Funeral Homes Chapel. Burial was in Highland Cemetery.

He was born June 2, 1952 in Minter, the son of Opal and Bessie Hunt Haskell. On June 2, 1995 he married Rayna Eckles. He was a member of the Bogata Church of God.

Surviving are his wife, Rayna of Deport; his daughter, Jennifer Lynn Carlisle of Paris; one granddaughter, Sara Lynn Carlisle; one brother, Larry Haskell of Deport; three sisters, Lillie Skyler of Tyler, Evelyn Enox of Blossom and Robbie Ward of Pecan Gap.

He was preceded in death by his mother on April 3, 1994; his father, February 21, 1995; and a brother, Chester Earl Haskell, July, 1937.

Joe Krusch dies March 9

Joe Krusch, age 74 of Talco died at his residence March 9.

Services were held March 12 at 10:00 a.m. at the Calvary Baptist Church with Glenn Connell officiating. Burial followed in Talco Cemetery under the direction of Curry-Welborn Funeral Home of Mt. Pleasant.

Mr. Krusch was born January 13, 1925 in Karnes City, a son of Felix Anton and Sophia Opiela Krusch. He was retired from Oil Exploration Crew, Petty-Ray GeoPhysical. He married the former Betty Jean Massey and was a World War II Army veteran.

Surviving are his wife, Betty Krusch of Talco; sons, Rick Roberts and wife, Carlene of Lake Charles, LA; daughter, Rhonda Brown and husband Jerry of Talco; a brother, Frank Krusch of Kennedy; sisters, Helen Kuller of Bismarck, ND and Dorothy Sawyer of San Antonio; five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Bearers were eShayne Roberts, Shannon Roberts, Clint Harper, Gary Krusch, David Krusch and Ricky Krusch.

Card Of Thanks

We wish to thank everyone for your prayers, cards, visits and acts of kindness during the illness of our loved one and for the beautiful flowers and food after his death. We appreciate your friendship and support.

Judy, Diane, George, Jr., Jimmy & Jerry Marshall



A public service of this publication.



Sudy May Nichols

Sudy May Nichols dies at age 81

Sudy May Nichols died Wednesday, March 10, 1999 at her home in Deport.

Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Sunday, March 14th at Wood Funeral Home Chapel in Deport with David Ham, and Tim Young officiating. Burial was in Highland Cemetery in Deport.

She was born July 28, 1917 at Lake Creek in Delta County, a daughter of Archie and Lizzie E. Reinhart Hunt.

She married James Nichols on August 25, 1933 in Cunningham, Texas.

She was a retired employee of the Prairiland Independent School District, where she worked for twelve years. She was a member of the Full Gospel House of Prayer in Deport.

Survivors include six children: Alene Penry of Garland; Aaron Nichols of Mt. Vernon; Sam Nichols, Mary Mantooth, Paul Nichols and Thomas Nichols, all of Deport; Sixteen grandchildren and thirty great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, James, in 1974, her parents, and one granddaughter, Mary Ruth Mannon.

Pallbearers were Chris Nicholson Ronald Nichols, Joe Penry, Craig Nichols, Mike Nichols, Charles Nichols and Honorary Pallbearers were Tim Wood and Mike Francies.



Oran Gerald Carpenter

Oran Gerald Carpenter dies March 11

Oran Gerald "Red" Carpenter, age 72 of Sumner, died March 11 at Christus St. Joseph Hospital, Paris.

Services were held Monday, March 15 at 10 a.m. at Detroit Cemetery with Benny Cogburn and the Rev. Michael Ryherd officiating. Interment was under the direction of Clarksville Funeral Home. Members of the American Legion served as bearers.

Mr. Carpenter was born September 25, 1926 in Detroit, a son of Sam and Sue McCracken Carpenter. He was a member of Martin Memorial United Methodist Church; was past president of the Detroit Lions Club, served on Reno City Council, and was a member of the American Legion Post #45. He was a security guard at Christus St. Joseph's Hospital and a veteran of the Merchant Marines and Coast Guard in World War II.

He married the former Miriam Helton on January 23, 1970 in Chicota.

He was preceded in death by one sister.

Surviving are his wife, Miriam Helton Carpenter; a son, A.J. "Joe" Culbreth, Jr. of Leander; daughters, Nanette Weimer of Pearland and Jenna Ormsbee of Sumner; a brother, John Carpenter of Detroit; and six grandchildren.

Card of Thanks

Thank you to my sister, Ruth, my nieces, Kathy Bice and Carla Whittle for a lovely lunch while I am recuperating.

Joyce Smith

THANK YOU
From the children of the late
Sudy May Nichols
The way our friends and neighbors responded with food, flowers, cards of comfort, prayers, and visits have overwhelmed us all. We are very proud of the way you have expressed your feelings of our dear mother. We all feel very fortunate to have had her all our lives and we are very proud of the way the community felt about her. We would like to express a special thanks to Dr. Richard Roby, and all her nurses who worked so diligently to help us take care of her during her extended illness.

Alene Penry, Sam Nichols, Aaron Nichols, Mary Mantooth, Paul Nichols, and Thomas Nichols

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Bobbie B. Williams dies March 11

Bobbie B. Williams age 99 of Detroit, died March 11 at Christus St. Joseph's Hospital, Paris.

Services were held Saturday, March 13 at 1:30 p.m. at Leesville Baptist Church with the Rev. Jimmy Ellis officiating. Clarksville Funeral Home made burial in Leesville Cemetery.

Mrs. Williams was born September 6, 1899 in Manchester, a daughter of Clement Reed and Australia Vickrey Moore. She was a member of Leesville Baptist Church. She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert H. Williams in 1990; one grandson, one granddaughter, nine sisters and two brothers.

Surviving are two sons, Harold and Judy Williams of Paris and Robert and Betty Williams of Detroit.

Bearers were Boyd Harmening, Tony Whittle, Robert Williams, Blake Williams, Michael Williams and Stephen Williams; three grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Card Of Thanks

The family of **Ruthie Colquhoun** would like to thank everyone for their thoughtfulness. Thank you for the cards, calls, food and flowers, and thank you especially for your prayers.

May God bless each of you.
Bill Pirtle & family

Card Of Thanks

The family of **Bo Harville** would like to thank everyone for their prayers, food, flowers, visits, calls, cards and all the kindness shown us at the loss of our loved one. Your love and support are greatly appreciated.

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Easter Bunny Carnival is March 27

The Paris Founders Lions Club is sponsoring the third annual Easter Bunny Hop Carnival for all ages on Saturday, March 27 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Red River Valley fairgrounds.

An Easter egg hunt for ages up to nine years old will be held with door prizes to be drawn for the parents moon walk.

An Easter basket drawing, cake walk, game booths, food booths, and floral arrangement drawing will also be available.

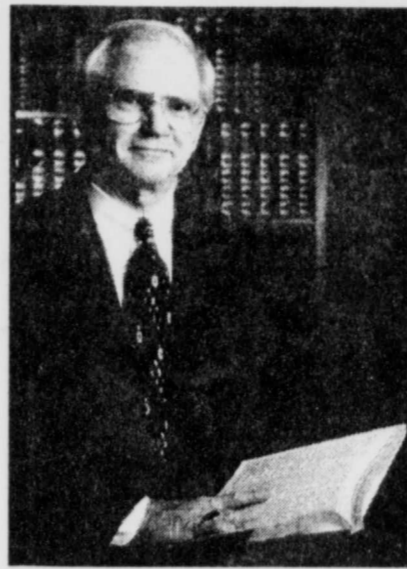
A special appearance will be made by the Easter Bunny.

Everyone is welcome to come join the fun.

All proceeds from game tickets will benefit the Lions Club charities.



BRIT AND ANAYA PHILLIPS of the Lone Star Community will be celebrating their 25th wedding anniversary Sunday, March 28. Their daughters, Lindy and Bonnie Phillips invite all friends of the family to help them celebrate this special time at the Bogata United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall from 2 until 4 p.m., March 28. Brit is the son of Ted Phillips of the Lone Star community and Anaya is the daughter of William and JoDelle Cooper of Cunningham. The couple requests no gifts, please.



Bro. Harold Mathena

Bro. Mathena to deliver Sunday sermon

Harold Dean Mathena of Bethany, Oklahoma will deliver the sermon during the morning worship service on Sunday, April 11 at the Bogata Methodist Church.

He is the son of George and Hester Mathena and grew up in the community, the youngest of eight children, and graduated from Bogata High School in 1953.

He married Patricia King, daughter of Tobe and Willie Speir King of Bogata and they now have five children and 11 grandchildren. He worked as a roughneck on oil rigs in the Talco oilfield while in high school and this occupation took him to New Orleans for four years then to Okla-

homa, Houston, Pasadena the Gulf Coast and finally back to Oklahoma City, where he and his family reside.

He has pastored for over 15 years in four churches and served as interim pastor for three years in seven churches. He has preached over 250 revival meetings and recently received the Honorary Doctor of Divinity Degree from Southern Baptist School for Biblical Studies in Jacksonville, Florida.

A special invitation is extended to everyone to attend this special service. The sermon will be delivered at 11:00 a.m. at the Bogata First Methodist Church.

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VFW Auxiliary to host Barbecue supper

Bogata VFW Post 8187 Ladies' Auxiliary will host a barbecued chicken and all the trimmings supper at 5:00 p.m. Saturday, March 20.

There is no set charge for the meal, but all donations will be appreciated. The public is invited to attend.

Meeting time is 2nd and 4th Monday night at 7:00 p.m.

Post is open Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 3:00 p.m. until 12:00 midnight, and Saturday from 12:00 noon until 1:00 a.m.

Thursday at 7:00 p.m. is 42 playing time and Pool and shuffleboard are open all the time.

* Make plans to come out to the Bogata VFW March 20 at 5:00 p.m. for a Barbecued Chicken and all the trimmings supper. This event will be sponsored by the Ladies Auxiliary. Rabbit Wisinger will cook up the chicken. Donations will be appreciated.

Post 8187 News

Have A Great Weekend



Suzanne Leigh Cain & Phillip Brian Fielder

Cain-Fielder engagement announced

Tracy K. Fielder of Idabel is pleased to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of his father, Phillip Brian Fielder, to Suzanne Leigh Cain, both of Idabel.

The ceremony will take place Saturday, March 27, 1999 in the First United Methodist Church, 302 Southeast Jefferson, in Idabel, Oklahoma. Reverend Diana Crawford, pastor of the church, will officiate at the 3:00 p.m. ceremony.

Leigh is the daughter of Richard and Darnell Davis of Bogata, Jimmy Cain, Millerton, Oklahoma and Sue Cain of Waco, Texas. Grandparents are the late Travis and Louise Stove, Alice Cunningham and Tommy Cunningham, and Joe and Bonnie Gross, all of Millerton, Oklahoma.

She is a 1997 graduate of Valliant High School, and is pursuing a degree in Business Administration at E.T. Dunlap in Idabel. She is employed at McCurtain County National Bank of Idabel.

Brian is the son of Linda Noseff and Charles Noseff of Idabel and Robert Fielder of Angleton. Grandparents are Carlisle and Geneta Fielder of Angleton and Shirley Pate and Bobby Pate, both of Buffalo.

He is a 1992 graduate of Idabel High School and is employed by Global Marine Drilling Company of Houston.

Friends and relatives of the couple are invited to attend. No invitations will be sent.



Dr. Marrero graduated magna cum laude from Southern Methodist University, Dallas and Baylor College of Medicine, Houston. He completed his residency in otolaryngology at Georgetown University Medical Center, Washington, D.C.

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Dr. Marrero enjoys family time, music, sports, and making ice cream. The Dallas native comes to Paris from El Dorado, Arkansas.

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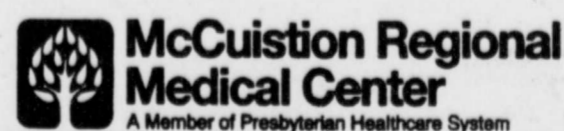
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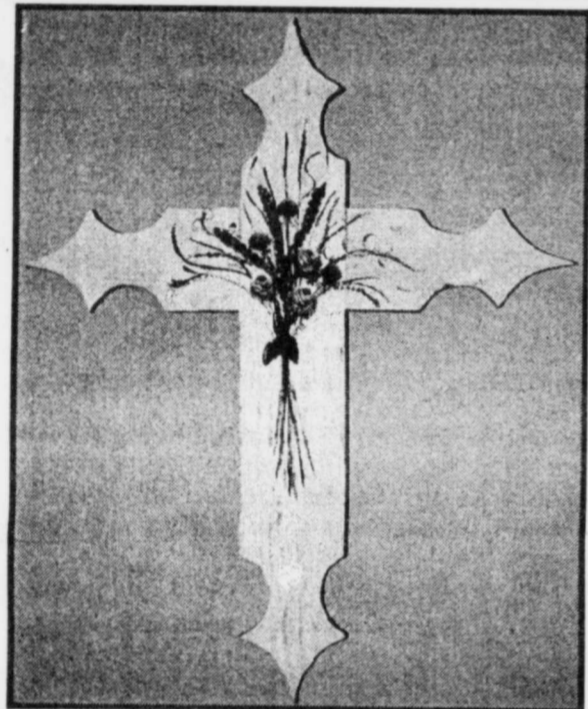
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New Arrivals

Stephanie & Tyler Clayton Tidwell

Stephanie Tidwell is proud to announce the birth of her brother, Tyler Clayton, born February 22, 1999 at McCuiston Hospital-Paris. He weighed 7 pounds 15 ounces and was 20 inches long.

Parents are Clay and Edie Tidwell of Direct. Grandparents are Feliz and Sandra Moreno of Bogata and Michael and Linda Tidwell of Direct. Great Grandparents are Leon and Claudine Gable of Bogata.



COWBOY POET-Mark Evans gave a rendition of Cowboy poetry at the Annual Rivercrest Talent Show held Thursday, March 11 at RHS. Mark is a Sophomore at Rivercrest. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



HAVE A NICE WEEKEND



THE MONTH OF MARCH has been designated National Social Work month. Red River Healthcare Center is very pleased to honor Tealeesa Varley, who has been the social worker since June 29, 1993. "Protecting the rights of our residents, assisting them and their families with health care decisions and addressing their social needs is a challenging job that helps Tealeesa busy," says Administrator, Bobbie Cawley, "and you can be assured that Tealeesa is always looking out for the best interest of the residents." We are pleased to have her on our team. (Staff photo by Judy Screws)



JOHNTOWN LOCALS
By Jana Hawkins
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FAST PITCH-Lady Rebel pitcher, Erin Stansell fires the ball to the plate as the team met Prairiland on Monday in Johntown. The Lady Rebs won the contest and are undefeated in district play thus far. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

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Cuthand Cemetery News

By Dub Harville
Mowing season at Cuthand Cemetery is April through October. To facilitate mowing, "weed-eating" and general maintenance, please remove flowers, vases and ornaments from the ground. Attach flowers securely to the headstones and please discard old and faded ones.
From November through March it is permissible to place flowers, etc. on the ground.
Thanks for your contributions and your co-operation.

Bogata Methodist Women meet

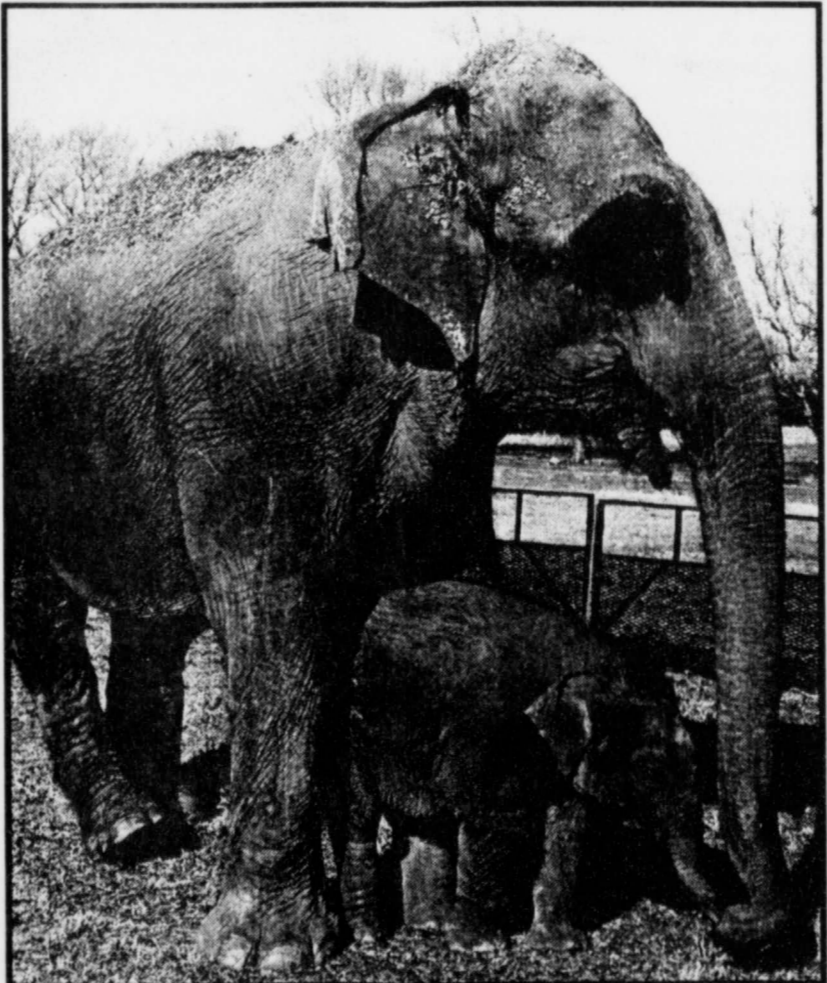
The Bogata Methodist Women met Wednesday, March 10, in the Fellowship Hall. Gertie Choate gave the opening prayer. Betty Puckett presided at the business session.
The second part of the video, "The Man from Aldergate," the life of John Wesley was shown. The April program will be given by the First Responders.
The following members were present: Roberta Anderson, Gertie Choate, Dorothy Gill, Neoma Goodman, Gale Hervey, Eleanor McCluer, Judy Marshall, Anna Bell Patton, Jimmie Lou Pope, Betty Puckett, Bess Ruthardt, Frances Rozell, Anita Stubblefield, Edith Ruth Swaim, Pat Spencer and Glenda Corbell.

Bogata Lions Club meets

The Bogata Lions Club met Thursday, March 4, at the Community Center.
The meeting was called to order by club president, Buck Ramsey. The invocation was led by Raymond Franklin and the pledge of allegiance was led by John Dennison. Betty Ramsey and Shirley Vickers prepared the meal.
During the business meeting Neil Rozell gave a report on the Lions Club Marquee, as to who would be required to pay for using the sign. Jack Dodd gave a report on the progress in the park. It was decided to give \$300.00 to the park fund. Texas New Mexico Power Company asked the Lions Club to help with a safety fair in April. The group agreed. Jack Dodd asked the club for \$500.00 to help with financing the building of a volleyball court. The group agreed. It was also decided to give \$50.00 to the Destiny Anderson fund at Lamar National Bank in Paris.
The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m. The next meeting will be March 18 at 7:00 p.m.

Carson-Barnes Circus scheduled March 20 in Clarksville

Carson & Barnes Circus, the world's largest traveling tent circus and animal menagerie, will be in Clarksville on Saturday, March 20 for two performances, one at 2:00 p.m. and one at 7:00 p.m.
The circus will be set up at the old Wal-Mart location on Highway 82 west.
The circus is being sponsored by the Red River County Chamber of Commerce. Call 903-427-2645 for information.
Ticket outlets are: Avery 7-11; First Federal Community Bank; First National Bank-Clarksville; Guaranty Bank-Bogata; Ponderosa-Annona; Red River Branch-State Bank of DeKalb and the Broadway Emporium in Clarksville.
Everyone is invited to come out and enjoy the exciting circus action, suitable for the entire family.



JENNIE is the new baby elephant born September 6, 1998, weighing 250 lbs. at birth. Now she weighs in at 550 pounds and is still nursing. There are only about 40,000 of the endangered Asian elephants remaining in the world, and Carson & Barnes Circus has established a breeding farm near Hugo, Oklahoma in an attempt to preserve these magnificent animals. Jennie likes to pull on things with her trunk, roll in the grass and get into all kinds of mischief. Her mother, Isa, is always near and Jennie knows she can run to Mama when she wants to. Jennie will be at the Carson & Barnes Circus with her elephant family in Clarksville on March 20 for two performances at 2 p.m. and at 7 p.m.

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Methodist Youth skiing in New Mexico

Sunday, March 14, twenty Methodist Youth and sponsors left shortly after noon to spend a week skiing in the snow in New Mexico. The group was to spend the first night in Amarillo. They then were to continue their trip on to Sipapu Ski Resort just 14 miles from Taos, New Mexico Monday morning. They will ski Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday all day. Evening activities will include food, fun, fellowship and devotions. The plan was to leave Sipapu Friday morn-

ing to start the journey back to Bogata. An overnight stop is scheduled for Wichita Falls. They are expected back in Bogata Saturday afternoon. The Methodist Youth group is made of young people from Cuthand Methodist Church, Bogata Methodist Church, and some local youth who attend the Sunday night youth meetings. The trip was funded by the youth's personal deposits, several

fund raisers conducted during this last year, several donations from anonymous people and The Methodist Women's Group. Their next scheduled meeting will be held Sunday, March 21 at Red River Healthcare Center at 6:30 p.m.

Lions-St. Joseph's to sponsor diabetic clinic

The Bogata Lions Club, St. Joseph's Clinic and St. Joseph's Hospital will sponsor a Diabetic Clinic March 25 at 9:30 a.m. at the community center. This clinic is for public information, and the public is urged to attend. For more information, call Pat Spencer at 632-5668.



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New Arrivals

Justin and Lisa Roach proudly announce the newest addition to their family, Jacob Don Roach. Jacob was born February 27, 1999 at Titus County Memorial Hospital in Mount Pleasant. He weighed 8 pounds, 4 ounces and was 20 inches long. Also welcoming Jacob is his big sister, Sherea. Maternal grandparents are Donnie and Judy Sherrill of Bogata. Paternal grandparents are Don and Gayle Roach also of Bogata.

Births

Lexie Ray Ann Miller was born Friday, March 3 at 11:27 a.m. at Good Shepherd Hospital in Longview. She weighed 9 lbs. and was 19" long. Parents are Ray and Kristy Miller of Holly Lake Ranch. Paternal grandparents are Joe and Martha Gibson of Winnsboro, formerly of Talco and the late L.R. "Bill" Miller. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Bill Craig and Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Brooks, all of Aspermont. Ray is the former Rivercrest principal and Talco coach.

New Arrivals

Edward and Paula Hibbard of Coal City, Illinois are the proud parents of Noah Edward, born March 11, 1999. Maternal grandparents are Paul (Buddy) and Ellen Stringfellow of Bagwell and the late Mary LaRosa. Great Grandparents are Mrs. Dixie Stringfellow of Bogata and William L. Stringfellow of New Iberia, Louisiana. Proud uncle is Mark Stringfellow of Bagwell. Noah joins sisters, Janelle and Jessica.

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Lunch
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 Crackers
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 Milk

Wednesday
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 Sausage & Biscuits with Jelly
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Lunch
 Lasagna
 Fried Okra
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 Crackers
 Cherry Cobbler
 Milk

Thursday
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 Blueberry Muffin
 Fruit or Fruit Juice & Milk
Lunch
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 Gravy
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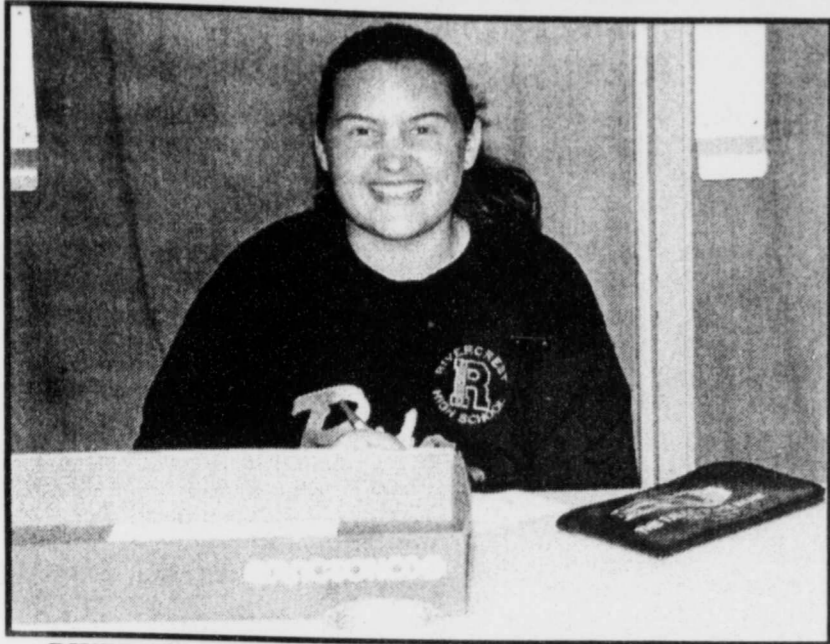
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RIVERCREST BETA-member Shelly Hollis gives a smile as she sold a chance on the \$100 Wal-Mart gift certificate the Beta Club are selling. The funds from the sales will go to help take the group to the State and National meetings this year. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



AMANDA MIDDLETON-sang for the crowd at the Annual Rivercrest Talent Show held Thursday, March 11, 1999. Amanda is a 5th grade student at Bogata and did a wonderful job. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



DIXIE CHICK-Kim Exum of Rivercrest sang a "Dixie Chick" tune at the Annual Talent Show held Thursday, March 11, 1999. Kim and all of the performers did a wonderful job. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

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I worked for a number of years in the business office of a construction company-trash service. I had a desk and a good friend of mine, Sonya, had the other desk in the office. Since she was the office manager and was tied up with more important business most of the time, I was usually the one who answered the telephone. One day she looked at me and said, "I'm not sure how to say this, but my younger kids won't call the office because when you answer the phone, they think you are angry with them." I could not believe she wasn't joking. She said that they thought I had a mean voice. This was me she was talking about. Soft-hearted me. The one who cries over sad cartoons. I could not believe anyone would believe I was mean.

At a later date, a lady called to complain about her trash bill. I was as polite as could be, and we ended the call on a cordial note. Immediately, the lady called back. She told me that she did not appreciate the way I spoke to her. I told her that I was sorry she felt that way, but I was as polite as I knew how to be. She said, "Yes, your words were polite, but I have never been spoken to in a colder manner." I was flabbergasted. I was so proud of my good manners.

When I got home, I told my husband and daughter what the woman had said and also commented on the fact that Sonya's kids didn't like to call the office and have me answer the phone. My daughter said, "Don't take this the wrong way, Mama, but it's not what you say, it's your tone of voice." My husband agreed with her. I couldn't believe it. I know I have a strong voice, a voice so strong I have to be careful to not speak too loudly, but I always thought it was a nice, kind voice. I meant for it to be.

I mentioned this turn of events to Mama. She said, "You can just get used to it. You have my voice, and people have always thought I had a short, cold voice." I couldn't understand why anyone would think that about Mama's voice. She sounded perfectly fine to me. She sounded just like me.

I was taught to say, "Yes Ma'am and No Sir, Please and Thank You". I was taught to not speak when someone else is speaking, and never speak with food in my mouth, just as everyone else was. I try to follow those guidelines still, but how do you change your voice? I've had it for 56 years. Perhaps I could develop a nasal twang or a lisp and people would feel sorry for me and not get upset with the tone of my voice.

Bearing in mind all that I have just told you, if you have had occasion to talk with me at any time and my voice has offended you, I hope you will give me another chance. I am not a mean person. My grandchildren love me, and will vouch for me. I guess my children and daughter-in-law and son-in-law love me, and my husband seems to love me most of the time. So I couldn't be too bad with all of those recommendations. Could I?

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Editor's Quotes

The person who throws themselves away seldom likes where they land.

FOOT NOTES

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PS. Many cases of back pain are actually caused by foot imbalances, which may be remedied by prescription orthoses.

Talco Locals

By Nancy Brown
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Karen Jones and Kari spent Wednesday shopping in Paris.

Nancy Brown, Patsy Smith and Randy Hollis attended the District Dixie Girls Softball meeting held in Sulphur Springs Saturday, March 13. Cecil and Robbie Beville celebrated their 19th wedding anniversary this past week.

Happy March Birthday to Luke Clark, Dustin Wolfe, Betty Hall, Myrna Lewis, Shannalisa Mercer, Mark Harris, Glen Harris and Stan Bruce.

Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Roger Hall Saturday were Chasity, Clay and Caley Francis of Bogata. On Monday their granddaughter, Camen Calvin of Bogata visited over night.

Arthur Smith traveled to Kilgore Wednesday to pick up grandson, Aaron Smith. Aaron spent Wednesday through Monday with the family.

On Monday Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Smith took he and Melanie to Kilgore to meet their mother, Sally Dunn. Melanie will visit in Lufkin until

Sunday. Victor Wells, Red River Valley Boys Vice President, of Talco attended the District Dixie Boys Baseball meeting in Paris Saturday.

Carol Laing and Nancy Brown attended the Annual Hamburger Supper and Talent Show at Rivercrest on Thursday.

The Talco Calvary Baptist Church R.A. boys enjoyed a lock-in at the church fellowship hall on Monday night. The group are sponsored by Steve and Eric Hall, Johnny Jones and Zack Meade. 18 boys attended.

Jerry and Lou Ann Jones returned Tuesday from a visit in Divine, Tx. Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Fail on Saturday were Aline Fail of Palestine, T.J. and Loretta Browning and children of Austin, Bethany Fail of Frankston, Marilyn Presley, Elizabeth Ewing of Paris and Yvonne Harris.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Brown spent Thursday in Tyler.

Marrero appointed to McCuiston Medical Staff

Otolaryngologist Ralph Marrero, M.D. has been named to the Medical Staff of McCuiston Regional Medical Center. A native of Dallas, Dr. Marrero comes to Paris from El Dorado, Arkansas.

"I am pleased to be a part of this medical community," Dr. Marrero stated. "I carefully made the choice of a place to begin my medical practice and raise a family. Paris is a good place for both."

A magna cum laude graduate of Southern Methodist University, Dal-

las, Dr. Marrero earned his medical degree from the Baylor College of Medicine, Houston. His residency in otolaryngology-ear, nose and throat was completed at Georgetown Medical Center, Washington, D.C.

A Diplomate of the American Board of Otolaryngology, Dr. Marrero enjoys family time, music, sports and making homemade ice cream. His office is located at 1055 Clarksville street, Suite 160, Paris. Appointments may be scheduled by calling (903) 739-7850.

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Be sure to bring all news articles to us. We are very happy to get them. We need your local news, special events, births, weddings, birthdays, etc. We also are happy to have new featured cooks for the Country Cooking column. We do not charge for one printing each of engagements and wedding announcements, birthdays, birth announcements, family reunions or any kind of news. We do charge for Cards of Thanks, poetry, the Happy Birthday greetings and for advertisement.

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Bogata News Locals

By Judy Screws
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Bertha McCall, Sandy Merchant, Kay Legate and Martha, Joe and Wesley McCall of Bogata, Gayla Francis of Deport, Bob, Doris and Elisha McCall and Stacy Mobley of Paris had lunch in Hawkins with Connie, Shannon and Corey Allums Sunday. There were about 25 or 30 guests present for lunch. After lunch, the ladies went to a wedding shower in honor of Ray and Dwia Beal.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Screws and Chris Anna and Jerred Guerra were in McKinney Thursday for a doctor's appointment.

Chris Anna, Jerry, Christopher and Jerred Guerra of Paris had lunch with Mr. and Mrs. Donald Screws and Tana Sunday.

Mike, Kara and Hali Screws and Cami Hudson of Deport visited with Mr. and Mrs. Donald Screws and Tana Sunday.

Christopher and Jerred Guerra of Paris spent Monday and Tuesday night with Mr. and Mrs. Donald Screws and Tana.

Visiting with Zelma Mauldin most of last week was her son, Jerry Mauldin of Hurst.

Visiting with Mrs. Dixie Stringfellow recently were Danny and Michael Tabb, Buddy Stringfellow, Dee Richardson, Vicki Tabb, Billy, Kaley and Kellen Stringfellow, Loren Reeves and Jimmy Stringfellow.

Danny and Jessica Hines spent last week camping at Lake Pat Mayse during Spring Break.

Gerlyn Gray returned Wednesday night after spending 2 days with Judy and Hayden Holt at Children's Medical Center in Dallas. Hayden's spinal surgery went well and he's gradually gaining strength.

Jerry and Gerlyn Gray and Margaret Davis camped at Pat Mayse with Jessica and Danny Hines over the week end.

Heather and Heath Holt spent a couple of days visiting their grandparents, Jerry and Gerlyn Gray during Spring Break.

Connie and Tiffany Giles, Jerry Merchant and Bobby Thompson attended the District Dixie League Girls Softball meeting in Sulphur Springs on Saturday.

Humane Society to hold bake sale

The Red River County Humane Society will hold a bake sale on April 3, 1999 at Wal-Mart in Clarksville beginning at 8:00 a.m. The Easter Bunny will also be on hand from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Children can have their pictures made with the bunny for \$2.00 per picture.

Everyone is encouraged to get their Easter desserts while supporting the local Humane Society.

Baking for Nationals

There will be a bake sale held on Friday, March 20, 1999 in front of the Bogata Bank beginning at 9:00 a.m. All proceeds from the sale will go to help Misti Joe Tucker and Cassie Perry of the Rivercrest Flag Corp. attend the National competition in San Antonio on March 27, 1999. All purchases and donations will be appreciated. To donate a cake or pie to the sale contact (Mrs. Jerry) Sharlene Perry in Bogata.

Annual Talent show/ Supper a success

The Rivercrest Annual Talent show/Hamburger supper was held Thursday, March 11 at the school cafeteria and auditorium.

Following the supper the show began with a childrens style show. Little boys and girls modeled various types of clothing from dress to casual. A song sang by Amy Watkins of Bogata opened the performances. Others performing during the evening were; Jessica Kay of Talco Elementary with apom pom routine; Amanda Middleton of Bogata Elementary who sang; Clayton Watkins of Bogata who sang and played guitar; Emily McCuller of Talco who performed a dance/gymnastic routine; Kim Exum of Bogata who sang one of the Dixie Chicks songs, Jason Dyess of Talco who sang and played guitar; the Ghetto Superstars (Brandi Randle of Sugar Hill, Debra Janes of Bogata and Crystal Seykora of Talco) who lip sang and danced to a melody of songs; Mark Evans of Bogata who performed Cowboy poetry; Mandy Crawford of Bogata who performed

a gymnastics floor exercise; Bailie Spencer of Bogata who sang a Dixie Chicks song; Cassie McCuller of Talco who performed a dance/gymnastics routine; Charla Hines of Bogata who sang "Save the Best or Last"; No Limit Rockers (Jaleh Strundahl and Candias Nickerson of Bogata, Tiffany Prentice, Missy Carroll and Samantha Jones of Talco) who lip sang rap and danced and bands Southwind and Afterglow with members from Bogata, Talco and Chisum. All of the performers did a great job and everyone enjoyed the program. A silent pie and cake auction was held during the event with all proceeds going to the Beta Club. The group were also selling chances on a \$100 Wal-Mart gift certificate. The proceeds will help the Beta's attend State and National meetings. The Talent show proceeds will go to the Rivercrest cheerleaders to purchase necessary supplies. Both groups expressed appreciation to all that participated in every way.



JESSICA KAY performed a pom-pom routine at the Annual Rivercrest Talent Show held Thursday, March 11, 1999. Jessica is the daughter of Tim and Jeannie Kay of Sugar Hill, and is a third grader at Talco School. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

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The Bogata Lions Club, St. Joseph's Clinic and St. Joseph's Hospital will sponsor a Diabetic Clinic March 25 at 9:30 a.m. at the community center. This clinic is for public information, and the public is urged to attend.

For more information, call Pat Spencer at 632-5668.

Dixie girls District softball meeting held March 13

The Dixie girls District IV softball meeting was held Saturday, March 13 at Sulphur Springs. New District Director, Louise Yates called the meeting to order. She introduced State Director, Pat Belinowski and they reported a mistake that was made in awarding the State tournament. The mistake was corrected and the following cities will host the State meets; Angels (9-10)-Denison Ponytails (11-12) Commerce Belles (13-14-15) Mt. Vernon Debs (16-17-18) Crosby

The Darlings (7 & 8) year old girls do not have a State tourney but each district has a District play off. The tournaments are awarded by rotation and Red River Valley will have the tourney which will begin on Friday, June 18, 1999. Which town within Red River to be the host will also depend on the rotation among the towns. The Red River Valley group will meet soon to decide this. Other District tournament will be held at the following cities:

Angels (9-10)- Franklin County beginning Friday, June 25, 1999. Ponytails (11-12)-Mt. Pleasant beginning Friday, July 9, 1999. Belles (13-14-15)- Hopkins County beginning Friday, July 2, 1999.

A Sweeties tournament was discussed. Mrs. Yates and Mrs. Belinowski stated that in order for them to participate they teams must be franchised. This is T Ball age girls and in most districts the boys and girls play together at this age. Two towns in the District may franchise but the others will not. A little girls tournament will be held within the district at the end of T ball play. A little boys invitational tournament will also be held at the end of T ball play if there is enough interest. Towns and dates will be announced at a later date.

Mr. Belinowski spoke at length to the group about sportsmanship and ethical conduct from the players, coaches, umpires and fans. He stated that sportsmanship depended on the Board of Directors of each town, he felt. Most problems he reported hearing of was due to the lack of rules

being enforced. As a result umpires were not coming back, parents were not allowing their children to play and the whole of Dixie softball suffers. He encouraged each league to have specific sanctions against anyone who displays unsportsmanlike like conduct. He encouraged each town to have a board member or officer at each home game and he/she should report any problem to the board. Mr. Belinowski stated, "Make the people responsible for their actions". To control this problem some leagues have produced a statement of conduct that every official, umpire, parent and child must sign and abide by. "Put it in writing!", Mr. Belinowski said and abide by the rules or bar those who do not.

League deadline were discussed. The group were encouraged by Mr. Belinowski and Mrs. Yates to get their paper work in early. They recommended that rosters arrive before franchise fees. If a teams roster has a discrepancy on it the fault could cause all games to be forfeited. Umpire deadline request must be postmarked no later than May 1 along with a \$15 fee. Any request after May 1 through June 1 will be charged \$25. Umpires must be registered by June 1 or they can not call tournament games. Mr. Belinowski stated that if your umpires are certified you can be assured they have read the Dixie Softball book.

Local leagues have the option in Angel play to go to coach pitch after 4 batters have walked in an inning. However, this year the State tournament will have player pitch only. Mr. Yates called for a vote on which option to use in district play. Mike Screws made a motion to use player pitch only. It was seconded and carried. Mrs. Yates and Mrs. Belinowski asked that each league send a copy of their local league game schedule to them. If possible they will attend some of the games. Mr. Belinowski commended district 4 for the interest and manner in which the business is handled.

Discussion on players wanting to sign up in other towns within their league or with other leagues was discussed. The National/State rule says not child can play outside her home town if there is a team in her town. A request for exception can be made to the District Director. Both Mrs. Yates and Mrs. Belinowski stressed that such a request would be thoroughly checked out for a legitimate reason, such as a court order for divorced parents where the child lives with one during the school year but is with the other in the summer. Mike Screws, Red River Valley President, stated the Red River Valley League will follow all Dixie rules at the local level. He further stated that this would be clarified again at the Red River meeting next week.

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NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION
 CITY OF DEPORT
 To the registered voters of the City of Deport:
 Notice is hereby given that the polling place listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on May 1, 1999 for the voting of three (3) councilperson positions for the City of Deport. Location is 201 Main Street, Deport City Hall.
 First day to accept applications for early voting ballots by mail must be filed on March 2, 1999. Last day to receive application from voter in person for a ballot to be voted by mail April 12, 1999.
 Absentee voting by personal appearance will be conducted each week day at the Deport City Hall between the office hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. until April 23, 1999.
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Rebel Flag Corp. competes at Region

Two members of the Rebel Flag Corp and the Junior High Flag Corp attended the Regional Marching Auxillary competition Saturday, March 13 in Tyler.

Misti Joe Tucker and Cassie Perry received a superior rating from all three judges at the event and Best Color Grand Ensemble. The girls will travel to San Antonio on March 27, 1999 to compete at the National contest. The girls are sponsored by Cylena Holman. Misti is the daughter of Cliff Tucker of Bogata and Sabrina Tucker of Talco. Cassie is the daughter of Jerry and Sharlene Perry of Bogata. Congratulations girls!!!!

Bogata Book Club meets in February and March

The February 11 meeting of the Bogata Book Club was held in the Fellowship Hall of the United Methodist Church. Betty Puckett and Eleanor McCluer were co-hostesses.

Fourteen members heard a program on China. Gale Hervey, Jimmie Lou Pope and Eleanor McCluer presented a review-panel discussion of the book, *Falling Leaves* by Adeline Yen Mah, a memoir of an unwanted Chinese daughter in 20th century China.

A business meeting was held afterward and refreshments were served.

The Bogata Book Club met Thursday, March 11, at the home of Joyce Smith with Juanita Sparks serving as co-hostess. Fifteen members heard a program on Texas History. Zona Parrish presented *Texas Under Six Flags*, discussing each step in the history of what ultimately became the Lone Star State.

In the business session which followed, the club president, Mary Kathryn Cotten, presided. Mrs. Cotten announced that the district TFWC president, Joan Gannaway, would be a guest at the April meeting.

Calvary Baptist R.A.'s enjoy lock-in

Monday, March 15, eighteen Royal Ambassadors celebrated Spring Break with a lock-in at the Calvary Baptist Church in Talco.

The evening began with a hamburger supper cooked by Steve Hall and Johnny Jones. The fixings for supper and all the food for the evening and Tuesday mornings breakfast was purchased and donated by Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Jones.

Bro. Glenn Connell presented a devotional and demonstrated with a bucket of ashes and a gallon of water just how easy a Christian fire can get put out in this world. He stressed how important it is to read and study our Bibles daily in order to keep our

Christian fires glowing.

Sponsors spending the night with the boys were Eric Hall and Zack Meade. Boys attending were; Michael Stinson, Robert Rector, Justin Norman, Jonathan Grissom, Robert Paul Rhoades, Aaron Watson, Derrick Morris, Adam Davis, Patrick Palmer, Morgan Wright, Troy Morris, Chad Davis, Josh McGee, Ronnie Parker, Cody Hill, Brandon Davis, Josh Cox and Jose.

Any boy in second grade through high school that would like to become a member of the Calvary Baptist R.A.'s are welcome to attend. The boys meet regularly at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday evenings at the church.

Talco Easter Egg hunt coming up

The Talco Park 7th Annual Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for Saturday, April 3rd, 1999 beginning at 11:00 a.m. There will be three age categories; up to 4 years of age (pre-kindergarten); Kindergarten through 4th grade; and fifth grade and up.

Hot dogs and drinks will be sold to offset the cost of the egg hunt, but there will be Free Snowcones for everyone! Over 2500 eggs will be hidden.

Prize eggs will include: a \$50 savings bond for each age category donated by Guaranty Bank-Talco; real ostrich eggs donated by Earl and Rena Hale; beanie babies and more! So mark your calendars and come on out and enjoy!



MISTI JOE TUCKER AND CASSIE PERRY-display the trophy they received at the Regional Marching Auxillary held in Tyler on March 13, 1999. The girls, members of the Rivercrest Flag Corp., will travel on to San Antonio for the National competition on March 27, 1999. Congratulations girls!!!

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