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By Nanalee Nichols
It Has Gone Way Too Far!

I think it has gone too far. I can accept computers "talking" to me by printing messages out on the screen, although I admit there are times it is irritating.

I have learned, since Christmas, to deal with my iMac talking to me, literally.

It was okay when it said "alert, your remote access has unexpectedly shut down".

I don't like it when any computer "crashes" and has to be restarted because as it restarts it will say, either in print or vocally "your machine was not shut down properly. To shut down you should close all programs and go to the pull down menu for "shut down". I KNOW it wasn't shut down properly, that's because the blankety blank machine had a power interruption or did something weird on its own. I didn't do it, the machine did! (What's frightening is that I find myself saying exactly that to a machine).

But the iMac has gone too far entirely.

We purchased a PC card reader (that's another long story) for the iMac and discovered that the CD rom was not in the package. There was only a small, mini-CD. We called the company that made the PC card reader and they admitted that their packaging division had messed up. Each card reader was to have come with a full sized CD and the small one. They are shipping one. In the meantime, we were told we could download the software off of Simpletech's web site.

Well, we tried that. We downloaded for about fifteen minutes, different messages scrolling on the screen, little bars busily showing activity.

But, at the close is when my computer went too far.

It crossed the boundary. I can accept that the machine is smarter than I am. But I'll be darned if the thing is going to make excuses for itself!

After the installation the iMac announced in a soft, but firm voice, "It's NOT my fault. Installation was not successful. Portions of the necessary drivers were not available from the internet. It's NOT my fault!"

I am just not ready for a machine to make excuses. That's a HUMAN prerogative!

PIPS to perform at PJC

The Rivercrest PIPS (Players in Progress) will perform at Paris Junior College gym on Saturday, February 19, 2000.

All members of the group must be at the gym by 7:30 p.m. Members will be admitted free. Adult tickets will be \$ 3.00 and student tickets will be \$ 2.00. Everyone is invited to come out and enjoy a college basketball game and support the Talco-Bogata students.

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A men's church softball meeting will be held February 24 at 6:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church Christian Life Center in Mt. Pleasant. For information, call 572-1178.

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Future Farmers of America to celebrate FFA Week

FFA chapters will celebrate National FFA week next week. Officers this year for the Rivercrest FFA Chapter are: President, Jamie Daniels, Vice President-Josh Griffin, Secretary-Sam Stanley, Treasurer-Bubba Abernathy, Reporter-Jill Foster, Sentinel-Sissy Meredith and Advisor-Kayla Belcher. Serving as Greenhand Officers this year are: President-Jared Huddleston, Vice President-Alison Foster, Secretary-Jessica Rose, Treasurer-Clayton Watkins, Reporter-Marcus Deming, Sentinel-Camellia Mankins and Advisor-Sara Alsop. The Rivercrest FFA are proud to have their Chapter President, Jamie Daniels also serve as Paris District President.

The RHS FFA are active throughout the year. This year they participated in the Red River and Titus County Fairs where at Red River they received Champion Broilers, Champion Rabbits and had 23 hogs, lambs and 8 heifers shown. At Titus County Fair they received Reserve Champion Lamb and Champion Supreme Heifer. Members also participated at the Ft. Worth Stock Show and San Antonio Livestock Exhibition.

Eight members attended the National FFA Convention in Louisville, Kentucky. Members placed 1st in district quiz, 3rd in Greenhand Chapter Conducting, 4th in Senior Chapter Conduction and 5th in Creed Speaking. At the District and Area Conventions Rivercrest won 7 Area Proficiency Awards and 3 State Farmers.

Other activities through the year are the annual ice cream supper, annual sausage sales and fruit sales. The FFA is sponsored by Agriculture teachers, Craig Ingram, Jimmy Rogers and Kenny Swinford.

Area chapters of the Future Farmers of America will begin celebrating FFA Week on Monday, February 21 with various activities planned for the week, both in the school and their communities.

The original idea for the organization was fostered after courses in vocational agriculture were established by the Smith-Hughes National Vocational Education Act in 1917.

In the early 1920s, Virginia formed a Future Farmers club for boys in agriculture classes. This innovation caught fire across the country and the national organization was established in 1928 at the Baltimore Hotel in Kansas City, Missouri. National dues to the Future Farmers of America were set at ten cents per member.

FFA makes positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education, which is the main goal of the organization.

For more than seventy-one years, the FFA has continued to be an integral part of agriculture instruction by making classroom lessons come to life through realistic applications.

From its beginnings in 1928, with thirty-three delegates at the first national convention, it has grown to encompass 447,880 members in all fifty states, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands, Guam and Rota (Commonwealth of Northern Marianas Islands).

The National FFA Organizational headquarters is located in Alexandria, Virginia which houses the Na-

tional Council of Agricultural Education, National Association of Agricultural Educators, Dr. Larry Case, CEO and C. Coleman Harris, Executive Secretary. The National Council

of Agricultural Education provides leadership, coordination and support for the continuous improvement and diversity of agriculture education.

The National FFA Center is located in Indianapolis, Indiana and the Center houses the National FFA Organization, National FFA Alumni and National FFA Foundation.

The mission of Agricultural Education is to prepare and support the individuals for careers, build awareness and develop leadership for the food, fiber and natural resource systems. To accomplish this mission the FFA develops competent and assertive agricultural leadership and increases awareness of the global and technological importance of agriculture and its contribution to our well-being. It also strengthens the confidence of agriculture students in themselves and their work along with promoting the intelligent choices and establishment of an agricultural career. The program also encourages achievement in supervised agricultural experience programs as well as encouraging wise management of economic, environmental and human relations and social interaction. FFA builds character and promotes citizenship, volunteerism and patriotism while promoting cooperative attitudes among all people. While promoting

healthy life-styles it also encourages excellence in scholarship.

The Rivercrest Chapter of the FFA organization stays active throughout the year with various activities.

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

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

February 18
The Lady Rebels 8th grade will sponsor a Bake Sale in front of the Bogata Guaranty Bank beginning at 8:45 a.m. All proceeds will go to help the girls attend the State Basketball Playoffs in Austin.

February 25
The Lady Rebels 8th grade will sponsor a Bake Sale in front of the Talco Post Office beginning at 8:00 a.m. All proceeds will go to help the girls attend the State Basketball Playoffs in Austin.

February 27
Jennifer Allmon bride-elect of Jack Brown will be honored with a miscellaneous wedding shower on Feb. 27 from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. at the Maple Springs Church. All family and friends are invited to attend.

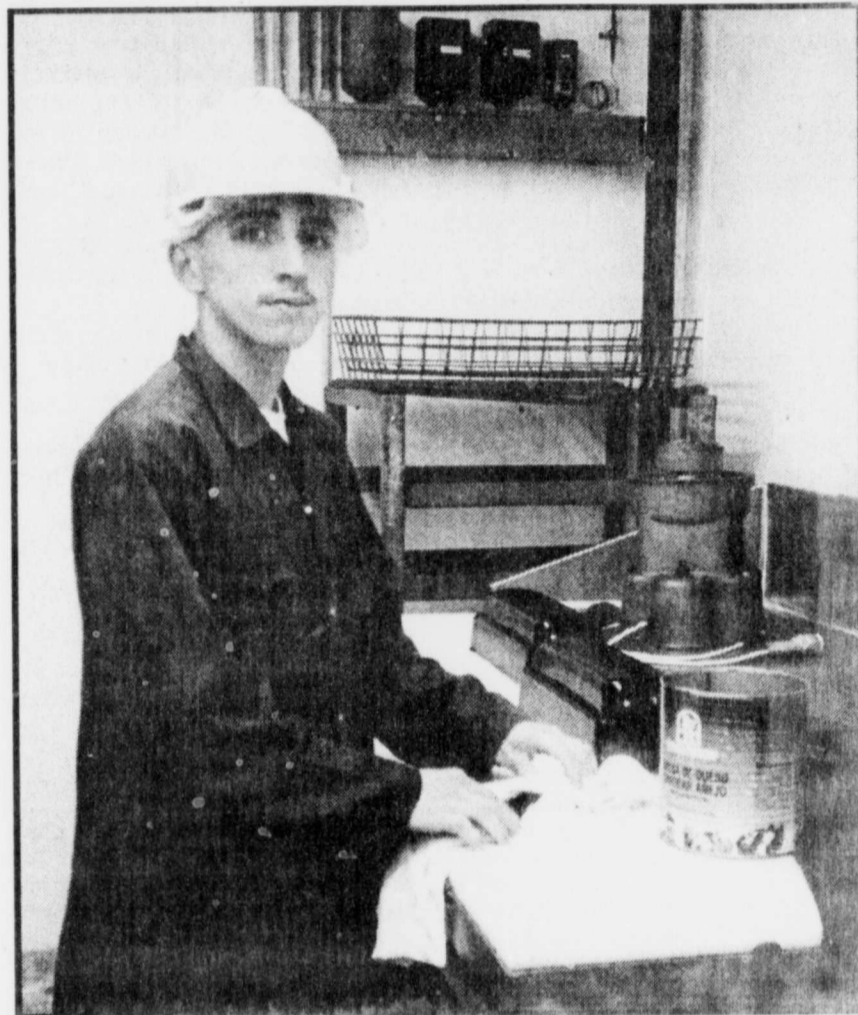
March 3
The Rivercrest ISD will observe Presidents Day on March 3, 2000 instead of the previous set date of February 21. Various school activities forced the change of the date. There will be no school on March 3 at Rivercrest Schools.

March 5
Lois Waldrum bride-elect of Eric Hall will be honored with a miscellaneous wedding shower on March 5 from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the Calvary Baptist Church in Talco. All family and friends are invited to attend.

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

The Rivercrest Rebel Varsity will travel to Lindale on Saturday for a practice game with Canton.

The Talco/Bogata 4th and 8th grade students will take the TAAS Writing test on Feb. 22, 2000. Parents are asked to see that their children get plenty of rest the night before the test and eat a good breakfast the morning of the test to help them perform their best.



DAVID GUZMAN-of the Rivercrest FFA cleans up after a Meat Lab class. The Rivercrest students are lucky to have the equipment and teachers for Meat Lab and many other classes most schools in the district do not have.

Political Rally to be hosted by Bogata Lions Club March 11

The Bogata Lions Club will host a "Political Rally" at the Community Center in Bogata on March 11, 2000. The event will begin at 6:00 p.m. with a stew supper. A pie and cake auction will also be held.

All candidates for local, state, and national offices have been invited to attend and most have accepted the opportunity. For more information on the event will available soon.

Rivercrest announces drug testing program successful

A list of the total number of students who participate in extracurricular activities at Rivercrest High School was recently compiled. This list has been compiled to disclose the number of students that are currently drug testing each year according to RHS Principal/Coach, Keith Brown. Brown reports the drug testing program at Rivercrest has been very effective in educating students in drug awareness. The program has set Rivercrest apart from the other districts in our area. Coach Brown said, "I am constantly getting calls about our drug testing program from other principals and athletic directors. We have set an example with our program. It is an educational approach to a serious social issue. We are very lucky to have a Superintendent and school board with the vision to allow us to utilize this educational drug testing program".

The percentages of drug tested students in the RISD are as follows:
Rivercrest Freshman-47 students tested, 21 boys and 26 girls for a total of 64% of the class.
Rivercrest Sophomores-24 students tested, 9 boys and 15 girls for a total of 62% of the class.
Rivercrest Juniors-30 students

tested, 15 boys and 5 girls for a total of 71% of the class.

Rivercrest Seniors-31 students tested, 20 boys and 11 girls for a total of 59% of the class.

The school wide totals are: 132 students tested, 65 boys and 67 girls for a total of 63% of the student body.

Talco School:
Seventh grade: 16 students tested, 9 boys and 7 girls for a total of 64% of the class.

Eighth grade: 18 students tested, 6 boys and 12 girls for a total of 95% of the class.

Talco School wide totals, 34 students tested, 15 boys and 19 girls for 77% of the junior high student body.

Bogata School:
Seventh grade: 29 students tested, 14 boys and 15 girls for a total of 91% of the class.

Eighth grade: 29 students tested, 20 boys and 9 girls for a total of 78% of the class.

Bogata School wide totals, 58 students tested, 34 boys and 24 girls for a total of 84% of the junior high student body.

The totals for all campuses is 224 students tested, 114 boys and 110 girls for a total of 69% of the school.

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Rebels to compete at Lindale

The Rebels of Rivercrest will play a practice game vs Canton at Lindale on Saturday, Feb. 19 at 1:30 p.m.

The team will have several days off while awaiting the Area Playoff and Coach Steve Weddle will schedule practice games when possible to keep his team in tune. Come out and support the Rebels!



Special Talco PTO meeting to be held February 23

A special Talco PTO meeting will be held on Feb. 23, 2000 at 4:30 pm in the Talco School auditorium.

The topic of discussion will be a chicken spaghetti supper and talent show. The annual spring talent show held at Rivercrest will not be held this year and if the PTO can manage to hold the show and supper all funds

raised from the event will go to purchase more playground equipment.

All parents and interested community members are urged to attend this very important meeting and participate in the planning and production of the supper and program. For more information contact Tina Nolen at the Talco School 379-3841.

Financial Aid-Educational Talent Search Night to be held at Rivercrest

All RHS senior students and their parents are invited to attend a Financial Aid and Educational Talent Search Night at Rivercrest High School on Monday, February 21, 2000 at 6:00 p.m.

The "Free Application for Federal Student Aid" (FAFSA) will be discussed and completed. The form must be completed and submitted in order

for students to receive any financial assistance for college.

Those planning to attend should pick up a form from Kay Kennedy, Counselor at Rivercrest, fill it out and return it to Mrs. Kennedy no later than Friday, Feb. 18, 2000. For more information on the event you may contact Mrs. Kennedy at 632-5204.

Lake Chapel House of Prayer will hold revival February 20-23. Everyone is invited to attend services.

Country Cooking

By Liz Irwin

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Our cook for this week is Doris Jenkins of the Faught Community. Doris and I have never been formally introduced, but I feel like I know quite well. She and I share a common bond. . . we both collect recipes and cookbooks. She called me one day and requested some recipes from the holidays and we began to visit and I have talked to her several times over the phone.

I asked her to be a cook one week and she sent me some delicious recipes. Although she is a diabetic, all of her recipes are not for diabetics, because her husband enjoys "regular" food. But she does convert some of them to fit her life-style.

She and her husband David moved to the Faught area about five years ago, coming from the Detroit area. They have a daughter, Barbara Hoskins and Dwight from Detroit. They have a grown son. Son, Kevin is a policeman and he is married to

Kay and they have two small daughters. and have 2 sons.

We hope you enjoy Doris' recipes and we will see you in the kitchen!

Marshmallow Graham Dessert-skim milk may be substituted.

Bacon Breadsticks-these would make great snacks with pizza sauce!

Cream Cheese Salad-this would be great with a meal or just by itself!

Brunch Enchiladas-one enchilada prepared with low-fat ham, fat-free tortillas, reduced-fat cream cheese, skim milk and egg substitute, equals 236 calories, 79 mg. of sodium, 18 mg. cholesterol, 28 mg. carbohydrates, 20 mg protein, 4 grams fat with diabetic exchange 2 starch and 2 lean meat.

Vanilla Custard Cups-diabetic exchange is 1/2 skim milk and 1/2 lean meat.

Simple Spanish Rice-diabetic exchange is 3 starch and 1-1/2 fat.

Red River County Roots



This week's query is from John W. Cary, 413 East 2nd Street, Grandview, WA 98930. He would like to know more about his ancestor, William E. Wheat, who was born in Red River County in July, 1846. He died in Brownsville County, Idaho in March 1925. He married Wall Wells and two children were Jess Giles Wheat (born 1885 in Idaho) an Myrtle Wheat Cary (born 1889 Lexington, KY). Mr. Cary is interested in contacting anyone who may know anything about this Wheat family, such as burial places, states and counties of origin, etc.

If you would like to write Mr. Peterson, please write him at the above address.

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

Have A Nice Weekend

Fulbright News
By Betty Rodgers
652-6051

Jimmie King attended a 42 party in the home of Ethel Epps of Bogata on Tuesday.

Nelda and Donal Lee Haire of Daingfield visited Marla and Preston Crump as well as Fannie and Leon Lamb of Deport.

Mrs. Kyle King of Reno, Duane and Bobbye King of Woodland spent Wednesday with Jimmie King.

Monte and Shelly Rodgers of Tigertown and Melissa Arriaga of Deport visited Sunday evening with their mother, Betty Rodgers.

Dick King of Paris visited Jimmie King Friday. They had lunch at Ted's in Clarksville and the ASCS office on business.

The trailer home of Mary Smith was damaged by fire during the bad weather we had. The family is now living in Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Kyle King of Reno came Monday afternoon and got Jimmie King and they met Duane and Bobbye King at the Fish Fry for Valentine dinner.

Loyd Cavender is still in rehab in a Dallas hospital.

National Wild Turkey Chapter to hold Banquet

The National Wild Turkey Chapter of NE Texas Red River County will hold their 2nd annual Banquet and Auction on Saturday, March 4th at the Clarksville High School Auditorium.

Doors will open at 6 p.m. and dinner begins at 7 p.m. with a BBQ meal. Lots of door prizes will be given away and there will be a kids and ladies raffle. Call Lee Lindeman at 427-2244 or Tom Ed Slaton, 427-2005, Jimmy Meals at 427-5280 or Jason Browning at 966-2905 for tickets. Tickets will also be available at the door for \$35 for a single or \$45 for double.

Mary Rose Jackson dies

Services for Mary Rose Jackson, a resident of Grand Prairie, Texas were held at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, February 8, 2000 in Grand Prairie, Texas with Dan Vess officiating. Burial was in Red Hill Cemetery, Powderly, Texas.

Mrs. Jackson was born March 19, 1916 in Baghdad, PN. to Tomas and Rose Perpich. She was a member of the Grand Prairie Church of Christ. She is survived by her husband of 58 years, Bob Jackson of Grand Prairie, Tx., two sons, Robert of Grand Prairie, Tx. and James of Marshall, Tx., one daughter, Pat Brashear of Dennison, Tx., four grandchildren, four great grandchildren and a sister-in-law, Mildred Allums of Bogata.

Shannon Barker dies February 11

Shannon Barker, age 47, of Rowlett, passed away Friday, February 11, 2000. She was born January 25, 1953 in Brownwood, Texas to Charles and Jenny Tidwell. Mrs. Barker was employed by Rockwell Collins as a Lead Quality Inspector and was a member of Lake Pointe Baptist Church.

Survivors include her husband, John Barker of Rowlett; father, Charles F. Tidwell and wife Cora of Bogata, sisters; Lenore Haynes of Garland, Hollis Sue Croft and husband Ritchie of Rowlett and Dana Carlisle of Rockwall and a host of nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her mother, Jenny Tidwell.

Funeral services were held at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, February 14, 2000 at Rest Haven Funeral Home Rowlett Chapel with Rev. Jessie Jones officiating. Interment followed at Rest Haven Memorial Park.

Eunice Brown dies January 28

Eunice Brown, 78 of Lubbock died Friday, January 28, 2000 at her home. Funeral services were held in Lubbock on January 31, 2000 with burial in Lubbock.

Brown was born April 27, 1921 in Glendale to Dee and Meadie (Ward) Brown. He graduated at Bogata High School, was in the U.S. service in WWII in Europe. He retired from Reese Air Force Base in Lubbock.

He is survived by his wife of 49 years, Opal, one daughter and son-in-law, Lisa and Andy Calcate, three grandchildren all of San Antonio, one brother, Lewis Brown of Dallas, two sisters, Lorene Leftwich of Odessa and Elsie Ray of Houston, a number of nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by four brothers, Marion, Oscar, Sam and Harvey, two sisters, Ophelia and Mable.

Family attending from the Dallas area were Lewis and Ruthie Brown and Bobby and Joyce Ray.

Card of Thanks

The family of Mae Maynard Slaughter wishes to thank each of our friends and neighbors who brought food and sent flowers.

Also, we want to thank ETMC and Dr. Ganguly for making our mother's last days as comfortable as possible.

Especially we want to thank everyone at Red River Haven for being so nice and putting up with such a large family the last day. We thank you all from the bottom of our hearts and God bless each of you.

Sincerely,
The Family of
Mae Maynard Slaughter

Obituaries

Zuma Alsobrook Ham dies February 6

Zuma Alsobrook Ham, age 104, died Sunday, February 6 in Midland.

Services were held on February 10 at 2:00 p.m. in Rollins Funeral Home Chapel in Bentonville, AR, conducted by Walton Hook. Arrangements were by Ellis Funeral Home of Midland. Concluding services were held in Bentonville County Memorial Park.

She was born Saturday, May 4, 1895.

Surviving is a son-in-law, Troy Compton of Midland and three grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by all her brothers, Walter, Jess, Barney, Doug, Jack, Wayne and Polk Alsobrook.

Attending the funeral from this area were her nieces, Patsy Norrell of Deport, Mary Ann Williams of Bogata and Pansy Vaughan and her husband, Harley Vaughan of Richardson.

Opal M. Huff dies January 7

Opal M. Huff died January 7. Recitation of the Holy Rosary was held at 10:00 a.m. Tuesday, January 11 at St. Pius X Catholic Church in Dallas with Fr. Cliff Garner and Deacon John Shell officiating. Burial was made in Restland Cemetery, Dallas.

She was born August 29, 1921 in Manchester, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pete Davis, formerly of Detroit. She was preceded in death by her husband, Joseph John Huff, whom she married November 26, 1941.

Surviving are two sons, John W. Huff of Garland, Billy J. Huff of Dallas; one granddaughter, Mary Margaret Huff of Dallas; three grandsons, Joseph Patrick Huff of Dallas, John Daniel Huff of Garland and John Wesley Huff of Dallas; two sisters, Bada Unruh of Garland and Irene Threadgill of Paris; two brothers, Jody Davis of Garfield, KS and Charles W. Davis of Garland.

She was a retired nurse with St. Paul Hospital of Dallas. She was a member of St. Pius X Catholic Church of Dallas.

Card of Thanks

We want to thank members of the Cuthand and Bogata Volunteer Fire Departments for their quick response and hard work Sunday night when Michael's house was destroyed by fire.

Thanks also to the friends and neighbors who gathered to offer help. We would have liked to thank each of you personally.

Michael Tqabb
Dan and Vicki Tabb
And Family

Emmitt Ray Pratt dies February 14

Emmitt Ray Pratt, age 68 of Detroit, died Monday, February 14 at his home.

Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Wednesday, February 16 in the chapel of Fry & Gibbs Funeral Home with Rev. Calvin Minter officiating. Burial was in Bluff Cemetery in Red River County. Fry & Gibbs Funeral Home had charge of arrangements.

Mr. Pratt was born October 2, 1931 in Red River County to Emmitt and Gladys Williams Pratt. He graduated from Detroit High School in 1950 and served in the U.S. Navy. Mr. Pratt was a retired truck driver and member of the Methodist Church. He married Dell Marie Whitten Berryhill on April 2, 1998 in Hugo, OK.

Mr. Pratt is survived by his wife, Dell M. Pratt of Detroit; four stepchildren, Nita Berryhill of Detroit, Dianne Moore and Norma Parker, both of Bagwell and Wayne Berryhill of Haworth, OK; 14 grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren; three sisters, Dixie Chism and husband Harrell of Irving, Modie Johnson of Detroit and Sallie Dale and husband, Bubba of Garland; one brother, Morris Pratt and wife, Merle of Detroit; a special cousin, Nellie Ruth Pratt Abney of Arlington; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by a stepdaughter, Barbara Bridges; and a niece, Lisa Brown.

Serving as pallbearers were Paul Kent Lewis, Johnny Maynard, Ted Dale, John Mack Johnson, Pete Pearce and James Miller. Honorary bearers were James Dean, Pat Potter, Pat Williams, Floyd Maynard and Billy Edwards.

Florence I. Haskins dies February 8

Services for Florence I. Haskins, age 91 of Midland were held at 2:00 p.m. Friday, February 11 in McNett Funeral Home Chapel in Midland. Officiating was Rev. Neal Hollis of Midland. Burial followed in Andrews West Cemetery under the direction of McNett Funeral Home.

Florence died Tuesday, February 8 in Trinity Haven Healthcare Center in Midland. She was born July 7, 1908 in Lamar County. She married Elmer K. "Bud" Haskins on November 23, 1929 in Hugo, OK. Florence was a retired dental assistant. She lived in Hollis, OK for 46 years before moving to Midland in 1991. She attended Kelview Heights Baptist Church in Midland. Bud Haskins preceded her in death on June 22, 1991.

February 17, 2000
Doris Jenkins-Faught

Marshmallow Graham Dessert

1 package large marshmallows
2 cups milk
1-1/2 teaspoons lemon extract
1 can crushed pineapple-drained
2 cups whipped cream-shipped
2 cups graham cracker crumbs
1/2 cup butter or margarine-melted

In a heavy saucepan over low heat, melt marshmallows and milk. Remove from the heat. Cool; stirring occasionally. Stir in extract. Fold in pineapple and whipped cream. Combine cracker crumbs and butter. Press 1-1/2 cups into a greased 13 x 9 inch pan. Spread with the pineapple mixture. Sprinkle with the remaining crumb mixture. Refrigerate for 2-3 hours before serving. Yields 12-16 servings.

Bacon Breadsticks

6 bacon strips-halved lengthwise
12 crisp breadsticks-about 5 inches long
Wrap a piece of bacon around each breadstick. Place on a rack in an ungreased 15x10x 1-inch baking pan. Bake at 375 degrees for 20-25 minutes or until bacon is crisp. Yield 1 dozen.

Cream Cheese Salad

1 package miniature marshmallows
1 package cream cheese-8 ounces
1/2 pint whipping cream-whipped
20 ounce can pineapple chunks
1 cup chopped pecans
1 jar maraschino cherries-6 ounces

Whip cream and turn into large bowl. Whip cream cheese with juice from pineapple. Add to whipping cream. Add marshmallows, nuts, pineapple and cherries. Mix and serve.



Brunch Enchiladas

2 cups cubed ham-fully cooked
1/2 cup chopped green onions
1/2 flour tortillas
2 cups shredded cheddar cheese-divide
1 tablespoon all-purpose flour
2 cups half & half cream or milk
6 eggs-beaten
1/4 teaspoon salt-optional

Combine ham and onion. Place about 1/3 cup down center of each tortilla. Top with 2 tablespoons cheese. Roll up and place seam-side down in a greased 13x9x2-inch baking dish. In a bowl combine flour, cream, eggs and salt if desired, and beat until smooth. Pour over tortillas. Cover and refrigerate for 8 hours or overnight. Remove 30 minutes before baking. Cover and bake for 25 minutes at 350 degrees. Uncover and bake for 10 more minutes. Sprinkle with remaining cheese; bake 3 minutes longer or until cheese is melted. Let stand for 10 minutes before serving. Yield 10 enchiladas.

Vanilla Custard Cups

1 egg
1 cup milk
3 tablespoons brown sugar
3/4 teaspoon vanilla extract
1/8 teaspoon salt-optional
1/8 teaspoon ground nutmeg

In a bowl, beat egg, milk, brown sugar, vanilla and salt until blended. Pour into two ungreased 6 ounce custard cups. Sprinkle with nutmeg. Place cups in a 9-inch square baking pan. Fill pan with hot water to a depth of 1-inch. Bake uncovered at 350 degrees for 30-35 minutes or until knife inserted near center comes out clean. Yield 2 servings.

Simple Spanish Rice

1/2 cup chopped green peppers
1 medium tomato-peeled, seeded & diced
1/4 cup finely chopped onion
1 tablespoon vegetable oil
1/2 cup uncooked long grain rice
1 cup chicken broth
1/2 teaspoon salt-optional
1/4 teaspoon pepper

In a saucepan, saute pepper, tomato and onion in oil until tender. Add rice; cook and stir for 2 minutes. Stir in broth and salt and pepper. Bring to a boil; reduce heat and cover and simmer 25 minutes or until rice is tender. Yield 2 servings.

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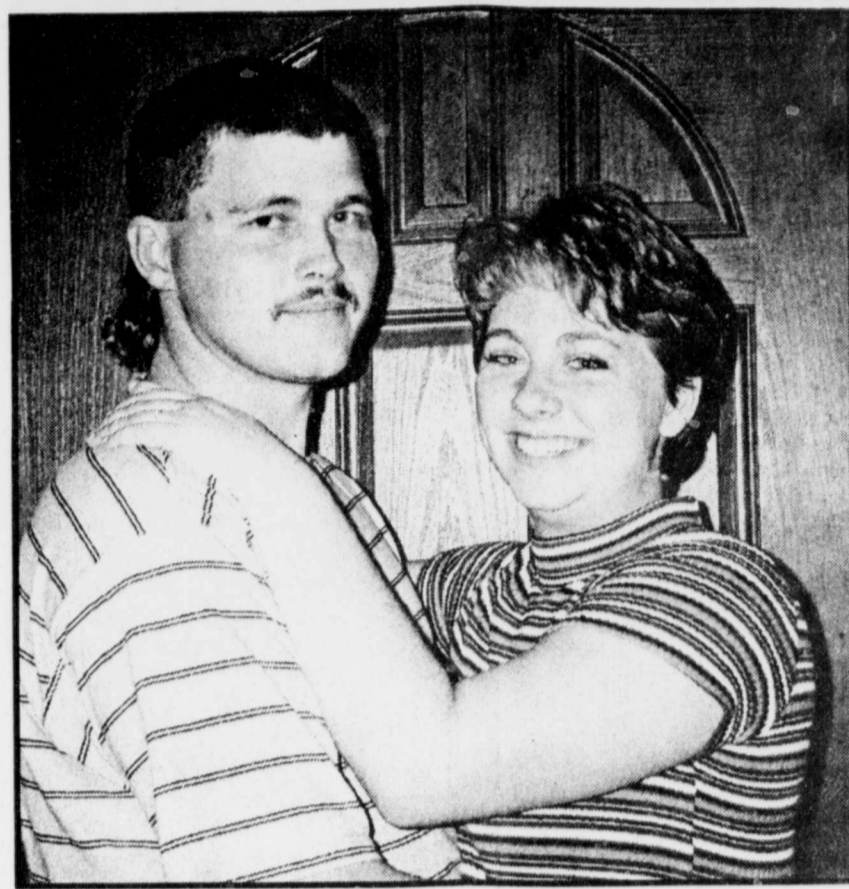


Robert H. (Bob) Allen
The family of Bob Allen would like to thank all our many wonderful friends who have been so kind in remembering us in prayer and with loving words for this great man. Bob passed away on February 2, 1999 at the age of 70. Throughout this past year, each of us has heard so many funny stories of your tales and antics with Bob. Be it fishing by a pool bank, exchanging stories while delivering Moorman's Feed, singing in a church choir or sipping morning coffee at his local diner, stories have poured in detailing ways that lives have been touched through Bob's generosity and insatiable spirit. Bob had one of the funniest, off the wall personalities that made him the life of the party. After every church social and dinner, he always remarked that the meal would have been real good if he just had a little popcorn to finish it off with. Of course, Bob always knew how to enjoy a great meal! Bob was a hero to kids of all ages. He probably couldn't have counted all the men in Lamar County who were once little boys who had to have their muscles checked by Bob to see if they were a "He-man" yet. Bob had an unwavering spirit of giving. He tried to help people work and opportunity, yet he never boasted about any of his good deeds. This was rare, considering that Bob was quite a "boaster" about his own antics and "fish stories".

As this first year passes, in some comforting way, we feel that Bob has not completely left us. Even though we know he is in Heaven enjoying a perfect association with God without the pain that his body had endured so heart-breakingly while here on earth, we see and feel a part of his spirit each day in the friends we see in the remembrances they've shared and in the lives he touched. Thank you all for loving this man; for to us, we feel we have been given a special gift by God to have been blessed so greatly in being his family.

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Michelle Ann Shelton announce engagement to Benjamin H. Decker

LeAnn Shelton to wed Benjamin Decker

Michelle LeAnn Shelton and Benjamin H. Decker will be married on Saturday, March 4, 2000 at 4:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Detroit. Bro. Danny Robbins will officiate the ceremony.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth W. Shelton, Sr. of Post Oak and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Freelan of Post Oak and Mrs. Eva Mackey of Post Oak. She is a graduate of Detroit High School and is employed by Stone Title Company as an escrow assistant in Paris.

Her fiance' is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Decker of Detroit and the grandson of Edward and Ella Nora Holdeman. He is employed by the Circle C Ranch.

No formal invitations will be sent. All friends and family are welcome to attend.

PCT to open spring production

Thursday, February 17 marks the opening of Paris Community Theatre's spring production, *Ah, Wilderness!* by Eugene O'Neill.

The production will run through February 27 with evening performances starting at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, February 17; 8 p.m. performance on February 18-19-25-26; and a 2:30 p.m. matinee on Sunday, February 27.

Known as one of O'Neill's funniest plays, the story centers on Nat Miller, his wife, Essie and their family during the Fourth of July, Connecticut 1906. The relationships between the parents and their children are shaken as the shifts from the restrictive mores of the Victorian era are challenged with the more progressive attitudes of the new century.

Ticket reservations may be made by calling 784-0259 after 1 p.m. on weekdays or by faxing your request to 784-4195.


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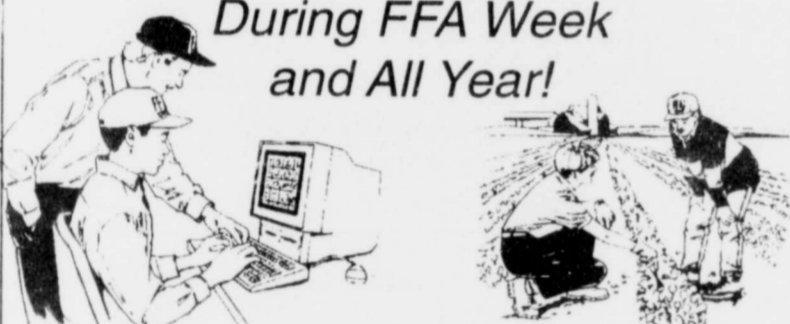
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Mathew Avret Vaughan graduates


Mathew Avret Vaughan, son of Steven L. Vaughan of Tomball and Karen L. (Pittman) Hove of Cedarville, Arkansas, graduated from Texas A & M University at College Station Saturday, December 18, 1999 with a Bachelor's Degree in Animal Science. Mathew recently has been employed by Pilgram Industries and is training in the Mount Pleasant area. Mathew is the grandson of Lawrence M. and Helen L. Vaughan of Overton and the late Mack and Wanda Pittman of Talco.

JMBC Auxiliary meets

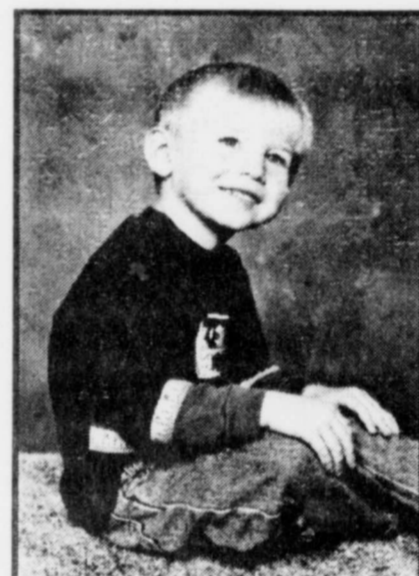
The Ladies Auxiliary of the Johurch held their regular monthly meeting on Sunday, February 13 at 5:30 with 10 ladies attending.

They are planning to print a new cookbook in the future and will have a church wide social on March 25. The Spring Party will be in the fellowship hall and hot dogs and hamburgers with the trimmings will be served. There will also be games in the gymnasium.

Attending were Clara Gaddis, Joyce Cox, Lee Hood, Gwendolyn Bowen, Billie Pirtle, Johan Turpin, Jerry Ann Richardson, Jana, Robbie and Kathy Hawkins.



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AUSTIN EASLEY-celebrated his 4th birthday on Sunday, February 13, 2000 with a party at the Bogata Community Center. The party theme was Hot Wheels. Attending and helping Austin celebrate were his parents, John and Regina Easley, grandparents, John and Nina Stoner and Tommie and Judy Easley of Sugar Hill and great grandfather, T.J. Williams of Kilgore, Tommie Williams of DeSoto, Julie, Kevin and Hunter Binion, Emily Ward, Craig, Tiffany and Callie Easley, Tim Easley, Ruth Brown, Hailey and Kaitlyn and Christy Kennedy, Ryan and Chris. Austin received many nice gifts.

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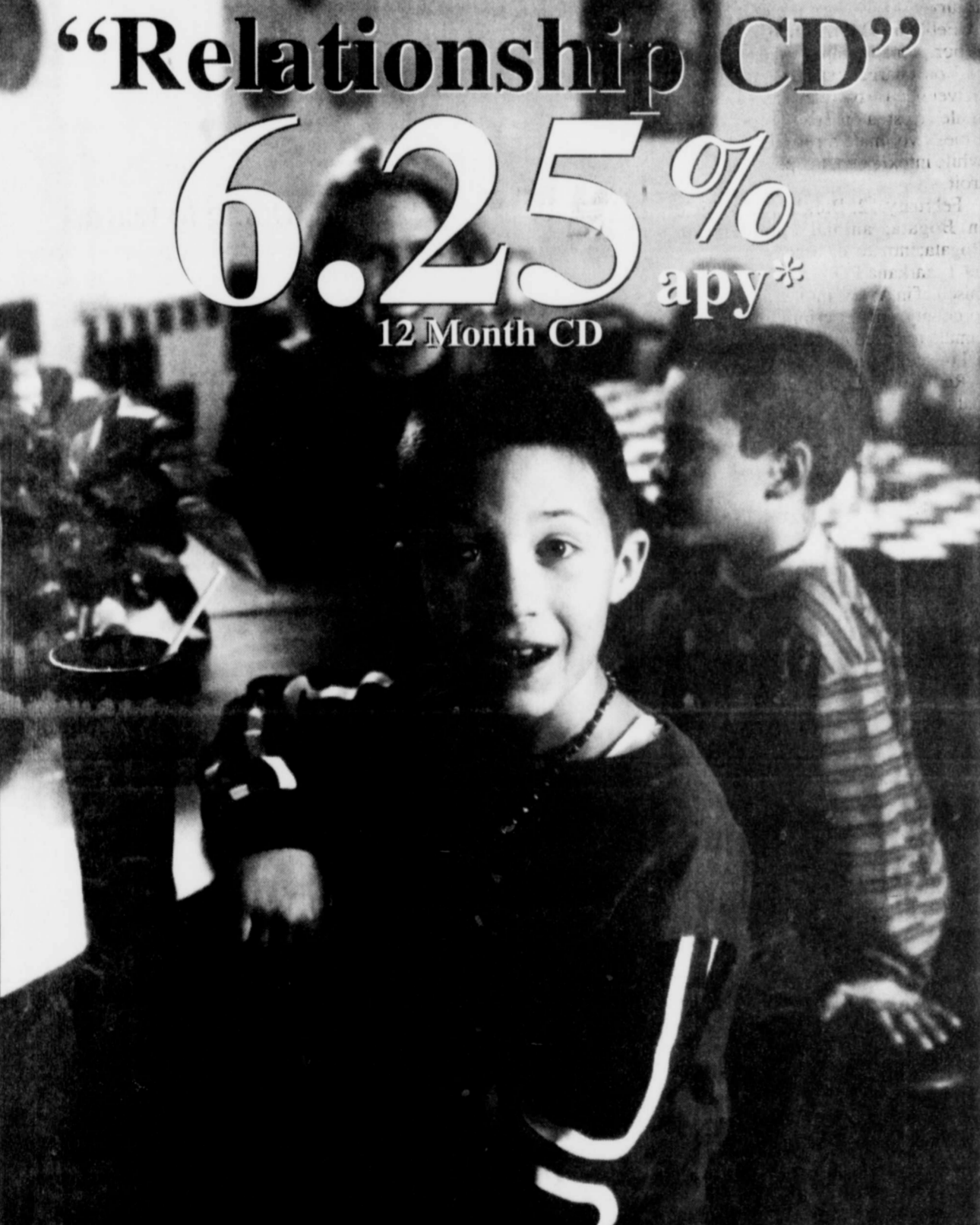
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HIGH TEA-Bogata Brownie Troop # 131 hosted a tea party recently. Attending were; (from the left) Taylor Stafford, Kari Taylor, Kaitlen Perkins, Callie Anderson, Kaley Stringfellow and Tamara Moore.

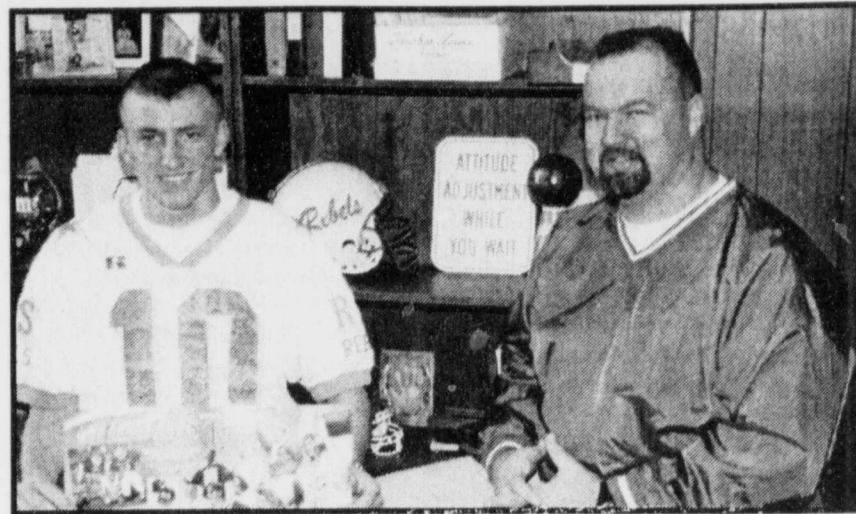
Rivercrest class of 1985 plans reunion

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

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

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

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CHANCE OF A LIFETIME-Rivercrest Rebel senior football quarterback/free safety, Cody Wolfe has been offered the chance of a lifetime. He has been selected to represent Rivercrest High School and Texas Football in the Down Under Bowl to be played in Australia in July. Cody must earn \$3,000 to attend. He is pictured in his familiar #10 Rebel jersey with Rebel Coach, Keith Brown and displays an order form for Down Under Bowl merchandise which he will be selling to help earn his way. Congratulations Cody!!! (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

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Bogata Brownie Troop host tea party

The Bogata Brownie Troop # 131 hosted a tea party Tuesday, February 8, 2000 at the United Methodist Church basement. Attending the tea party were troop leaders Kathy Stringfellow and Denise Wood, troop members, Taylor Stafford, Tamara Moore, Kari Taylor, Kaitlen Perkins, Callie Anderson, Kaley Stringfellow. Special guest were the girls favorite

dolls. The table was set in a formal tea setting complete with china dishes. Served as refreshments were hot chocolate, various finger sandwiches and a variety of cookies. A lesson in etiquette and manners were given to the girls and their guest and all enjoyed the affair.

Red River County Sheriff's Report
February 6-12

February 6: Minor accident on 271 south; inmate released on bail bond; inmate released on bail bond on two offenses; deliver emergency message; minor accident at 271 and 37; activated alarm in Bogata; theft on 37 south.

February 7: Inmate released on Red River County charges, released to Lamar County on their charges; inmate transported to county jail on bench warrant on failure to appear on driving while intoxicated and parole violation; burglary on FM1159; male arrested on view on offense of possession of controlled substance, possession of drug paraphernalia; inmate released with credit for time served; disturbance in Detroit; burglary of habitation in Bagwell; welfare concern; inmate released on bond.

February 8: Motorist assist on Hwy. 82 east; major accident; inmate transported from Bowie County to Red River County on warrant, endangering a child; female arrested on warrant, violation of probation, driving while intoxicated; male arrested on Dallas County warrant, burglary of habitation while confined in Red River County Jail; inmate transported

to county jail on assault; male arrested on warrant, violation of probation; criminal mischief on FM1699; activated alarm in Detroit; inmate released on bond.

February 9: Inmate transported to TDC; male arrested on two counts of violation of probation; minor accident in Detroit.

February 10: Response on harassment call; female arrested on Texarkana PD warrant, assault with bodily injury.

February 11: Animal complaint report; inmate transported to county jail on charges was arrested on no driver license two offenses speeding; male arrested on Texarkana charges times two; male arrested on driving while intoxicated; trespassing in Detroit.

February 12: Burglary of vehicle in Bogata; animal complaint in Bogata; inmate released on bail bond on Texarkana PD charges; criminal mischief in Avery; inmate transported to county jail on criminal trespass; inmate released on bail bond; criminal mischief in Avery.

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8th grade Lady Rebels need help

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The trip will cost approximately \$300 per Lady Rebel. Their parents will be sponsoring bake sales and will raffle off retired Beanie Babies and will be selling chances on a \$50 Wal-Mart Gift Certificate to earn funds. Your purchases will be greatly appreciated along with cash donations from local individuals and businesses.

The first bake sale will be held in Bogata on Friday, Feb. 18 beginning at 8:45 a.m. in front of the Bogata Guaranty Bank. On Friday, Feb. 25 beginning at 8:00 a.m. a sale will be held in Talco in front of the Talco Post Office. Raffle tickets will be available at both bake sales or call Deana Boyd at 632-4820 in Bogata or Sue Wilson at 379-3741 in Talco or see any 8th grade Lady Rebel parent to purchase a chance or make a donation. Help send the girls to Austin and someday be proud to see Rivercrest have a playoff team at Austin.

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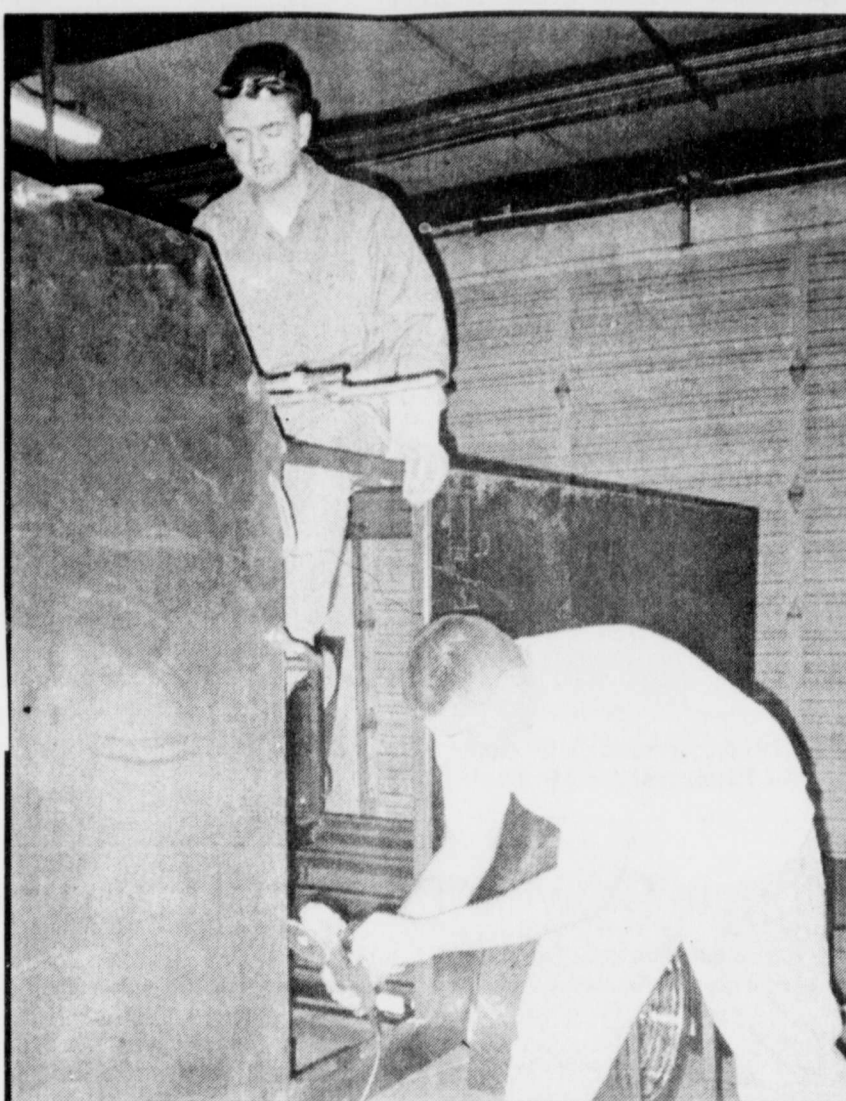


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RIVERCREST AG. MECHANICS-students (top) Matt Simmons and Craig Eudy sand and prepare a trailer for painting.

Cody Wolfe selected as Texas All Star

Rivercrest High School quarterback/free safety Cody Wolfe has been selected to play in the Down Under Bowl in Australia to represent Rivercrest High School and Texas Football. The team will play in games this July. "We are very excited about this once in a lifetime educational experience for Cody," said Keith Brown, Rivercrest Athletic Director/Head Football Coach/Principal.

Each player selected must raise \$3,000 to fund the trip. Cody is accepting both corporate and private donations, and will be selling the following merchandise: raffle tickets good for an all expense paid trip to the Down Under Bowl and three days

in Hawaii for \$2.00 per chance and T-shirts, jerseys, caps, sweaters and jackets promoting the Down Under Bowl for various prices.

Anyone who would like to donate money or purchase a chance or item from the merchandise listed may contact Cody at 632-5204 during the day Monday through Friday or at 379-7481 after 3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and on Saturday and Sunday. Donations may also be dropped off at the Rivercrest High School office.

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Guests will have the opportunity to mingle with candidates during the reception beginning at 7 p.m. The

forum will follow at 7:30 with questions to the candidates being allowed from the audience.

Candidates participating are John Lawrence of Pittsburg and Noble Willingham of Mineola, Bob Hill, Jim Snyder, Mike Mosher and Jeff Starnes, both of Paris.

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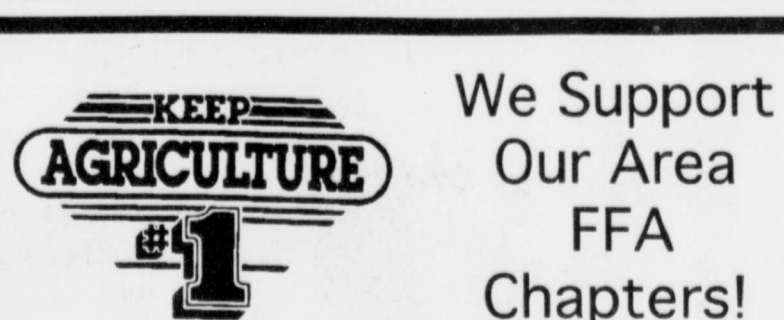
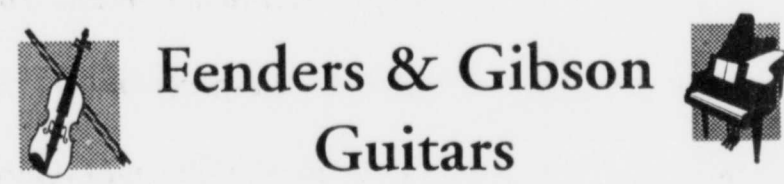


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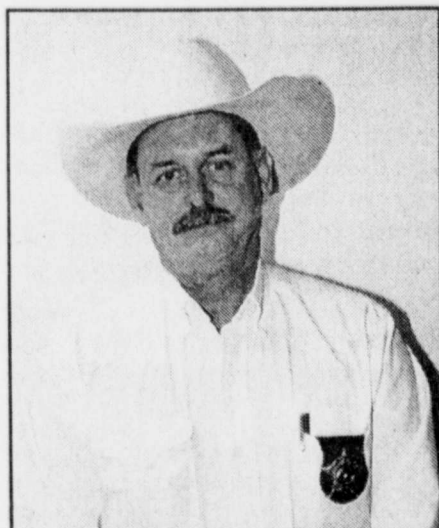
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SHARPENING UP-Rivercrest FFA student Brandon Jagers sharpens his knife for work in the Meat Lab.

TNP acquisition is approved

The Public Utility Commission of Texas unanimously voted Thursday to approve the acquisition of TNP Enterprises, Inc. by a private investor group. TNP is the holding company for Texas-New Mexico Power Company. A written final order from the commission is expected shortly.

All other necessary approvals of TNP's proposed acquisition have been received and all approvals are final, pending any appeals that might be made at the two state commissions. Assuming there are no appeals, the transaction would have all approvals concluded in early March. The parties are targeting late March

for the closing date.

Under the terms of the proposed transaction, an investor group will acquire the holding company, and TNMP will remain a stand alone utility. TNP shareholders will receive \$44 per share in cash when the transaction is completed. The transaction will convert TNP from a publicly held company to a privately held one.

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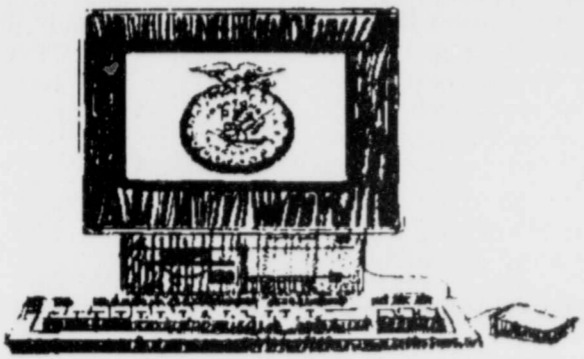
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BETAS-(back from the left) Shelly Hollis, Kendall Stansell, Sara Hollands, Ashlei Moles and (front from the left) Sam Stanley, sponsor, Mrs. Kuhlengel and Coleman Brown recently traveled to Austin to attend the State Convention and compete. Kendall Stansell reached the finals in Talent competition. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

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Drugs	25 years
Drugs	20 years
Burglary	25 years
Escape	20 years
Burglary	25 years
Forgery	16 years
Sex Assault/Child	35 years
Murder	37 years
Murder	37 years
Capital Murder	DEATH
Burglary	20 years
Murder	35 years
Burglary	20 years
Burglary	30 years
Drugs	15 years
Capital Murder	DEATH
Capital Murder	DEATH
Capital Murder	60 years
Organized Crime	50 years
Burglary	18 years
Drugs	20 years
Crim. Mischief	20 years
Drugs	10 years
Drugs	15 years
Drugs	25 years
Attempt Murder	15 years
Attempt Murder	26 years
Attempt Murder	20 years
Burglary	20 years
Sex Assault/Child	23 years
Sex Assault/Child	99 years
Sex Assault/Child	42 years
Sex Assault/Child	40 years
Indecency/Child	20 years
Sex Assault/Child	35 years
Sex Assault/Child	15 years
Burglary	40 years
Robbery	40 years
Burglary	40 years
Indecency/Child	30 years
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Burglary	15 years
Drugs	15 years

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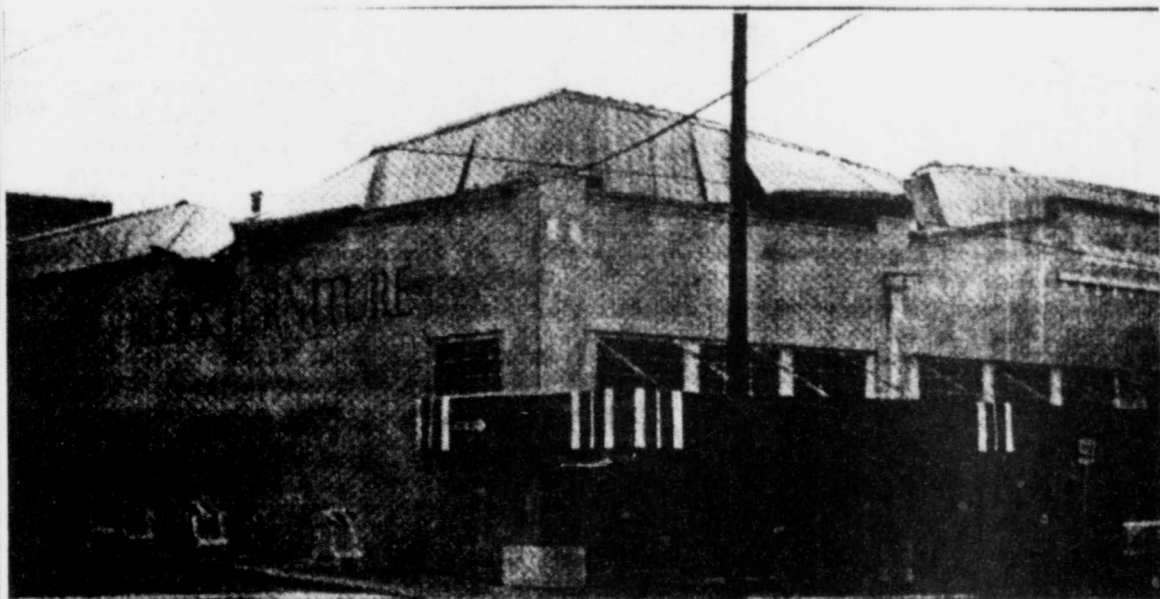
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Lunch
Pizza
corn
salad
strawberry short cake
crackers
milk

Tuesday

Breakfast
Cinnamon rolls
gramcrackers w/peanut butter
juice
milk
Lunch
Corn Chip Pie
ranch style beans
salad
jell-o
crackers
milk

Wednesday

Breakfast
Sausage biscuits
jelly & butter
juice
milk
Lunch
Ham & Cheese sandwiches
french fries
baked beans
pickle spears
milk

Thursday

Breakfast
Waffles w/syrup
juice
milk
Lunch
Chicken nuggets
cream potatoes w/gravy
green beans
rolls
milk

Friday

Breakfast
Cereal
toast
juice
milk
Lunch
Cheeseburgers
salad
seasoned beans
chips
ice cream
milk



STILL HAS THE TOUCH-Talco-Bogata School Counselor and ex-Lady Rebel Tiffany Parish Easley had her name drawn at the Chisum Mustang gym on Tuesday night to take a chance on one shot from mid-court for a crisp \$50 bill. Surprise! Tiffany has not lost her touch she baseball threw the ball, it hit the backboard and swung through the net. A smiling Tiff displays her \$50.00. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

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*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.
*The VFW will be starting a pool tournament on Tuesday night at 7:00 pm. Everyone is invited to come out for competition and fellowship.
*Happy Birthday to Neva Harvill, Marie Carr, Ross Griffin, Helen Barnette, Jackie Gray and Carolyn Coggins.
*Get Well Wishes are sent to Jewell Harper, Melvin Pointer, Mildred Eudy, Jean Smith and Deon McKeggan.



JOSH GRIFFIN-Rivercrest FFA student chips away the bad beads on welded metal.



DONATION-James Gaddis is pictured accepting a copy machine donated to the Bogata Library/Museum by Gaston Puckett of the Bogata Housing Authority. The machine will be put to good use in the future. The Library/Museum is still in need of monetary donations to help purchase shelving material and many other necessary items. All donations small or large are greatly appreciated. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Bogata Homecoming to be held Saturday, April 8, 2000

The Bogata Homecoming will be held on Saturday, April 8, 2000 and is planned around lunch. Lunch will be served from 12:00 noon to 1:30 p.m. No reservations are necessary. The gym will be open at 10:00 a.m. for those who wish to meet before lunch. Following lunch there will be a program, business meeting and visiting in the school gym. Hosts for this year are classes of 1952 and 1953. For more information you may call; Mary Ann Alsbrook Williams at 632-4013, Frances Mayes Rozell at 632-5752 or Mary Margaret Barnard Vaughan at 632-5221. Mark your calendar and make plans to attend for a fun day of seeing old friends, making new friends and sharing a good meal.

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Editor's Quotes

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VALENTINE KING AND QUEEN-at Red River Haven Nursing Home in Bogata this year are Grady Childress and Mary Duke. A Valentine banquet was held and refreshments were served to residents and staff. Activities Director, Sandra Mauldin expressed special thanks to Lawanza Barnard, Ruth Brown, Annette Skaggs, Carron Herring for their help with the occasion and to all who provided refreshments for the banquet.

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JOHNTOWN NEWS
By Jana Hawkins

After school guests of Haley and Heather Hawkins on Friday were Jill Shirley and Cassie McCuller. Koren Hawkins guest was Lindsey Robertson. At 8:00 p.m. all the girls attended a Lock-In held at the Bogata Baptist Mission. The girls returned to Heather and Haley's Saturday morning for a day of playing basketball and 4 wheeler riding. Koren and Haley visited with their grandmother, Robbie Hawkins. Jana, Hana, Heather and Cassie enjoyed shopping and eating in Mt. Pleasant. All the girls attended the Junior High Valentine Dance at Rivercrest on Saturday night. Cassie returned home with Heather to spend the night and attended church on Sunday morning with the family. Jana, Hana and Haley Hawkins enjoyed visiting with James Gibbs in their home. James treated the girls to supper. Pauline Gibbs and Frances Lee were attending their Art class.

Adam, Tracy, Aaron and Joshua Eudy visited in the home of Mark and Jana Hawkins after the Valentine's Banquet held at the Johtown Missionary Baptist Church Saturday evening. The Johtown Missionary Baptist Church hosted a Valentine's Banquet Saturday night. 51 youth and adults enjoyed the fellowship. The men grilled chicken and everyone brought the trimmings to complete the meal. Mark Hawkins, Elmer Green and Adam Eudy played guitar, bass guitar and drums and everyone enjoyed singing or just listening to the music and singing.



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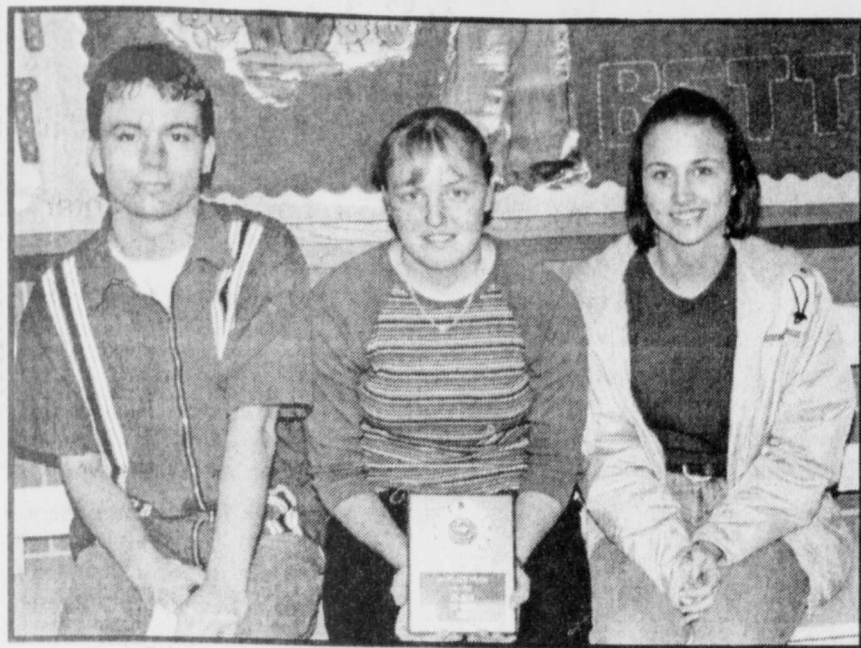
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KIRK KING, KIM SHIRLEY AND KARA PALMER- members of the Rivercrest High School Number Sense Team placed 1st in the PJC/North Lamar Invitational UIL Meet on Feb. 5, 2000. Kara received a 1st place medal, Kirk received a 3rd place medal and Kim received a 5th place ribbon. The team received a first place plaque for their efforts. Congratulations students! (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Talco Locals

By Nancy Brown
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Visiting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Brown on Wednesday were Kim and Quinton Anderson and Tonya Hawkins.

Judy and Tim Easley of Sugar Hill, Regina, Tyler and Austin Easley of Bogata visited in the new home of cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Harris and children, in Elysian Fields Saturday. Also visiting were Tommie Williams of DeSoto and T. J. Williams of Kilgore.

Kip Stansell was treated and released at Titus County Regional Hospital last week. He is reported doing well.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Graf spent the day shopping in Shreveport, LA. Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Hall celebrated their Feb. 9, 2000 wedding anniversary with supper at Red Lobster in Greenville on Sunday, Feb. 6.

Sue Nolen was treated and released at Titus County Regional Hospital last week. She is reported doing well.

Weekend visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Easley were T.J. Williams of Kilgore and Tommie Williams of DeSoto. Mr. Williams returned on Tuesday and attended the Rivercrest boys basketball game in support of the team and to see great grandson, Tyler Easley perform with the Rivercrest PIPS.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Roger Hall Saturday were James and Betty Hall of Minden, LA., Betty Jones and Jessica Johnston of Ft. Worth, Jabo and Merry Robertson, Nita Robertson, Mason Stewart all of Mt. Pleasant, Bryan and Susan Jones and Crystal Rivers of Winfield, Chasity and Caley Francis and Camen Calvin of Bogata. The family celebrated Lou and Roger's 27th wedding anniversary.

Jack Brown and Jennifer Allmon traveled to Reunion Arena in Dallas Friday evening to attend the Judd's Concert.

Tommie and Judy Easley will celebrate their 36th wedding anniversary February 21, 2000.

Happy February Birthday to Rachel Ward, Amber Lum, Mabry O'Keefe, Scott Lum and Marie Norman.

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Red River Healthcare News

Visiting residents at Red River Healthcare Center this past week were:

Resident, Melvin Pointer-Daphne Pointer and Georgie Hudson.

Resident, Inez Henson-Richard Swarts and Wanda Morgan.

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

Resident, Percy Topping-Carrine Alford, Lucille Pettit and John Topping.

Resident, Ada Holmes-Maudie Lee and Ruth Lee.

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Resident, Vernona Young-Carol Young, Kim Matthews, Betty Brock, Don, Peggy and John Brock, Kevin Matthews.

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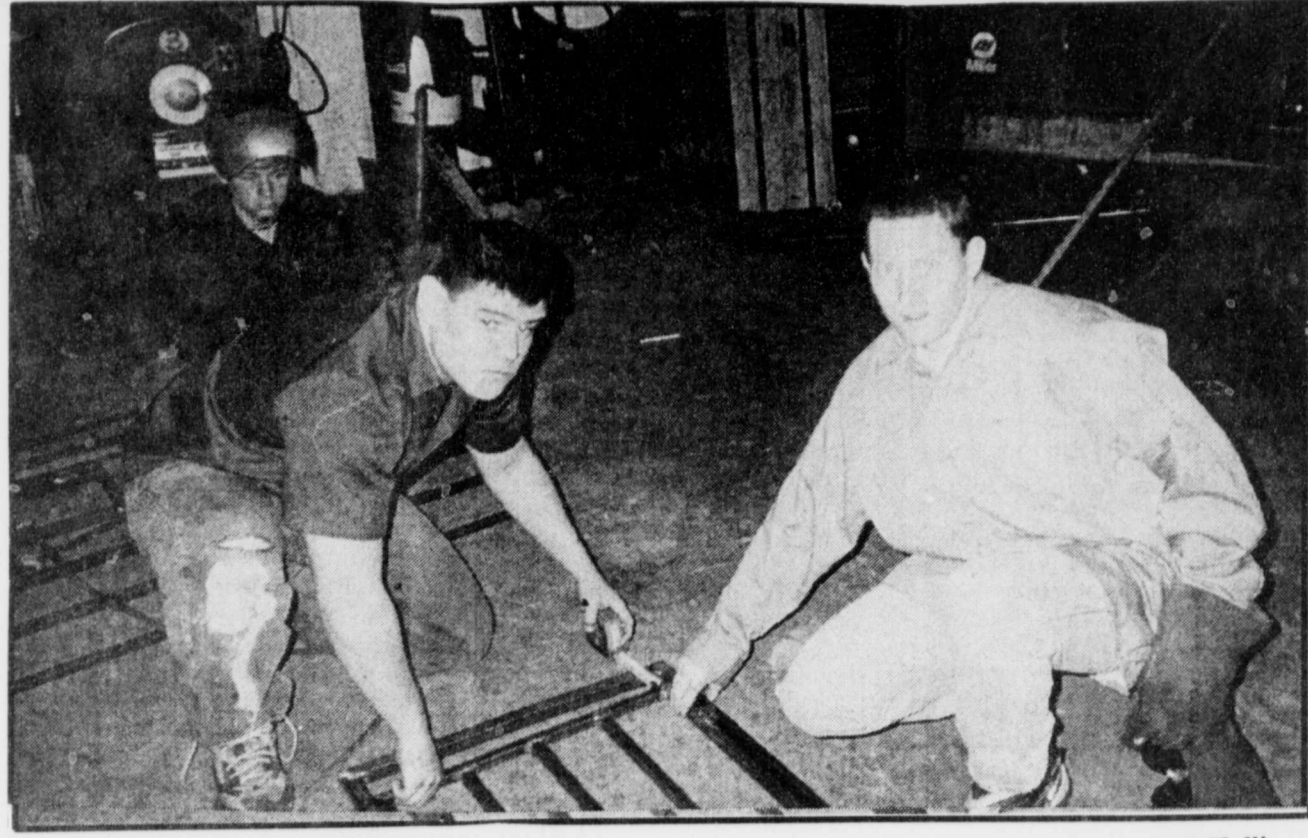
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RIVERCREST FFA-students (back) Scotty Goodwin, (front from the left) Luis Torres and Hollis Grimes measure and weld on an interior trailer gate.

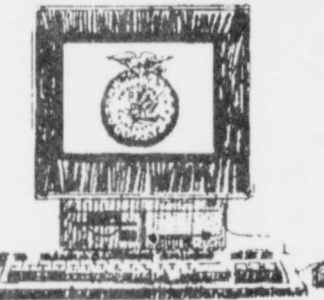
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**LETTER TO THE
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Dear Editor,
My mother, Jane Strawn, has been a school teacher at the Bogata school for twenty-one years. She has really taught longer, but the school did not include the years she was a substitute teacher. I experienced my mom as a teacher several times while I was going to school myself.

My mother was always organized, taught the lessons she was supposed to, and created a structured environment for the children. She was also interested in helping the children thrive in the learning process. The same teaching by her holds true today. I know this because of the evaluations she has received, conversations we have had, and from positive comments I have gotten through the years. This day and time credit and hard work is not recognized when it is due. It is a shame when a person like my mother has to put up with nonsense and untruths from the public and does not get support from peers when it is needed and warranted. I will tell you this...NO ONE could ever pay me enough money to be a school teacher in today's world. Isn't it sad?


I also want to express my opinion about something else. Before a person accuses another of a wrong they should explore their own wrongs in life because chances are other people know your wrongs and just have not brought these items to your attention because maybe these people are above that. I am thankful for the teachers we have in this community, including my mother. Some school systems do not have the years of experience in teaching children that the Bogata School possesses. We as a community should be thankful and committed to our teachers. My mother has been a teacher at home for almost 35 years and what a wonderful one she has been. Momma, I am thankful for what you have done for me, I support you and I give you all of the credit for the person I am today. I love you.
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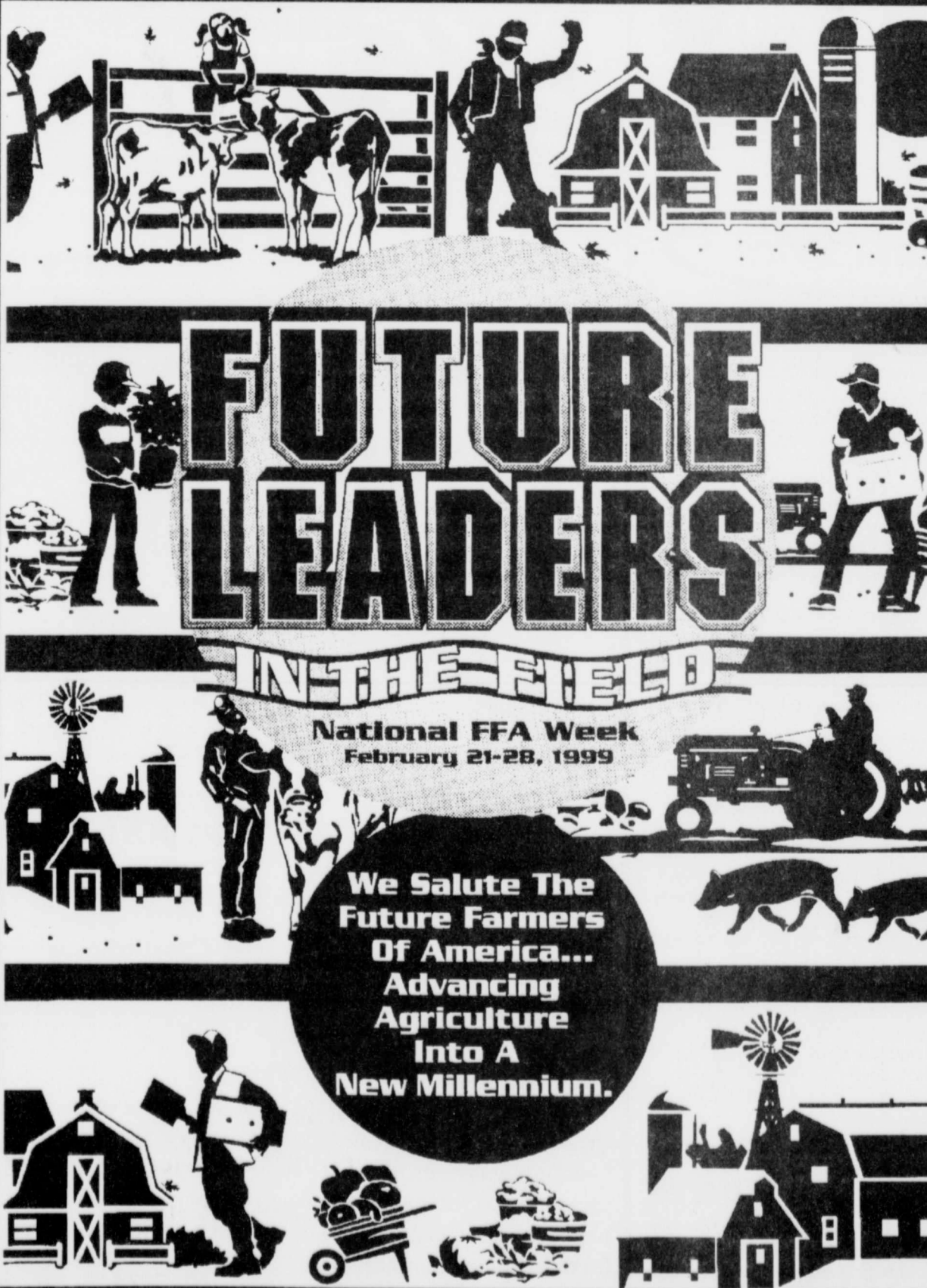



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Rivercrest Rebels are District Champions

On Tuesday, Feb. 8 the Rivercrest Rebels traveled to Chisum for their next to the last game of district play. The Rebels who had only lost one game needed to take the win over the Mustangs to remain in the first place position. When the two teams had met earlier in the season at Rivercrest the Rebels had pulled off a slim win and it was expected to be another tough game. The first tip of the ball went to the Rebels and Michael Galloway was first to score for the team. After one quarter of play the Rebels had the Mustangs down 15-7 and they never broke their stride as they went on to an easy win 61-44. One highlight of the game came in the second quarter when Rebel Chase Collins set the crowd to roaring with a big slam dunk. Keith Hines led the Rebel scoring with 23 points followed by Chase Collins with 17. Also scoring were Michael Galloway, Kyle Stansell, Josh Griffin, Kerry Posey and Myron Ellis.

On Friday the Rebels had a bye but the Mustangs met Prairiland and Chapel Hill took on Paul Pewitt. It was an upset night as the Patriots defeated the Mustangs and the Red Devils defeated the Bulls leaving Rivercrest as sole owner of the district 1st place. The Rebels remaining game vs Paul Pewitt on Tuesday, Feb. 15 was unimportant as far as the standing but on a personal line it was very important for the Rebels to redeem themselves.

At Rivercrest on Tuesday the JV Rebels started off the action. They also had been defeated at Paul Pewitt earlier in the season. The Rebels played an excellent game and led the Bulls throughout the game but in the final quarter the Bulls pushed hard for the win. The game went down to the final 2 seconds when a Pewitt shot missed its mark and left the young Rebels with a 38-36 win.

Prior to the varsity game the senior Rebels and their parents were recognized. Each young man presented his mother with a red rose. Seniors and their parents are Brandon Bell son of Mr. and Mrs. Regan Bell of Bogata, Coleman Brown son of Mr. and Mrs. Nicky Brown of Talco, Cody Wolfe, son of Ann Francis of Talco and Scott Wolfe of Paris, Josh Griffin son of Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Griffin of Bogata and Ryan Case son of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Case of Talco. The boys will be missed on next year's team.

Following the introduction of the seniors and parents Principal/Coach Keith Brown made a special presentation to Lady Rebels Head Coach, Debbie Williams who was presented a plaque in honor of her 200 team win this season.

The game began with the Rebels taking the first tip of the ball and being first to score. The comfort of the home court advantage paid off and the Rebels led 20-8 after one quarter. Josh Griffin did and outstanding job on the defense in his

final home appearance as a Rebel player and Chase Collins went up for 9 points plus 2 that were taken back due to a goal tending call. Keith Hines and Michael Galloway added points and lefty, Kyle Stansell hit a trey. The Bulls made a strong attempt to come back in the second keeping the Rebels from scoring for nearly 3 minutes of the quarter. Keith Hines made one of two free shots to begin his offensive game in the quarter and finished with 11 points. Galloway added 4 and Kerry Posey made the Rebel crowd cheer as he prevented a slam dunk by Pewitt's Hercules Tarver, even though he did draw a foul. Half time score 34-22 Rebels.

In the third Collins went on a scoring drive netting 11 points. Galloway hit a trey and free shot and Stansell and Posey added free shots to continue to hold the lead. The final quarter saw the Rebels slack off somewhat but they took a 67-51 win and the entire Rebel bench got playing time. High scorer for the game was Chase Collins with 26 points. The Rebels enjoyed the traditional cutting down of the net following the game.

The Rebels win leaves them by-passing the Bi-District play off. They will play possibly Feb. 25 for Area and a win at Area will send them to the Quarter Final Regional Playoff possibly the first week in March. Places and times will be announced as soon as they are available.

Bogata readers rewarded Feb. 14

Bogata 6th-7th and 8th grade students who have earned 35 points or more in the Accelerated Reader Program were treated to popcorn and the movie Tarzan on Monday, February 14. The event was sponsored by the Bogata Student Council.

Students attending and points earned are as follows:
Mandy Crawford-46.1
Sarah Hare-64.5
Adam Horn-45.0
Aaron Palmer-41.9
Latrell Smith-38.8
Dana Speir-49.7
Baillie Spencer-53.2


Wendy Stewart-41.3
Jill Shirley-55.6
Kerri Simmons-109.7
Kacey VanDeaver-72.0
Cynthia Bassett-43.8
Angela Brown-42.2
Ashley Lehman-106.0
Saleena Whitaker-39.8

Paige Boyd-54.2
Micah Chaloner-49.3
Mandy Riffle-35.0

Teachers Becky Alsop and Kathy Stringfellow sponsor the reading program and are very proud of their students accomplishments thus far this year.

Organization trying to locate former members

The USS Saint Paul CA 73 and USS Minneapolis-Saint Paul SSN-708 will hold its 10th reunion on August 22 in Colorado Springs, CO. The organization is trying to locate former crew members. Your help will be appreciated. For information, please contact George M. Takis, Jr., Secretary, 125 Spalding Drive NE, Atlanta, GA 30328.




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Lady Rebels out of the running

The Rivercrest Lady Rebel varsity traveled to Chisum on Tuesday night for their last chance at a playoff spot. In the first quarter of play Chisum took the first tip of the ball but the game went 2 full minutes before a score was made. The Lady Rebels could not score but played good one on one defense going to and under the goal drawing key fouls. The first free shot taken was not counted due to a player being on the line but the second shot did for the first Lady Rebel score of the game with just over 2 minutes left in the quarter. Four more free shots and a field goal were added but the Lady Rebels still trailed 10-7. The Lady Mustangs had 9 fouls and the Lady Rebels had only 2 at the quarters end. In the second Jill Foster's height paid off as she tied the ball up and made steals for the Lady Rebels. Kim Shirley and Tiffany Prentice also got their share of steals and the Lady Rebel team played great defense. Scores from Kim Ross, Shirley, Prentice, Foster, Missy Carroll and Cassee Wilcox moved the Lady Rebs to within 2 points at the half. Score 23-21 Chisum.

In the third Kim Ross skipped to the goal to score right off and added 9 points through the quarter but the Lady Rebels began to beat themselves. They could not inbound the ball and over 15 points were scored by the Lady Mustangs following the ball being returned to them after the Lady Rebels had failed to get the ball in play from out of bounds. The Lady Rebels who have been shooting the treys all year successfully made their first 2 three points attempts during the quarter and missed both. The quarter ended with Lady Mustangs holding their largest lead of the evening 49-32. The final quarter saw the Lady Rebels fail to make 12 free shots. And although they sent key Lady Mustang players to the bench Kim Ross and Missy Carroll I were both lost to foul trouble. Ross had finally hit a trey as had Kim Shirley. Cassee Wilcox and Erica Williams came off the bench to do a good job for the team but the mold had been set. Final 65-54.

High scorer for the game was Kim Ross with 16 points followed by Tiffany Prentice with 15. Also scoring were Kim Shirley-8, Missy Carroll-8, Jill Foster-3, Cassee Wilcox-1 and Erica Williams-2. The Lady Rebels will miss senior players Tiffany Prentice, Missy Carroll, Jill Foster and Cara Morgan next season. The team has been a major part of the recovery process for the Lady Rebel teams. Being one game out this year may see the team one game in next year. Good job Coach Debbie Williams and Lady Rebels!!!!



PLAYOFF SHIRTS-Rivercrest varsity Rebel Kerry Posey and senior student Carolina Prado display the front and back of the playoff shirts being sold by the Rivercrest Athletic Department. The shirts are short sleeved and cost \$10 each and will be sold first come, first served at the Rivercrest High School office. Support the Rebels as they enter the playoffs. Call 632-5204 to reserve your shirt. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Rabies confirmed in Lamar County

A case of rabies in a dog has been confirmed in Lamar county and a number of people are having to take rabies shots.

The dog was found to have been infected by a skunk.

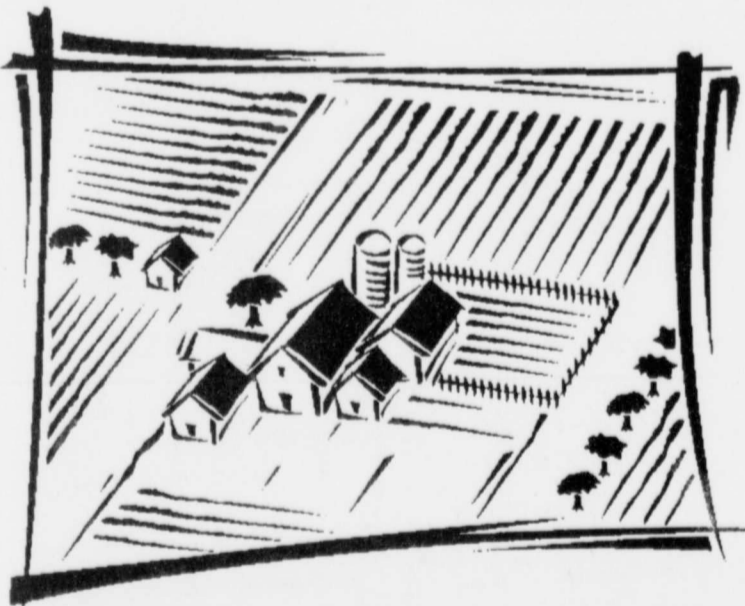
Confirmed cases of rabies occurred in Red River County in 1999.

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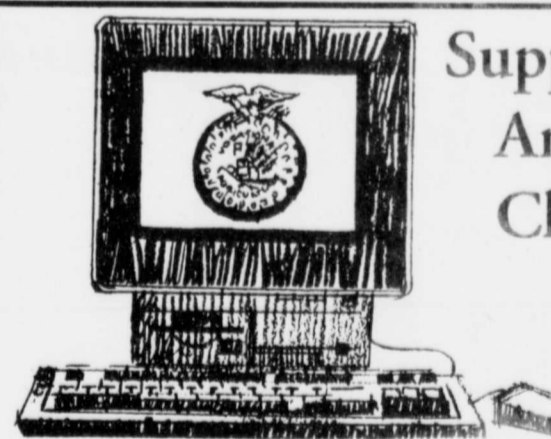
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Commissioners Report for January

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In Commissioners Court this month we approved audit for Fiscal

Year 1999, approved classification of roads in Precinct 1 and Precinct 4, approved burn ban for Red River County, approved authorizing contract to hire Ginger Cook to seek funds to restore the Red River County Courthouse, approved nominees for Salary Grievance Committee for the year 2000 and approved bids on salvage metal guard rail in Precinct 4.

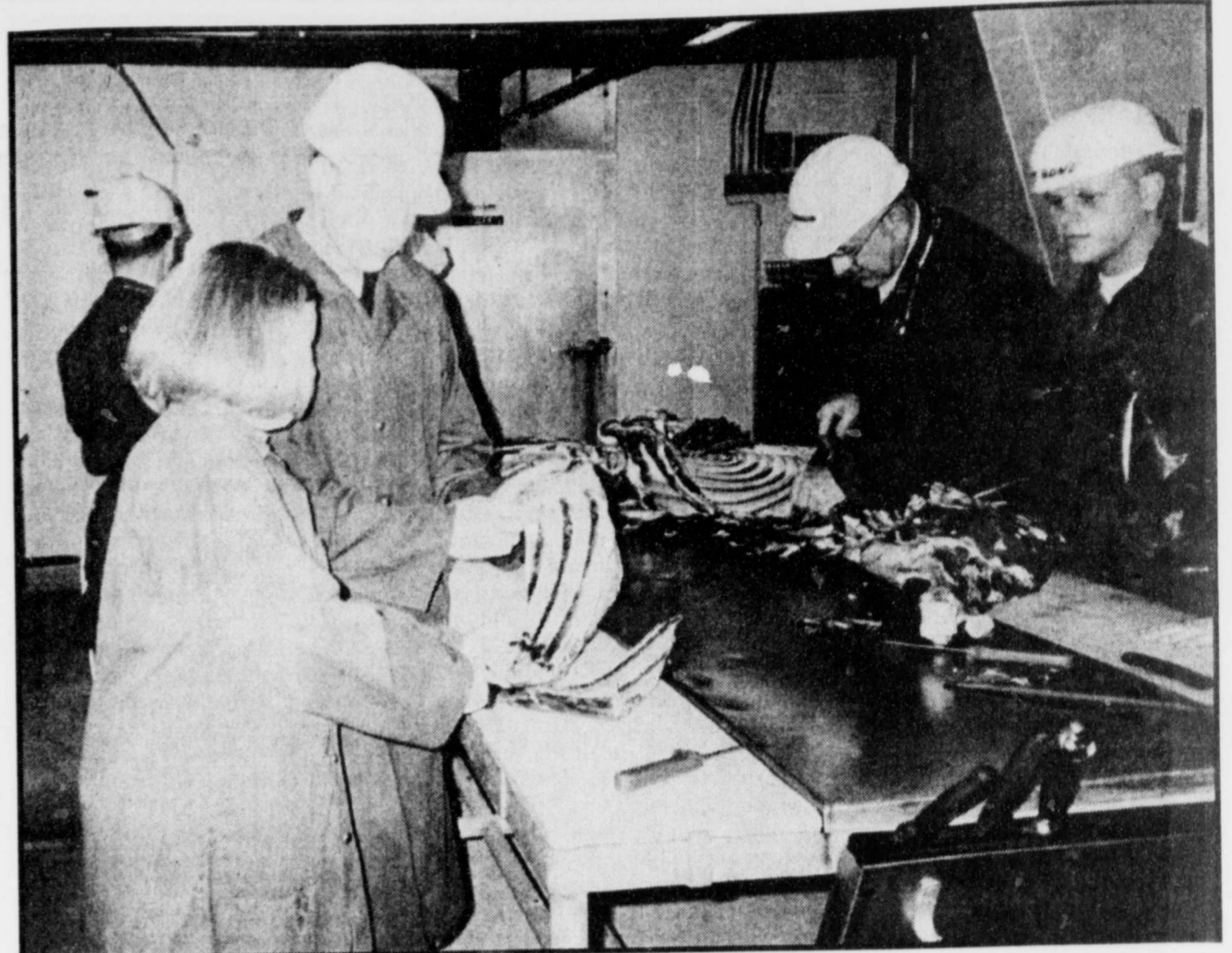
If you have any questions or comments please feel free to come by or call me at 632-5963.

Bogata Methodist Women Meet

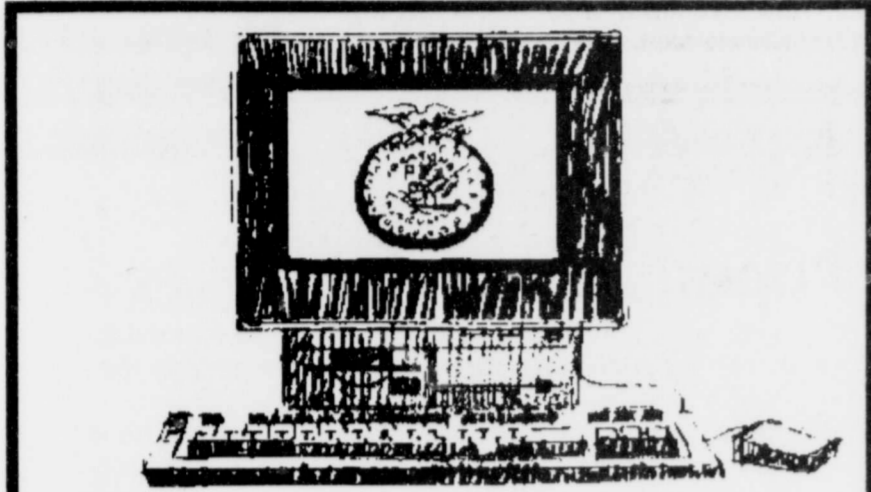
The Bogata Methodist Women met Wednesday, February 9, 2000 in the Fellowship Hall for their regular meeting. Bess Ruthart opened the meeting with prayer.

The first part of the video, "American's Lost Dream, Our True History and Godly Heritage", was shown. It was based on the original dream in the hearts of our founding fathers that we be "one nation under God". America has an incredible heritage. This video took the group through a time tunnel into the past and back into the future; the Mayflower Compact, Civil War, Vietnam, to the gang days of the present. The country seems to have forgotten this dream but it can be recaptured and the country can be put back on track.

Judy Marshal presided at the business session. The meeting closed with dismissal prayer. Members in attendance were: Roberta Anderson, Gertie Choate, Mary K. Cotten, Dorothy Gill, Gale Hervey, Eleanor McCluer, Judy Marshal, Margie Myers, Anna Belle Patton, Bess Ruthart, Anita Stubblefield and Edith Swain.



TRIMMING OUT THE RIBS-Rivercrest Ag. teacher Craig Ingram teaches students Mitchell Jean (next to Ingram on the right) and Jared White and Sissy Meredith (on the left) the art of trimming and cutting beef ribs.



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VALENTINE BALLOONS-filled the Rivercrest Band Hall on Monday as the Band Booster Members and Band students prepared each order. The sales of the balloons will go to help with all band activities throughout the rest of the year. Pictured are; (from the left) Kissryn Munns, Nadine Ward, Misti Tucker, Sharlene Perry and Cassie Perry. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Junior High students enjoy Valentine dance Feb. 12

The Bogata Student Council sponsored a Valentine Dance on Saturday, February 12, 2000 for students in grades 6 through 8. 39 students attended from Talco and 58 students from Bogata attended.

Serving as D.J.'s for the evening were Ryan Hawkins, Danielle East-erling and Dustin Cox. Chaperones for the event were Talco Principal,

Kelly Stansell, Bogata Principal, Bill Mabry, Becky Alsup, Melanie Moore, Deana Boyd and Linda Crawford. All the students had a wonderful time.

The Bogata Student Council and sponsor, Becky Alsup would like to thank Rivercrest Band Director, Mr. Taylor for the use of the sound system and Danielle, Dustin and Ryan for serving as D.J.'s.

••••• Talco Church of Christ ••••• Calendar of Events

Regular Sunday Services: 9:45 Bible class; Morning Service: 10:45 a.m.; Evening Service: 6:00 p.m. Monday Bible Study hosted by various members weekly: 7:00 p.m. Wednesday regular service: 7:00 p.m.

February 20-Free children and adult clothing will be available at the church from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

February 23-27: Northeast Texas Bible Lecturship at Talco Wednesday through Sunday daily 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

March 4-Youth Rally
Brother Bryan Hodge would like to invite everyone to attend. He also reports 2 people from Talco community received Bibles for responding to the quiz in the last issue of House to House. Congratulations! The next issue will be out soon.

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JOHNNIE'S USED FURNITURE and Appliances: We buy, sell or trade anything of value. We pay top dollar for good used furniture and appliances. Will buy all or portions of estates. West side of Market Square in Paris, TX, 330 Second SW. Phone 903-737-0979, Paris or 903-652-2084, Cunningham, TX. MA t/c

BACKROOM FLORAL DESIGN: New line of "Dreamscapes" for every day & the new millenium. 25% off copper art. Plants, fresh & silk arrangements. Open all day Saturday; 12-6 Sunday. 903-632-2003, 1-800-981-6922. Touch of Country Florist & Gifts, Mt. Vernon, 903-537-2042. MA t/c

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MATTRESS SALE: Twin set, \$19 down; full, \$29 down; queen, \$39 down; king, \$49 down. Instant credit, no interest or finance charges and free delivery. Save-More Furniture, 1806 W. Main, Clarksville, TX. M-F, 9-6; Sat, 9-5. MA t/c

271 MOTEL & SNACK: Your home away from home. Hwy. 271, Talco. Cordell Alexander, 903-379-5411. MA t/c

FOR SALE: Queen size sleeper sofa, \$150. 903-632-4581. MA 2-17

FOR SALE: Two couches in good condition. 903-632-4780. MA 2-24

NEW MATTRESSES: Twin, \$39 each piece. Full, \$59 each piece. Queen, \$159 set. King, \$199 set. Queen size pillow top sets starting at \$269. Low prices guaranteed. Mattress Factory Outlet, 310 W. Ferguson, (271-N), Mt. Pleasant, Texas. 800-988-6504. MA 2-24

Homes & Real Estate
FOR SALE: Working ranch, hay operation, 812 acres, SE Lamar County. Seven-wire fences, stock ponds, barns, pens, 1/4 mile from Hwy. 271. No agents. 903-652-4205 or 652-5823. MA t/c

HOME FOR SALE, 370 Monroe St., Deport, 2BR, 1B with washer & dryer connections, on large lot. 903-652-5823, 652-4564, 652-9602 or 652-4072. MA t/c

FOR SALE: 2BR, 1B, frame home, excellent condition. Garrison Real Estate, 903-632-4346. MA t/c

RED RIVER COUNTY: 62 acres, highway frontage, community water, openpasture with large trees, pond, building sites. Cuthand area. \$825/ac. 972-342-3902. MA 2-24

FOR SALE: 3BR, 1B, 1600 sq. ft. home on triple lot in Talco, near school. Newly remodeled and new siding. Asking \$17,500. 903-379-2099 or 379-3491. MA 2-24

FOR SALE: 2BR, 1B, frame house with carport and utility. 223 S.W. 2nd, Bogata. 903-632-5890. MA 2-24

FOR SALE TO BE MOVED: 107 N.W. 3rd St. in Bogata. Make an offer. 903-632-5999. MA 3-2

FOR RENT
FOR RENT in Bogata: 2B frame within 1 block of school. 972-606-0750 after 7 p.m. MA t/c

HOUSE FOR RENT in Bogata. Call 903-632-4543. 2-17

Vehicles

FOR SALE: 1995 V6 Camaro, Patriot Red, automatic, 59,000 miles. One owner, good condition, \$10,000.00. 903-632-4437. MA t/c

FOR SALE: 1988 Ford Ext. Cab. 302 V8, automatic, good tires, good work truck, \$3,800; King wood heater with blower, \$50; exercise bike, \$25. 903-652-3521. MA 3-2

FOR SALE: 1995 Lumina 7 passenger wagon. 56k miles, clean, loaded. 903-632-5728 after 6 p.m. MA 3-2

FOR SALE: 1982 Ford F150 pickup, SWB, TS, TD, 300 6 cyl., 3-speed with OD. Extra clean, \$1,600. 903-632-4612. MA 3-2

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

HAY FOR SALE: Call Thomas Nichols, 903-652-5823 or 652-4205. nc

HAY FOR SALE: Large round bales. 903-632-5685. MA 2-24

Services

MEAT PROCESSING: Catfish fillets; chicken; beef and pork. All retail cuts. Beef by the side or quarter. Call for prices. Detroit Locker Plant, Detroit, TX. Pork, chicken, fish. Call 903-674-6911. If no answer, call 903-674-2352. We accept food stamps. MA t/c

HOUSELEVELING-Carpentry work. Call Randy or Brandon Miller, 903-632-4870. MA t/c

STARCOY SPRAYING SERVICE-Trees, termites, pests. Call Randy or Donna Miller, 903-632-4870 or 1-800-293-2627. MA t/c

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WRIGHT'S EXCAVATING: Clean out ponds, lakes, roads, pads, timber clearing, city streets, Swamp Dozers, Dump trucks, Scrapers. Day 903-379-3491; night 572-7323. MA t/c

G&S HANDY MART now has new credit card gas pumps. You can now buy gas 24-hours a day with Texaco, Fleet Cards, Visa, Mastercard, Discover, all major credit cards or debit cards. MA t/c

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SHERRY'S BOOKKEEPING and Tax Service: Now doing bookkeeping, accounting, payroll and income tax services from home based office. Call for quotes or more information at 903-577-7702. Sherry Huddleston, owner. MA 3-2

MARTHA'S TAX OFFICE, 110 N. Main, Bogata. 903-632-0088. 20+ years experience, specializing in small businesses and farms. Walk-ins welcome or call for appointment. MA 2-17

FOR INCOME TAX SERVICE, contact Bonnie Huddleston, 140 Tanglewood & Circle Drive in Bogata or call 903-632-5238. MA 2-17

SWIMMING POOL REPAIR: Have a swimming pool, above ground or in ground? Installation and repairs, 10 years experience. Also concrete and Kooldec from start to finish, 20 years concrete experience. Free estimates. 903-982-6483. MA 3-2

Wanted:

RED RIVER HEALTHCARE CENTER is looking for caring individuals who would be interested in becoming state certified nurse aide to work in our facility on the 2pm to 10pm shift and the 10pm to 6am shift. The new class is planned to begin February 28. If you are interested, please contact Shirley Vickers at 903-632-5293 or come by our facility at the intersection of highways 37 and 271 in Bogata, Texas. This is your opportunity to prepare yourself for employment in a great profession where the possibility to advance is always present. MA 2-24

THE DETROIT HOUSING AUTHORITY is presently accepting applications of employment for the Executive Director position until March 6, 2000. Applications can be obtained at the office located at 165 W. Deport Street, Detroit, TX or by calling 903-674-2185. Equal Opportunity Employer. 2-24

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: Two dogs in Rosalie, Johntown area. One medium size brown male and one multi-colored female. Both should have collars w/ tags. Please call 903-632-4616. 2-24

FOUND: Australian Shepherd/cross female, gray w/black spots, wearing flea collar. Found on 410 South of Deport. Please call 903-674-2040. 2-24nc

Garage Sales

CAKLEBERRY'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

FOURTH SATURDAY Trade Days in Bogata. All day Friday, Saturday, intersection Hwy. 37/271. Spaces available, for information, call Red River Rust Antique Mall, 632-5940 or 632-5684 nights. Next date February 25-26. MA 2-24

GARAGE AND ESTATE SALE: Saturday, February 19 at home of Doug Alsobrook on FM1503, 2 miles south of Deport. Furniture, glassware and miscellaneous. 2-17

SALE: 507 N. 5th St., Talco, Apt. 1, inside and outside sale. Open Thursday, Friday and Saturday weekly or call 379-2701. Many odds and ends, large women's clothing, all size jeans, books, toils, AKC male Sheltie pup born Sept. 7, 1999, much more. Come see! 2-24

FREE

FREE PUPPIES: Chow/Lab/Timber Wolf cross, two males, one female, 3 months old. 903-632-1042. 2-17nc

FREE TO GOOD HOME: 8 month old male, 1/2 Chihuahua, 1/2 Schnauzer. 902-632-1406. 2-24

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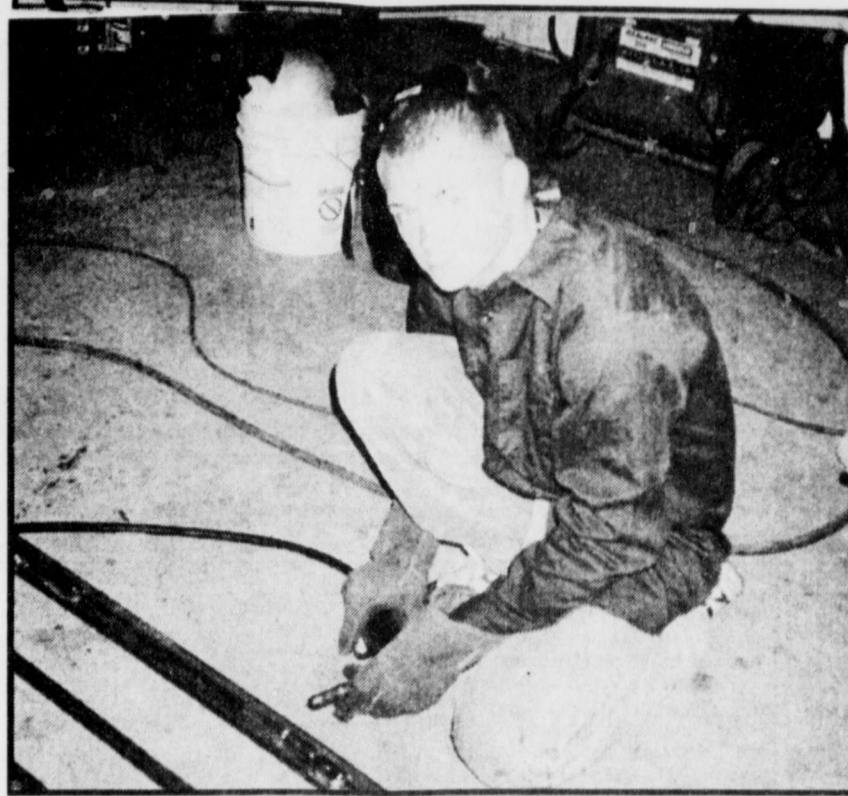
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March 14

Pol. Ad Pd. by June Roach, 1103 S. Merritt, Mt. Pleasant, TX.



RIVERCREST FFA MEMBER-Scotty Goodwin prepares to weld on the trailer the students are building for competition.



DENISE WOOD-accepted a donation of a Gateway computer for the Bogata Library/Museum given by Texas-New Mexico Power Company from employees Tresa Couch and Dana Neeley on Tuesday. The computer will be a big help in the new Library/Museum. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

FOOD SERVICE

Want to be home with the kids? **HIRING PARTNERS, INC.** is accepting applications for cafeteria attendants for several local clients. Experience a plus, but not necessary! Applicants must pass drug test. Apply at **HIRING PARTNERS, INC.**, 875 S. Collegiate, Paris or call 785-1100. EOE

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<p>EGGS Grade A Large 79¢ Doz.</p> 	<p>LIPTON RECIPE SOUP MIX ONION 2 Oz. 89¢</p> 	<p>CAMPBELL'S CREAM OF MUSHROOM SOUP 10 Oz. 79¢</p> 	<p>KRAFT CHEESE WHIZ 16 Oz. \$2⁹⁹</p> 	<p>PARADE MARGARINE 3 Lb. Tub 99¢</p> 	<p>PILSBURY CAKE MIXES All Kinds 18 Oz. 69¢</p> 	<p>FRENCH'S FRIED ONIONS 6 Oz. \$1⁹⁹</p> 						
<p>VIVA PAPER TOWELS Reg Roll 79¢</p> 	<p>FAMILY STYLE BREAD Large Loaf 79¢</p> 	<p>GOLDEN ROYAL MILK Gal. 2% & Homo \$2⁷⁹</p> 	<p>MIRACLE WHIP SALAD DRESSING 32 Oz. \$1⁹⁹</p> 	<p>DEL MONTE KETCHUP 40 Oz. \$1²⁹</p> 	<p>CHEERIOS Reg. \$2⁴⁹ 15 Oz. \$1⁹⁹</p> 	<p>REYNOLD'S HEAVY DUTY FOIL 37.5 Sq. Ft. \$1³⁹</p> 						
<p>TOSTITOS QUESO DIP 16 Oz. \$1⁹⁹</p> 	<p>LAY'S POTATO CHIPS Reg. \$1⁴⁹ All Kinds 99¢</p> 	<p>OAK FARMS ICE CREAM 5 qt. \$4⁹⁹</p> 	<p>PARADE BUTTERMILK BISCUITS 4/\$1</p> 	<p>BLUE BELL YOGURT 1/2 Gal. DIET & LIGHT ICE CREAM ALL FLAVORS \$3⁴⁹</p> 	<p>BUTTER FINGER BABY RUTH NESTLES CANDY BARS Reg. Size 3/\$1</p> 	<p>KRAFT BAR B QUE SAUCE Plain 40 Oz. \$2¹⁹</p> 						
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