

A tale of a stove Last Thursday after an early fire call (did you know hot tubs will burn?), two medical calls and a long day at work I finally was dragging myself towards home when Marilyn Glover waved me down.

"Have you seen the stove at the fire station?" she asked. I told her no and she had me follow her down to the fire station. There, in the kitchen on the new stove was the biggest mess imaginable. White, dried foamy stuff was splattered all over the cook top. Granules of dirt were stuck in place, along with what looked like splinters. We took our fingernails and scratched at the mess, sniffing it to see if it was identifiable. It didn't have a smell.

We both stuck our heads up under the vent-a-hood and discovered that whatever it was had apparently exploded, splashing up under there too. Puzzled, we looked in the trash cans to see if we could find any "incriminating evidence". Nothing.

I hit the vent- a-hood button and the fan made a strange clunking sound.

Both of us stuck our heads up under the hood again and I yanked down the silver grill. Immediately we were deluged with sticks, grass, dirt and debris! Hot on the heels of our mystery, we leaned closer and Marilyn reached up and turned the fan.

It's a shame there wasn't a video camera on hand, for when the wing flopped down in our faces Marilyn and myself nearly knocked our heads off yanking out from off the vent a hood. I hit the hood rim, she clobbered herself on the

other side and we both let out

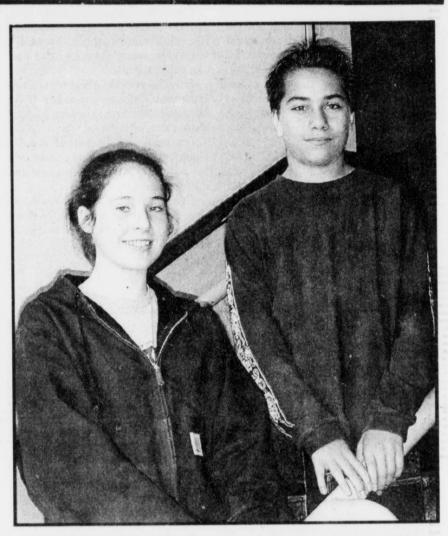
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FATALITY-Dr. Joseph Adrian Galan, age 42, died instantly in the fiery crash between his Oldsmobile Aurora and a 1990 Freightliner just west of Pattonville Park Monday afternoon, Dec. 4. According to investigating DPS Officer Johnny Williams, Galan was southbound on Hwy. 271 and the semi tractor trailer rig was northbound when the car swerved into the northbound lane hitting "head light to headlight". The vehicles exploded on impact. Pattonville, Deport and Reno VFD responded and Hwy. 271 was shut down through that section for several hours. Dr. Galan was pronounced dead at the scene. (Staff photo by Nanalee Nichols)





Thursday, December 7, 2000

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MR. AND MISS TALCO JUNIOR HIGH-Elected as 2000-2001 Mr. and Miss Talco Junior High are Johna Ingram, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kirk Ingram of Clarksville and Sonny Paredesson of Joel Paredes of Talco. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

## Papers now on sale, save money and fill your Christmas list

The newspaper is now on sale! It's that time of year again, the time when Christmas gift giving is simple! The Deport Times, Blossom Times, Bogata News, and Talco Times will be on sale for \$2 a year off now until the end of December. If one compares the amount of local news in these weeklies to a whole week's worth of local news in adaily it's clear ... the competition isn't even close!

Where else can a reader get a whole year's worth of local news, sports, photos, award winning articles and columns, a delicious cooking column and much, much more for the price of \$17 within Lamar, Red River and Titus counties and only \$20 everywhere else?

#### a yell!

We stood staring at one another in horror. YUCK, we had been using our fingers to scrape bird ..... well, you have the picture now.

Gingerly, Marilyn worked at prying the dead Starling out of the fan on the vent -a-hood. It was quite dead, although not, fortunately, long dead. The idiot bird had built a nest in the vent pipe and then become trapped.

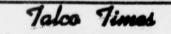
Then it was sterilize the stove time. We scrubbed, disinfected and scrubbed some more. The grill went home to go in the dishwasher (after a sterilizing rinse down) and everything is back to normal, spick and span.

But we both spent a long, long time scraping under our fingernails, scrubbing our hands and generally muttering words like "nasty", "yuck" and less printable things. We tried not to remember everything we ever heard about bird mites! Gross!

It really is a shame, though, that someone wasn't on hand to have the biggest laugh of the week watching the two of us nearly bash our brains out over one little dead bird!

> 10000 Editor's Quotes

Too Late-There is a wealth of unexpressed love in the world. It is one of the chief causes of sorrow evoked by death: what might have been said or might have been done that never can be said or done. Arthur Hopkins



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DESTROYED-this 1990 Freightliner was totally engulfed in flames after it was struck by a 1999 Oldsmobile Monday afternoon. Driver of the rig, Ronald W. Vaughn of Hughes Springs, age 50, managed to escape the burning vehicle with minor injuries. He was treated and released from a Paris Hospital, according to Texas DPS reports. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)

## Talco lighting contest to offer cash prizes

James Via of Talco wants to see Talco lit up for Christmas! He is offeri g \$100 first prize for the best decorated home inside the city limits of Talco and \$100 First Place for the best decorated home on the Talco side of the Rivercrest School District

Judging will be done December 23rd. Winners will be contacted on the 24th of December.

If you would like your home entered in the competition call Via Well Service at 379-4011 to sign up.

and Mr. and Mrs. James Via.

The tours will be set to also view

some of the most outdoor decorated

homes in the area. Those interested in

attending are encouraged to purchase

their tickets early. Tickets will be on

sale at Talco Guaranty Bank located

downtown Talco and at Wright Con-

struction located on FM. 71 east of

Talco beginning October 23, 2000.

Ticket sales will close November 17,

2000 at 6:00 p.m. Plan to attend for a

fun evening that will surely put you

in the Christmas spirit.

## First Annual Parade of Homes to be held in Talco December 9

The first annual Parade of Homes will be held in Talco December 9. 2000.

The event is being sponsored by the Talco Baseball/Softball Inc. A limited number of tickets will be sold at a cost of \$20.00 each. The tour will begin at 6:00 p.m., leaving from the front of the Talco School. Refreshments will be served at each house visited and some homes will have Christmas craft items for sale.

Homes to be visited are: Mr. and Mrs. Shane Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Hinton, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. O.B. Goolsby

## Historical society forming

ing area are invited to attend a meeting Monday, December 11, 2000 beginning at 2:00 p.m. in the Trader's Villa downtown Talco. The purpose of the meeting is to attempt to form a historical society.

Talco's past as an oil boom town is rich in history and those interested hope to not only form a historical

Resident of Talco and the surround- society but to possibly find a building to house a museum displaying pic-

tures and items from Talco's past. Not only the oil history would be included but the history of the schools, area churches, businesses and more. All interested persons are urged to

attend and help restore the past for the future.

PIPS to practice Dec.8

The Rivercrest PIPS (Players in Progress) will practice on Friday, December 8, 2000 at the RHS gym from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Sponsor, Lori Franks said, "It is very important that each child who is a PIPS member be in attendance at each practice. For the next few practices we will work only on performance. At our Dec. 8 practice we will work on our Entrance"

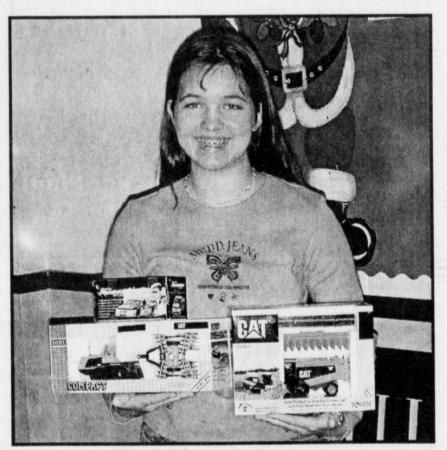
Mrs. Franks stressed the importance of each child attending practice and ask that she be notified if a child is unable to attend practice, whatever the reason. She may be contacted at 379-9430 or during the day at 652-4205.

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#### 10001 Editor's Quotes

There were ten lepers healed, and only one turned back to give thanks, but it is to be noticed that our Lord did not recall His gift from the other nine because of their lack of gratitude. When we begin to lessen our acts of kindness and helpfulness because we think those who receive do not properly appreciate what is done for them, it is time to question our own motives.

Take advantage of the sale to send family and friends their home town paper for Christmas, and don't forget to renew for you!



TALCO-8th grade student, Cyndi Blankenship displays some of the toy tractors and equipment being raffled off by the class. The \$1.00 chance money earned will go toward

the classes end of year party and graduation. To purchase a chancestop by the Talco School Office or see any 8th grade student. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

## Republican women of Northeast Texas meeting to be held December 11th

The Republican Women of Northeast Texas (RWNT) will meet in the home of Maggie Boerner in Pittsburg, Camp County, at 6:30 p.m., Monday, December 11th. For directions, please call the Boeners at (903) 856-6203. A caravan will be leaving from the McGuire & McGuire, CPA's parking lot, 407 N. Madison in Mt. Pleasant, at 6:00 p.m. This is the

annual combination meeting/Christmas party and husbands are invited. For more information, call Maxine Patton, Talco, Titus VCounty, at (903) 856-1206; Kaye Hopkins, Mt. Vernon, Franklin County, at (903) 537-4000; or Juni Howell, Hughes Springs, Cass County, at (903) 639-3113

### e-mail devotional to be offered

The Talco Church of Christ is offering a dialy e-mail devotonal beginning January 2, 2001. It is designed to be a short but thoughtful lesson for busy folks.

This will be sent Monday through Friday but not on holidays. Please send your e-mail address to available soon.

brymelho@peoplescom.net. Also the Talco Church of Christ would like to invite the young people of the community to a lock-in on New Year's Eve at the church building. Come join in for some good clean fun. More details will be made

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

We published some of these last year at Christmastime and had a great response to them. So, I came up with some for for everyone to try! They make great Christmas gifts for those that are so hard to buy for. Plus if your list just keeps growing, just simplify and give "Cookies-in-a-Jar"! Everyone will love them!

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Clear off the kitchen table and fill as many jars as you think you might need and then add a few extras. They are also great for bazaars, craft sales and all those forgotten folks that come in at the last minute!

No wrapping is necessary. Just top the lid with your favorite fabric or paper and add some raffia or ribbon and you are set! The directions for completion of the recipe is added in a gift tag attached to the jar.

By the way, these cookies may also be used to make bar cookies. Just mix, press in an 8-inch square pan and bake for 20 minutes. Better

yet. . .add an aluminum pan to your gift set and wow what a gift for someone special!

We hope you enjoy them and we will see you in the kitchen!

Hazelnut Cookies-in-a-Jar-this recipe uses hazelnuts instead of pecans or walnuts for a little different taste!

Chocolate Lover's Cookies-in-a-Jar-if you know someone who really likes chocolate, try these! Three different flavors of chocolate and nuts can be added also!

**Hustle-Bustle Butterscotch** Oatmeal Cookies-in-a-Jar-these have got to be great cookies with all those extra ingredients!

**Outrageous** Oatmeal-Raisin Cookies-in-a-Jar-what a concoction for a cookies! These are great and make a wonderful gift!

Crazy for "Craisins" Cookiesin-a-Jar-Craisins are actually dried sweetened cranberries that resemble raisins and are very good for you!

## Time to help children with gifts for Angel tree

by town: red angels represents Avery

children: yellow angels represent

"Your sponsorship, donations,

Packages for international desti-

In addition, Efaw reminds custom-

ers that all former package markings

and labels must be removed before a

box can be reused for mailing. Par-

cels cannot be accepted if markings

visibly indicate that the box was used

for shopping hazardous material.

Wrapping boxes to cover markings is

not sufficient. If the wrapping is

damaged and markings become vis-

ible, the package will be returned to

per" and "Cookie Walk" in the Edu-

cation Building. Prices for the events

guidance and leadership will make a

difference in the lives of all our chil-

green Detroit.

sents

The annual Christmas Angel Tree, sponsored by the Clarksville Volunteer Fire Department and Red River County volunteers is presently in place at the Clarksville Wal-Mart Store

Individuals, organizations or groups may now select angels to sponsor from the tree and provide Christmas gifts to disadvantaged children throughout the county

Applications, for children 12 years donations are also needed to make of age and under, are available at The sure each Christmas Angel receives a Clarksville Times office and post Christmas gift. Donations may be offices in Avery, Bogata and Detroit. mailed to the Clarksville Fire Depart-Parents may pick up, fill out and ment at 300 N. Pecan Street in Clarksdrop off applications at those locaville, Tx. 75426, Mrs. Rozell said. tions. Applications must returned by

December 5. All applications are screened for eligibility.

dren" she says. "After all, they are our Angels on the tree are color coded most precious resource"

## Weigh packages before mailing

Efaw added.

the mailer.

The U.S. Postal Service remains ters that use metered postage, he an important part of a government added. service that strives to ensure the safety of the public and its employees, espenations, including military APO and cially during the holidays, said Bogata FPO addresses, have special Cus-Postmaster Danny Efaw. toms requirements and must also be mailed personally at the post office,

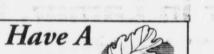
In order to avoid delays as a reminder to Bogata residents, special security rules still apply when mailing stamped packages that weigh one pound or more.

"Even if you've carefully calculated and applied the correct amount of postage you must bring these packages to the post office for mailing," Efaw said

Packages found in mail collection boxes, because of security guidelines, may be returned to sender, Postmaster Efaw explained. The only exceptions are business packages and let-

#### Clarksville Christmas Tour of Homes Dec. 9th

The Red River County Historical Society will sponsor the Second Annual Christmas Tour of Homes in Clarksville on Saturday, December 9th, from 3:30-6:30 p.m. Tour sites will include: the home of Manuel and Jane Avila, the home of Jane and Jennifer Raulston, the Lennox House, and the Courthouse Inn. Community



## Obituaries

#### Eunice Miller dies at age 82

Mrs. Eunice Miller, age 82 of Bogata died Wednesday, Nov. 29 in East Texas Medical Center in Clarksville.

Bogata children; blue, Clarksville, Funeral services were 3PM Saturday Dec.2 in Cuthand Methodist Unwrapped gifts may be left at the Church with Rev. Kenny Dickson Clarksville Fire department or at the officiating. Burial was held in Clarksville Wal-Mart where volun-Cuthand Cemetery under direction teers will pick up and wrap the preof Wood Funeral Home. The family received friends Friday at the funeral According to Charlotte Rozell, home. Angel Tree coordinator, monetary

Mrs. Miller was born April 16, 1918 in Red River County the daughter of Jim and Bennie Wardlow Barrow. She married Tommie Lee Miller August 13, 1939 in Bogata. He preceeded her in death Sept. 2, 1983. She is survived by one son Toney Miller of Boyd, Texas, one daughter Ann Wilson of Nampa, Idaho, six grandchildren and thirteen great grandchildren. She is also survived by a sister Odella Cheatwood of Cuthand. The family has requested in lieu of flowers, donations be made to Cuthand Cemetery.

#### Weldon Wade Smith & Mattie Louise Smith

Weldon Wade Smith, age 73 and his wife Mattie Louise Smith, age 67, both of Bogata died in a traffic accident Thursday, Nov. 30, 2000 in Titus County. Funeral services were held Sunday, Dec. 3 at the First Baptist Church of Bogata with Rev. Park Robertson officiating. Burial at the Cuthand Cemetery under the direction of Wood Funeral Home.

Mr. Smith was born July 20, 1927 in the Glendale Community, the son of John and Maudie Blankenship Smith. He retired from the Texas Highway Department.

Mrs. Smith was born January 1. 1933 in Red River County the daughter of Tom and Roxie Mauldin Aldridge.

They were married in Bogata April 30, 1949. Surviving is one daughter, Sue Taylor of Mt. Pleasant, two faithful dogs Minnie and Sissy, three grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

He is also survived by one brother Kenneth Smith of Clarksville, and two sisters Mildred Kelly of Chicago and Lizzie Lee Smith of Clarksville. She is also survived by a half

brother Bill Aldridge of Topeka, Kansas and one sister Ressie Crow of Bogata.

Card of Thanks



#### George G. Wolf

George Wolf dies at age 65

George Galey Wolf, age 65 of Deport died on Friday, December 1, 2000 in the Christus St. Joseph Hospital. Wood Funeral Homes will conduct graveside services on Sunday, December 3, 2000 in Milton Cemetery with the Reverend Glynn Renfro officiating. Serving as honorary pallbearers will be Bert Filkins, James Garmon, Wayne Birch, Glenn Fulbright, Randy Talley, and Richard Winkler. The family will receive friends at the funeral home, Saturday evening from 6-7PM.

He was born the son of Delbert Cleveland and Geneva Beatrice Crump Wolf on December 14, 1934 in Farmersville, Texas. On August 9, 1957, he married the former Nell Roberts. Mr. Wolf was a US Army Veteran and had worked for Welch Gas Company as a serviceman for 18 years prior to his retirement.

He is survived by his wife, Nell Wolf of Deport; his children, David. Wolf, Cindy Filkins, and Lyn Wolf, all of Deport; a sister, Bobbie Joyce Chambliss of Quinlan; 6 grandchildren, Sherri Wolf, Stephanie Wolf, Joseph Filkins, Marcus Wolf, Allison Wolf, and Aaron Wolf; one greatgrandchild, Jasmine Garmon, and one special nephew, Richard Winkler. He was preceded in death by two

brothers, Carl Wolf and W.C. Wolf.

George Lester Slaton

George Lester Slaton, age 82 of Mesquite passed away Nov. 30,2000. He was a foreman in the Auto Parts business. Survived by wife Allene, children Gary Slaton, Linda Smith and husband John, Ricky Slaton, and Laura Medlen, sister Ollie Howe, brothers Welden, Herman and Mervin Slaton; grandchildren Stephen and

Hazelnut Cookies--a-Jar cup chopped hazelnuts-toasted /2 cup packed dark brown sugar cup Pioneer Baking Mix 1/2 cup packed light brown sugar cup Pioneer Baking Mix Chocolate Lover's Cookies-in-a-Jar /3 cup milk chocolate chips 1/3 cup white chocolate or vanilla chips 1/3 cup semi-sweet chocolate chips 1/2 cup packed dark brown sugar cup Pioneer Baking Mix /2 cup packed light brown sugar cup Pioneer Baking Mix Hustle-Bustle Butterscotch Oatmeal Cookies-in-a-Jar 1/2 cup butterscotch chips 1/2 cup packed dark brown sugar cup old-fashioned oats cup Pioneer Baking Mix /2 cup light brown packed sugar cup Pioneer Baking Mix **Outrageous** Oatmeal-Raisin

Cookies-in-a-Jar 1/3 cup raisins 1/2 cup oatmeal /3 cup chopped walnuts-toasted 1/2 cup packed dark brown sugar cup Pioneer Baking Mix

1/2 cup toasted chopped pecans 1/2 cup packed dark brown sugar l cup Pioneer Baking Mix 1/2 cup light brown packed sugar l cup Pioneer Baking Mix

In a 1-quart wide-mouth glass jar. gently layer and pack ingredients in order given. If there is any space left after adding the last ingredient, add more baking chips, dried fruits or nuts to fill the jar. Place lid on top. Cut an 8-inch circle of fabric to cover the lid. Place fabric over lid and secure in place with rubber band, then ribbon or raffia. Decorate as desired.

To make gift card and attach to jar: Empty contents of jar into medium bowl. Stir in I stick butter or margarine, melted, l egg and l teaspoon vanilla until well combined. Shape into l-inch balls. Place on baking sheets coated with cooking spray. Bake at 375 degrees for 10-12 minutes or until cookies are light golden brown. Makes 2-1/2 dozen cookies. Enjoy!

December 7, 2000 "Cookies In A Jar" Recipes

#### Crazy for Craizins

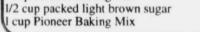
Cookies-in-a-Jar 2/3 cup dried cranberries(Craisins)

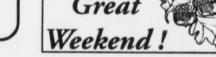
To assemble Cookies-in-a-Jar:

singers will provide Christmas mu-

sic at the First Presbyterian Church, with a "Broccoli-Cheese Soup Sup-

will be; Christmas Tour of Homes (\$10), Soup Supper (\$3), and Cookie Walk (\$5 or \$10). All proceeds will go toward the historical restoration and upkeep of Miss Belle's House





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#### Card of Thanks

We would like to thank everyone for their expressions of sympathy during this difficult time. The flowers, cards, phone calls, and words of comfort will be treasured and fondly remembered.

Thanks to the James Woods family for their professionalism.

Thanks goes to Rev. Park Robertson for his kind words at the funeral, to Rick Holeman for the beautiful songs, and to the deacons of First Baptist Church for taking the

time to be pallbearers. Our appreciation goes to the ladies of the First Baptist church who provided a delicious lunch.

Thank you to the staff of Red River Healthcare for the love and attention you gave to Mother. The expressions of concern and compassion from the community were a blessing to the entire family.

The family of Ann Cody

#### Paris Junior College offering biology course in Clarksville

Paris Junior College will offer a course in general biology at Clarksville High School during the spring semester.

PJC Instructor Jason Taylor will teach BIOL 1411.80 on Mondays and Wednesdays from 6-9 p.m. in Room 102 of the high school.

Students can register for the PJC class with Clarksville High School Counselor Delilah Parker, or through the PJC Admissions Office.



Bogata V.F.W. Post 8187 News

\*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 play-ing time and Pool and shuffleboard are open all the time.

\*The VFW will be open on Sunday's for the Dallas Cowboy football games. Everyone is invited to come out and enjoy the game with friends and neighbors.

Thank you for the calls, visits, food, flowers, and prayers.

The Family of Eunice Miller

#### Blood drive is December 19 in Clarksville

The Lennox Health Resource Center and Stewart Regional Blood Center will host a blood drive on Tuesday, December 19 from 9 am. until 6 p.m. at the mobile unit on the square in Clarksville.

Everyone who will donate blood

Amber Slaten, Kristy Barnard, Jason We would like to thank everyone and Milissa Wooten and Aaron for their acts of kindness during the Medlin; great grandchildren Savanloss of our loved one, Eunice Miller. nah and Cody Barnard. Services were 10:00 am Monday Dec. 4th at Rose Chapel with interment in: Roselawn Memorial Park.

> is asked to eat before donating and to bring your driver's license.

You will receive a holiday T-shirt from Stewart Regional and a holiday gift mug from Lennox Health Resource Center.



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## Check your propane heaters for safety

As colder temperatures begin to settle in across the state, Texas Railroad Commission Chairman Michael L. Williams, Commissioner Charles R. Matthews and Commissioner Tony Garza today encouraged homeowners to have their propane tanks and heating appliances thoroughly inspected by a licensed technician.

"The colder weather means winter will soon be here," said Williams. "Licensed propane technicians in your area are ready to inspect your home heating system to ensure it's prepared for the months ahead."

"Millions of Texans rely on propane not only for home and water heating, but also for cooking," noted Matthews. "Propane fuel systems need regular service checks to ensure maximum reliability and safety."

"Many systems may not have been used for some time," Garza added. "A thorough inspection of your home's heating system is a good way to know you'll be able to stay warm safely throughout the winter.'

According to Williams, Matthews and Garza, other important safety tips to remember include: - If your home has a propane fur-

nace, water heater, range or other conveniences, schedule a check of

the whole propane system - including appliances.

Your local propane service technician should check your tank, piping, regulators, gauges, connectors, valves, vents, thermostats, pilots, burners and appliance controls to make sure they are all in good working condition.

Homes with propane gas logs or fireplace systems should be checked each fall

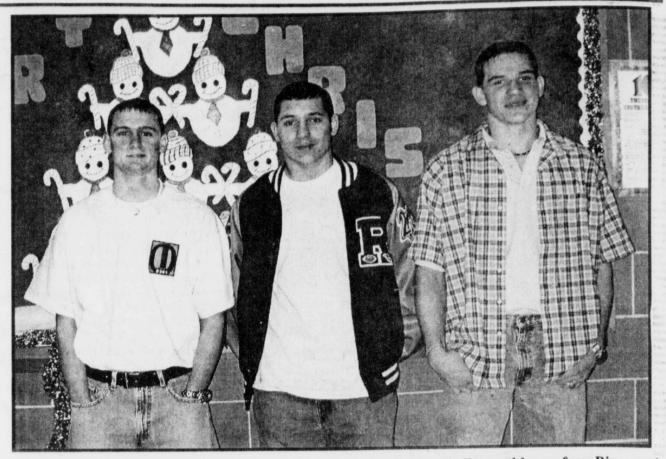
Naturally odorless propane gas has a rotten egg smell added to it to help identify any leaks. If you ever smell gas, leave the home immedi-

ately without using any electrical switches or appliances. Close the service valve under the protective dome of your tank by turning it to the right as far as it can go. Call your propane supplier or local fire department from a neighbor's phone.

To help consumers properly use propane-fueled appliances, the Railroad Commission of Texas offers a free safety brochure entitled Home Safe Home. Copies are available in both English and Spanish and can be obtained by contacting the Railroad Commission's Alternative Fuels Research and Education Division tollfree at 1-800-64-CLEAR [1-800-642-5327].

In politics there is no such thing as an enemy-only someone who disagrees with you today and who might be with you on the next vote.

-Gerald Ford



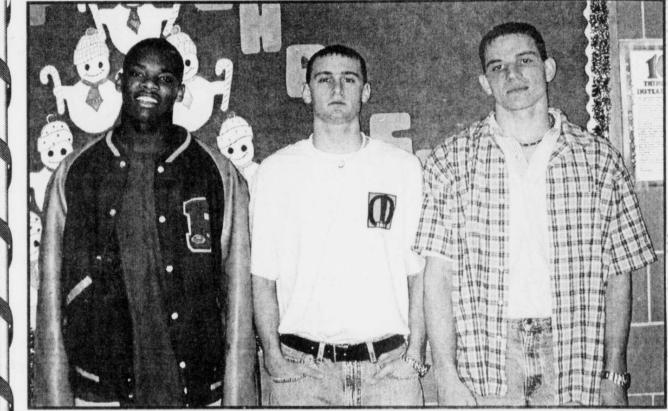
 $\label{eq:academicAllDistrict} Football team this year from Rivercrest for the second secon$ High School were; (from the left) Clinton Cheatwood, Brandon Davis and Chase Collins. Clinton is the son of Ricky and Sherry Cheatwood of Bogata, Brandon is the son of Mary Meadeof' Talco and Chase is the son of Ronald and Linda Collins of Sugar Hill. Congratulations boys !!

# **GREAT CHRISTMAS GIFT FOR MOM**



## NEW KITCHEN COUNTERTOPS OR LIGHTING FIXTURES.

(Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



ALL DISTRICT-Rivercrest Rebels chosen to the All District foot ball team were; First Team All District Defense-(from the left) Michael Galloway, defensive back; Second Team All District De fense-Clinton Cheatwood, linebacker and First Team All District Offense-Chase Collins, linebacker. Also chosen First Team All District Offense wide receiver, not pictured, Keith Hines. Michael is the son of Anthony and Sedia Brown of Talco, Clinton is the son of Ricky and Sherry Cheatwood of Bogata, Chase is the son of Ronald and Linda Collins of Sugar Hill and Keith is the son of Margaret Savage of Talcoand the late Cecil Galloway. Congratu lations boys!! (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



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#### Lake Chapel Christian School students

#### Lake Chapel Christian School presents Thanksgiving program

The mid-week chruch service at Thedford Homes in Bogata on November 7, 2000 included a traditional turkey and ham dinner with all the trimmings. There were 49 in attendance to enjoy this festive occasion. Nancy Phillips did a great job coordinating the food and decorations.

Special guests were the students from Lake Chapel Christian School.

They began their program with pledges to the American flag, Christian flag and the Bible; then recited Psalm 148. The testimony service was led by Jarae Myrick. April Burks led the singing with several old favorites from the song book. An acrostic of THANKS was done by the younger students. The program closed with a special number, "I Feel Like

Running My Last Mile Home" by Tonya Pyles, Jennifer Kilmer, April Burks and Jarae Myrick.

Bro. Gary Stephens, principal of the school, preached from Deuteronomy 6, "Beware of Unthankfulness". The next service was held Tuesday, December 5, 2000 with Bro. Bill Pirtle as guest speaker.

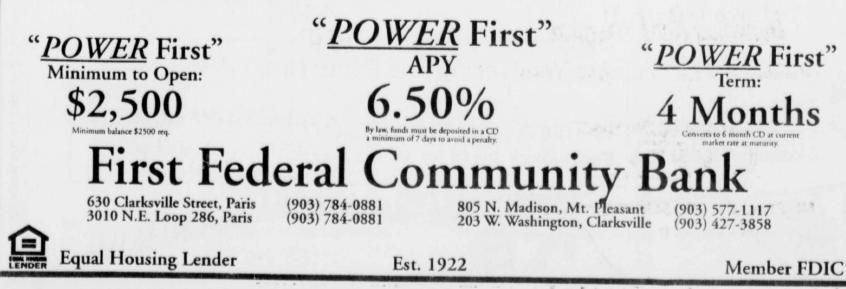


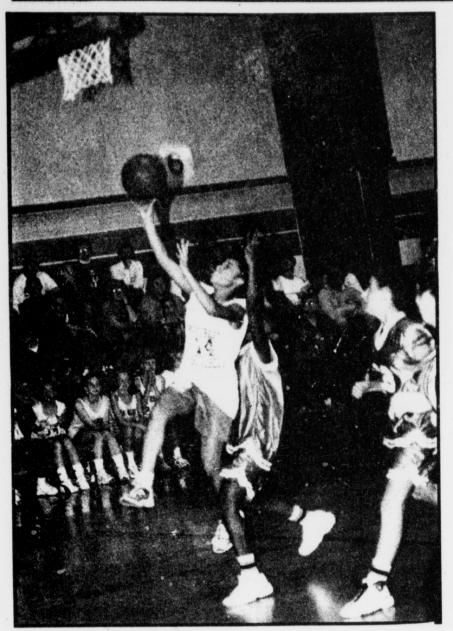
SECOND TEAM ALL DISTRICT-Rivercrest Rebels chosen to the football Second Team All District Offense were; (from the left) Zach Ward, offensive line guard and Michael Galloway, running back. Also chosen to the Second Team All District Defense, not pictured, was Keith Hines, defensive back. Michael is the son of Anthony and Sedia Brown of Talco. Zach is the son of Scott and Gayle Ward of Bogata and Keith is the son of Margaret Savage of Talco and the late Cecil Galloway. Congratulations boys!!! (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

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WHITNEY SAVAGE-goes up for a shot as she was being fouled Thursday when the Lady Rebel 7th grade team met Honey Grove in the Chisum Basketball Tournament. The Lady Rebels won the contest and went on to defeat Cooper for the first place title. (Staff **Photo Nancy Brown**)

## Rebel teams place well in weekend tournaments

The Rivercrest boys basketball program recently had a very good weekend in tournament action. All 5 teams, 7th, 8th, 9th, JV and Varsity, competed in tournaments and represented the school well.

The 7th grade defeated Honey Grove to win 2nd place at the Chisum Tournament. The 8th grade defeated Chisum at Chisum to earn a 2nd place and the 9th grade team beat Prairiland to win Consolation at the Chapel Hill Tournament.

The JV defeated Prairiland and Pittsburg to earn a 2nd place in the

Chapel Hill Tournament while the Varsity Rebels brought home a 1st place from the Prairiland Tournament by defeating Sulphur Springs JV, Roxton and Bonham. Head basketball Coach, Steve Weddle said, " I feel that our teams and program are steadily improving as a result of much practice. Every boy in basketball is getting to practice after school and this is going to pay off in years to come. I was proud that every team won games this weekend. The boys program won 8 of the 12 games they played last weekend".

Thursday, December 7, 2000

## Lady Rebels place 2nd at Prairiland tournament

team competed in the Prairiland hosted basketball tournament Nov. 30 through Dec. 2, 2000.

The girls met Roxton in their first game of the tourney and took a commanding 63-34 win. High scorer for the game was Kim Shirley with 19 points including 3 treys. Also scoring were Rachel Case-11, Cheryl Griffin-10, Erica Williams-9, Jessica Rose-6 and Kim Ross and Charla Hines both with 4 points. On Friday the girls returned to

meet Detroit and again took the win 59-35. High scorer for the game was Cheryl Griffin with 19 points. Also scoring were Kim Shirley-14, Kim Ross and Erica Williams-8 points each and Jennifer Hays-4. The team outscored their opponet in every quar-

On Saturday the Rebel ladies were matched with Honey Grove for the championship game. In the first quarter the Lady Rebs took a 24-8 lead over the Lady Warriors and relaxed

The Rivercrest Lady Rebel varsity too much on their defense allowing the Lady Warriors to outscore them by 2 in the second. Half time score, 35-21 Lady Rebels.

> In the third the Lady Warriors scored 14 points while holding the Lady Rebels to only 4 points and separating the score by only 4 points. 39-35 Lady Rebels. In the final quarter to pace picked up. Kim Ross was lost to foul trouble and the Lady Rebels as a whole committed too many fouls. The Lady Warriors added 9 points to their score from free shots and shot a total of 16. The Lady Rebels could not make the come back after going behind and lost the game 49-52 which gave them the second place trophey.

> High scorer for the game was Kim Shirley with 20 points. Also adding scores were; Kim Ross with 14, Cheryl Griffin-8, Rachel Case-4 and Jessica Rose with 3. Kim Shirley and Cheryl Griffin received All Tournament honors.

## Lady Rebel JV compete at Mt. Pleasant Tourney

Lady Rebel JV began play in the Mt. Pleasant JV Tournament meeting Sulphur Springs in their first game. The first quarter ended with the Lady Rebels up 12-9 off scores from Shari Wisinger, Ashley Beers and Molly Hare. By the half time buzzer Sulphur Springs had taken the lead 23-12 and continued to hold it through the third quarter.

In the final quarter the Lady Rebels netted 20 points but still lost the contest by 10. Final 58-48 Sulphur Springs. High scorer for the game was Molly Hare with 17 points. Also scoring were Krystal Valenzuela-8, Ashley Beers-7, Tina Carder-6, Shari Wisinger-3, Danielle Easterling and Stephanie Williams with 2 points each

On Friday the Lady Rebels met Pittsburg and after one quarter led 19-12. Molly Hare scored 17 of the points. By the half time break the Lady Rebels were up 35-18.

In the third Hare went on another scoring spree adding 10 points of 16 points scored and ending the quarter up 51-22. The final quarter saw Shari Wisinger sent to the bench with 5 fouls but the Lady Rebels kept scoring. Hare hit a trey and field goal,

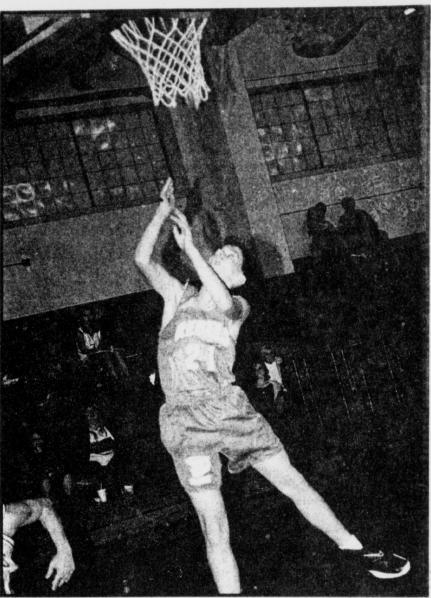
On Thursday, November 30 the Danielle Easterling hit a trey and Stephanie Williams and Nikki Jones added field goals. Final 63-31.

> High scorer for the game was Molly Hare with a whopping 36 points. Also scoring were Ashley Beers, Danielle Easterling, Nikki Jones, Paige Boyd, Krystal Valenzuela, Shari Wisinger and Stephanie Williams.

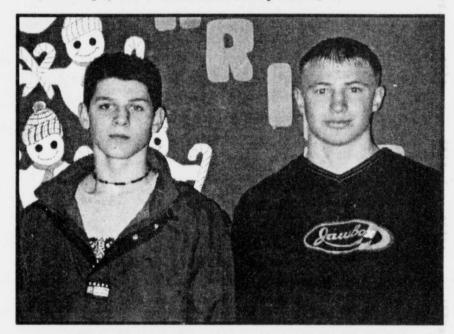
On Saturday the Lady Rebels returned to play Mt. Pleasant. A close first quarter ended with the Lady Rebels up by 2 points, 10-8. The Lady Tigers made a strong move toward the lead in the second matching the Lady Rebels 10 points-10 points. The half time score was 20-18 Lady Rebels.

In the thrid quarter the Lady Rebels defense kicked in and they held the Lady Tigers to only 2 points while netting 11 points themselves. In the final the Lady Tigers could not break the Lady Rebel defense and were again held to a low 4 point score. Final 46-24. High scorer for the game was Molly Hare with 19 points. Also scoring were Ashley Beers-9, Tina Carder and Stephanie Williams-7 each and Shari Wisinger-4.

The win gave the Lady Rebels the Consolation trophy. Great job Lady Rebels!!!!



**REBEL 8TH GRADER-Clinton Vandever puts up the shot as the** Rebels played Mt. Vernon in the Chisum Tournament Thursday. They were defeated by Mt. Vernon but came back to take a second place trophy home. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



HONORABLE MENTION-Chosen Honorable Mention All Districtfootball from Rivercrest were; Offense: Nathan Carroll, guarterback and Defense: Chance Wolfe, linebacker. Nathan is the son of Randy and Lisa Carroll of Talco. Chance is the son of Ann Francis of Talco and Scott Wolfe of Paris. Congratulations boys!!! (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



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Mr. and Mrs. Donald Combs

## Conrad-Combs united in marriage Hares to celebrate Golden Anniversary

Jennifer Lynn Conrad and Donald son officiated. Gary Combs were united in marriage in a private ceremony November 19, tion was held in the fellowship hall of 2000 at 3:00 p.m. at the Talco Cal- the church. The couple have made vary Baptist Church. Bro. Rex Jack- their home in Talco.

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Following the ceremony a recep-

#### **RED RIVER HEALTH CARE ADMISSION POLICY**

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Junior and Martha Hare

Hares to celebrate Golden Anniversary Junior and Martha Hare will celebrate their Golden Anniversary on Saturday, Dec. 16 at the Franklin County Airport Community Hall, located on CR 1030 two miles north of Mount Vernon.

The couple will be honored by their children, Deaneth Stanley of Hagansport, Mark Hare of Bogata, and Marcia Slack of Tyler, along with their spouses and the couples grandchildren. Martha Dean Dickson and Isom Hegler Hare, Jr., both of Sulphur Bluff, were married Dec. 20, 1950 in the First Baptist Church in Sulphur Springs by the pastor, Rev. Joe Weldon Bailey.

## Red River County Public Library Gets New Computer Equipment

The Red River County Library is and staff members will be on hand to celebrating the arrival of new comanswer questions and demonstrate puters that will expand public access how to use the computers. computing in our community. With a grand from the Bill & Melinda lic internet access since April 1997. Gates Foundation, the Library has These new computers will help ;meet purchased three new Gateway comthe growing community need for puters and a new laser printer. These public internet access by tripling the new computers will be connected to number of Library workstations and the Internet and available for public providing high-speed connection.

Join us for an open House on Fri-day, December 15, from 4:30 to 5:30 pm. Refreshments will be served,

\*\*\* There's one word that says it all about baseball: Youneverknow.

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members

The Library has been offering pub-

TAYLOR ANDERSON-displaysher award for 2nd place in



**8POINTS-MichaelHowardis** pictured with an 8 point buck he killed recently on a private lease

Holiday 2000 mailing tips offered

Advice for customers on how to avoid "glitches" affecting delivery of their holiday mailings are listed below

Addressing tips: write, type or print the complete address neatly. Always use a complete return address. Always provide complete address information, such as Ave., Blvd. and St. Always use the apartment of suite number as well as correct directionals such as N, W and SW.

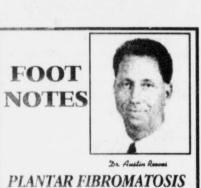
Future plans include offering free Don't let an incorrect ZIP Code computer classes to all community create a glitch in timely delivery of cards and letters. Local post offices and the Postal Service Web sitewww.usps.com--

> Packaging Tips-Select a box that is strong enough to protect the contents. Leave space for cushioning inside the carton.

> Cushion package contents with shredded or rolled newspaper, bubble wrap or styrafoam peanuts. Plain airpopped popcorn is also good for cushioning. It's inexpensive and environmentally friendly and you can string leftover popcorn for holiday decora-

tions.

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season a good one. Michael, his wife, Marla and children are resident of Bogata.



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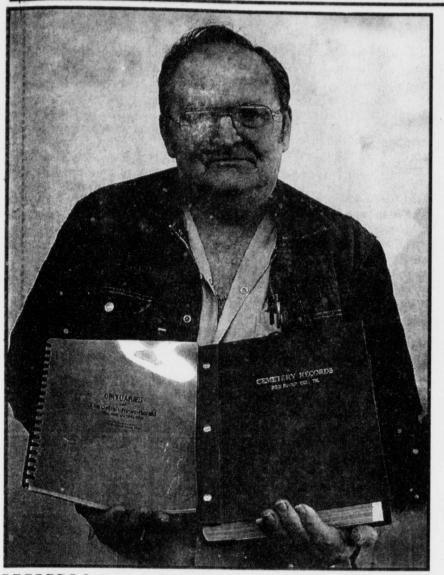
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**RECORDS-Lawrence** Dale displays the handsome book he and his wife Sue have just finished . The book "Burials, Cemetery and Death Records for Red River County, Texas" took the couple nine years to research and create. (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)

Book lists death records for Red River County, provides glimpse into the past

and Sue Dale of Blossom has listed burials, cemetery and death records for Red River county from the inception of the county through Dec. 31, 1999. This book, while not "light" reading, is certainly invaluable to genealogists and historians.

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The couple has spent nine years on this painstaking project.

In addition, they have put together obituaries for the Detroit News-Herald from 1928-1936 through 1941-1956, relating to deaths primarily in Red River and Lamar Counties.

The first book, titled Burials, Cemetery and Death Records for Red River County, Texas has 182 cemeteries in the county listed, plus 28 names the cemeteries may also be known as; Death record index numbers from 1903-1973 (14,895 records listed); 4,196 funeral home records,

A book compiled by Lawrence 14,023 newspapers, for a total of 37,145 records. The books are custom made with

heavy covers, and the price is \$120. To ship, and extra \$10 is necessary. Books may be ordered from Lawrence & Sue Dale dba Pine Creek Enterprises Rt. 1, Box 70-D

Blossom, TX 75416. Their phone number is 903-982-6860

The Obituaries book from Detroit News-Herald is \$20, plus \$1.35 for tax and \$5 for shipping. It may be ordered in the same manner as the big book

The research that has gone into these volumes is excellent, and the books should be priceless to those involved in tracing family histories. The books are also on file at the Libraries in Bogata and in Clarksville

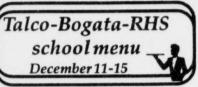
#### Commissioners report for November by Ricky Daniels

This month was a very wet month for us. We spent a lot of time repairing damage caused by high water. We are still working on some of the damaged areas. 15 loads of red rock were hauled off the yard and 4 small loads of red rock were hauled off the yard. 8 large loads of red rock were hauled to the yard and 4 large loads of white rock were hauled to the yard. A total of 16 small loads of white rock were hauled off the yard.

In Commissioner's Court this moth we approved resolution on the regional 911 addressing program; approved appointing Kathy Cheyne and Shirley Anderson to the Northeast Texas Housing Finance Corporation; approved accepting donations from loggers for repair on CR 4615; approved reclassifying 2 roads in Pre-

cinct 3; approved selling struck off property; approved County Auditor to advertise for bids on a new vehicle for the Sheriff's Department. We also canvassed election returns and approved going out for proposals for qualifications for construction manager for the Courthouse Preservation Project; approved change order request #2 and #3 from ArchiTexas; approved deputation of Stephanie Powell and Jennifer Jones in Tax Assessors Office; accepted bid for new ramp and sidewalk at the Annex; authorized auditor to go out for bids to sell and remove buildings on prop-

If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to stop by my office.



Monday Breakfast

Cinnamon rolls graham crackers w/peanut butter milk & juice Lunch Corn chip pie ranch style beans salad dessert crackers

milk Tuesday Breakfast

Cereal toast juice & milk Lunch Chicken fried steak cream potatoes w/gravy green beans rolls w/honey & butter milk

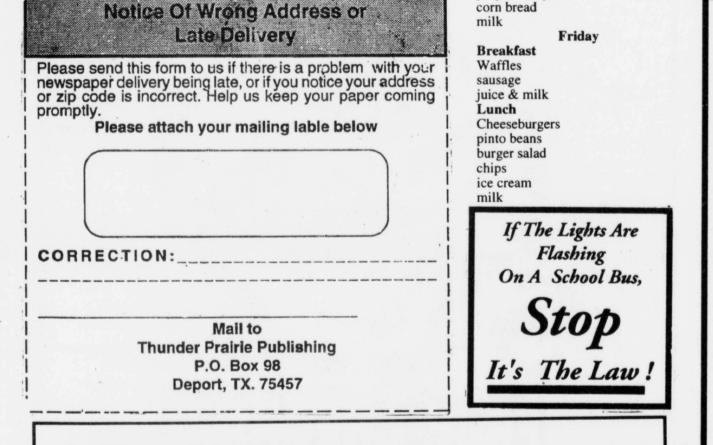
Wednesday Breakfast Sausage biscuit jelly

juice & milk Lunch Chili dogs seasoned beans pickle spears dessert milk

Thursday Breakfast Donuts juice & milk

Lunch Texas goulash cheese potatoes purple hull peas





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## Rivercrest Youth Basketball meeting held Saturday, December 2 The Rivercrest Youth Basketball Mr. Franks reported 6 senior schol- for the coming

The Rivercrest Youth Basketball (Little Dribblers) Organization met Saturday, December 2, 2000 at Rivercrest to discuss the upcoming season. President, Ricky Franks called the meeting to order and opened the floor for nominations for officers. Elected as officers for the coming year are; President-Jerry Merchant, Vice President-Nicky Brown, Secretary-Kathy Thompson and Treasurer-Melissa Merchant.

Mr. Franks reported 6 senior scholarships were given by the organization last year for \$250.00 each. He also reported Chapel Hill had contacted him and invited the Talco and Bogata 3rd and 4th and 5th and 6th grade girls and boys teams to join them, Harts Bluff and Winfield this season.

Should the Rivercrest teams vote to play in the league, they would have to travel to Chapel Hill, Winfield and Harts Bluff the first year as a trial bases. The other towns do not let their 1st and 2nd students play. Mr. Franks did not committ but told them he

would present the idea and call for a vote.

Those present liked the idea of playing the other towns but wanted more information about fees, playing rules etc. New President, Jerry Merchant will contact the league and have all the answers at the next meeting. Should the organization vote to enter the league with the older students, the younger students will still play at Talco and Bogata gyms.

The Bogata gym score clock was discussed and Bobby Thompson agreed to check the clock out and try and fix it.

Mr. Franks reported Randy Crane of Mt. Vernon had contacted him about making this year's team pictures for the group and Mr. Merchant will contact him about prices and a date for pictures.

Regardless of where the teams play it was decided to hold the team draft. Forms were to be sent home on Monday, Dec. 4 and must be signed, have entry fee and be returned to each

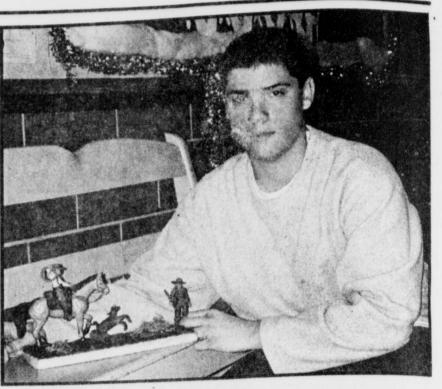
campus office by Friday, December 8, 2000.

As always the "no pass, no play" rule continues. Students must pass the 3rd six week in order to participate. Anyone who pays a fee and fails to have any children be able to participate will be refunded their money. Fees this year are the same as last year, \$10.00 per family. No late forms will be accepted, if you have a problem with getting your child's form or fee in contact Jerry Merchant in Bogata or Nicky Brown in Talco to make arrangements prior to the deadline of December 8, 2000.

The group will meet on Saturday, December 16 at 10:00 a.m. at the Rivercrest cafeteria to draft teams, vote on where to play, discuss earning scholarship fees, vote for consession stand officers and coaches for the coming season as well as discussing practice schedules and playing date. Anyone interested in coaching or helping out in any way are urged to attend.



Please, be an Angel Share Your Special Christmas Memories With Others. They are one of the most lookedfor events of the year by readers. See Page 1 for how to enter.



CLAYSCULPTURE-Jerry Ward is pictured with his clay sculptures of cowboys and a calf which are very detailed. Jerry made the items for a "How To" project in Mrs. Ginger Foster's class at Rivercrest. Jerry is the son of Jerry Ward of Bogata and Judy Ward of Bogata. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



FIRST PLACE-The 7th grade Lady Rebels were a happy group after winning 1st place in the Chisum Tournament Friday. The 16 strong member team is coached by Tammie Case. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

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Miss Becky Alsup, Jesse Harville, Ace Reynolds and Brian Hays

## Bogata sixth grade studies Greek mythology

Sixth grade students in Miss Becky Alsup's reading class at Bogata School have just completed a unit on Greek mythology. The unit is a part of their year long exploration of heroes.

The students learned about the gods and goddesses of Mt. Olympus. They also studied about life in ancient Greece and learned about several ancient Greek heroes. As a culminating activity, the students were required to write a research paper on a god, goddess, hero or place from Greek mythology. They then pre-

sented an oral report to the class. They were also required to have a visual aid representing their topic.

Pictured along with Miss Alsup are; (from the left) Jesse Harville with his model of a torch used by Hades, Ace Reynolds with his model of Mt. Olympus and Brian Hays with his model of Jason's bow and arrow.

The students did a wonderful job on their projects which are on display in the Bogata School Library, in the hallway outside of Miss Alsup's classroom as well as inside the classroom.

Red River County Sheriff's Report October 29-November 4

rants.

Sunday, November 26, 2000 Report of a disturbance in Bogata, assault, female arrested on warrants out of Mt. Pleasant, livestock on 82w near Country Mart, Clarksville, male arrested on assault charge, disturbance in Avery

Monday, November 27, 2000 Two inmates released to transport to Restitution Center, Female arrested on probation violation, inmate released on bond, inmate released to Titus County So on warrants, report of theft in Detroit, report of theft by check in Annona, inmate released on bond, male arrested on charge of criminal mischief, burglary of a habitation on fm1159, Clarksville, report of prohibited weapon, Detroit.

Tuesday, November 28, 2000 Inmate released to Bowie Co on warrants, male arrested on offence of driving while intoxicated, report of animal cruelty in Avery, male arrested on assault charge, male arrested on forgery charge, male arrested on assault charge, three inmates released on bond, recovery of stolen property N. of Woodland, re-

**RRGeneology** to hold Christmas party

Everyone is welcome to attend the annual Christmas meeting of the Red River Genealogical Society on Monday, December 11, 2000 at 6:30 p.m.

This month's meeting will be held in the Courthouse Inn Bed and Breakfast in Clarksville. Cheryl O'Brian will conduct a tour of the building

which has been restored in recent months.

All society members are encouraged to come and bring their favorite finger foods for the buffet. All interested persons are encouraged to come and enjoy the fellowship.



Saturday, December 2, 2000

Report of burglary on hwy 37 north

of Clarksville, two inmates released

on bond, male arrested on DPS war-

rants and released after paying war-

Male arrested for driving while in-

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released on bond, structure fire at

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The Red River County Jail cur-

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cious activity in Bagwell.

rently holds 53 inmates.

Sunday, December 3, 2000



HIGHSALES-The Bogata 5th grade students recently completed sales of "Common Threads" T-shirts as a class fund-raiser. The students who won the high salespersons award of lunch at Milano's pizza were Jordan Stafford who sold \$237.00 worth and D.J. Gentry who sold \$228.00 worth. The proceeds will go toward field trips for the classes. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

#### Bereaved Parents to Meet Dec. 11th

The December 11 meeting will be "Remembering Our Children in a Special Way." A candlelight memorial will highlight the evening. Each person may light a candle honoring the memory of his or her precious child. Bring a picture of your child to place near the candle. We will have finger foods following the

candlelight service. An open invitation is extended to bereaved parents, their families and friends.

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Come, join us as we share our experiences in an effort to help others, at the TU Electric Building located at 635 Clarksville Street, Paris. The meeting will start at 7 p.m.

## Holidays in Historic Mt. Vernon

Friends

"Holidays in Historic Mt. Vernon" will be held Saturday, December 9, 2000 starting with a "Breakfast with Santa" at the Alley downtown from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Other events for the day will be as follows

10am-5pm-Arts and Crafts on the square

10am-3pm-Franklin County Arts Alliance Old Jail, open to the public, Christmas Project "Stockings for Charity'

10am 12noon-"Crepes & Crepe Myrtles", on the porch at First National Bank. Free crepe myrtles and light brunch crepes sponsored by Mt. Vernon Beautification Coalition &

12:30 p.m.-Get a steamin bowl of the red at Franklin Co. Historical Assn's Chili Cookoff. All the chili you can eat for \$5.00. Free hotdogs for children.

1pm- 5pm-Free miniature train rides for the children downtown.

2pm-5-pm "Holiday Tour of Homes", a holiday wonderland. Tickets available at the door or call 903-537-4760.

5:30 pm-Annual Chamber of Commerce Christmas Parade

5:45 pm-Downtown lighting of Christmas light at Franklin County Courthouse.

Please Come Home

Some of you who are reading this were once dedicated Christians. Your love for Christ and His causes burned bright. Your faith was real and strong. Your life was being built upon Christ and directed by His Word. The church was at the center of your activities. But that has all changed now! You see the old Christian friends once in a while, but it is not the same. Every now and then you get the urge to return to Christ but you put if



SANTA CLAUS AND HIS **HELPERS**- were in Bogata Tuesday at the annual Christmas parade making children's eyeslightup with wonder. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



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port of suspicious activity in Dimple. Wednesday, November 29,2000 Female arrested on warrant and four Lamar County warrants, report of

theft by check, male arrested on warrant for delivery of a controlled substance, inmate released on bond.

Thursday, November 30, 2000 Male arrested and transported on Lamar Co warrant for theft by check, Male arrested and transported on charge of Criminal Trespass and Assault, inmate released on bond, report of burglary in Lydia, report of theft in Annona, report of dog bite in Avery, inmate released to Lamar Co on war-

Friday, December 1, 2000 Inmate released to Bowie County for transport to TDCJ-Gatesville, report of vandalism to mailbox on South Lake Rd FM910.



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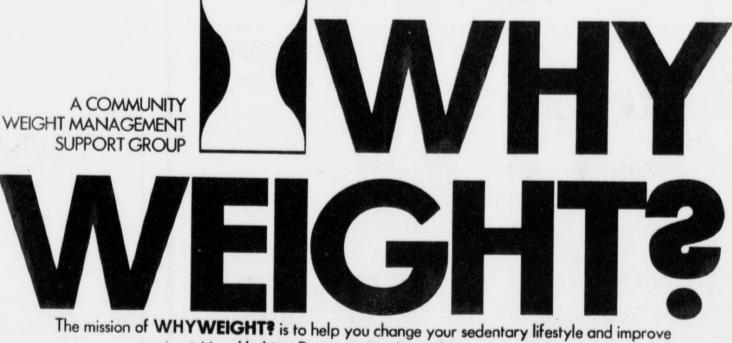
off "for a while". I am convinced that you were happier when you were a faithful Christian, and that some day you intend to return to Him. I hope the following suggestions will hasten that day.

First you must face up to it. You have left the Lord! You are no longer living the life of a Christian.

Second, face up to what that means. It means that you are facing life without God's help and without the blessing of prayer (1 Pet. 3:12). You have got to "go it alone"! And if you die in your present condition, your eternal abode will be with the Devil and his angels. (Matt. 25:41)

Third your course of life will determine the course of life of others. If you remain as you are, your family will be greatly influenced in that direction. If you return to the Lord, chances are some of them will also. You are not just "deciding for yourself".

This message was brought to you by the Church of Christ that meets at 5th & Lide in Talco. Please join us to worship services and Bible classes: Sunday Bible Class-9:45 a.m., Sunday Worship hours-10:45 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.' Wednesday Bible Class 7:0 p.m.



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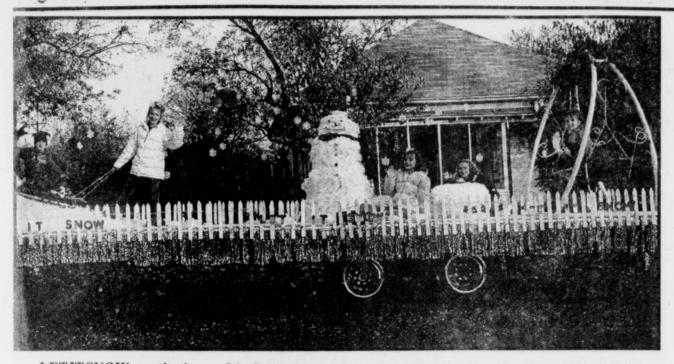
Next Meeting: Dec. 7, 2000, 6-7 p.m. Christin Aymond, MS, RD, LD "Surviving the Holidays - Temptations Everywhere!" Food Samples, Recipes Back Dining Hall of Cafeteria - Ground Floor **Titus Regional Medical Center** Call 903-577-6299 or 903-577-6238 for information about this free program.

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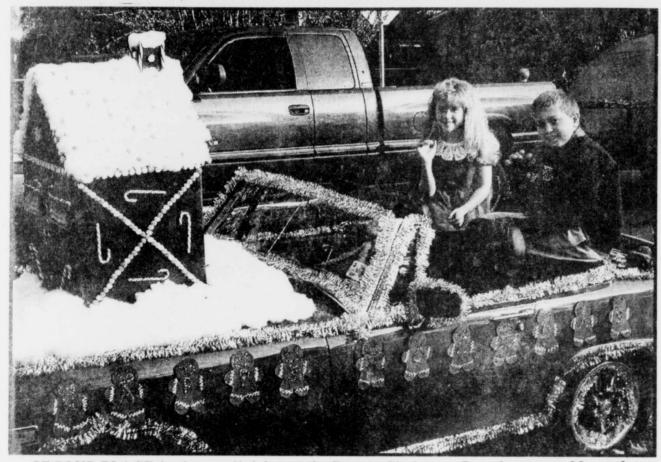
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LET IT SNOW-was the theme of the Second place winner in the float division of the Bogata Christmas Parade. Bogata Junior High Queen, Koren Hawkins, family and friends depicted a beautiful snow scene. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



SECOND PLACE-in the car division at the Bogata Christmas Parade went to Mr. and Miss Bogata Elementary, Nikki Lews and Set Hawkins. (Staff Photo by Nancy Brown)

### Cookbooks have arrived at RRH

Red River Healthcare in Bogata and staff. has received their cookbooks just in time for Christmas giving.

The cookbooks are \$8.00 each and may be purchased at Red River Healthcare. They are compiled of recipes from RRH residents, past and present, family members, volunteers

The proceeds from the sale of the cookbooks will go toward needed items for the Activity Department and projects planned for the coming year at Red River Healthcare. Your purchase of the cookbook will be greatly appreciated.

Editor's Quotes Goodness is the only in-

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vestment that never fails. Thoreau

# Local students included in Who's Who

A total of 30 students from this area are included in the 34th Annual Edition of Who's Who Among American High School Students, 1999-2000.

Who's Who, published by Educational Communications, Inc., Lake Forest, Illinois, is the largest recognition program and publication in the nation honoring high achieving high school students. Students are nominated by high school principals and guidance counselors, national youth groups, churches and educational organizations based upon students' academic achievement and involvement in extracurricular activities. Traditionally, 99% of Who's Who students have a grade point average of "B" or better and 97% are college bound.

The 34th Annual Edition of Who's Who Among American High School

Students, 1999-2000, published in 18 regional volumes, features over 750,000 students or just 5% of the nation's 14,000,000 high school students. They represent approximately 20,000 of the 24,000 public, private and parochial high schools in the country.

Who's Who students also compete for \$200,000 in scholarship awards and participate in the publication's complimentary basis to up to 15,000 high schools, colleges, universities and public libraries throughout the

Local students selected include: From Bagwell-Jana L. Hawley and

Heather R. Green. From Blossom-Tabitha N. Baxter,

## Rebel-Lady Rebel junior high compete at Chisum

of Honey Grove. Unlike the 7th grade

boys, numbers are not a problem with

the 7th grade Lady Rebels giving

coaches Debbie Williams and Tammy

Case multi-combinations which they

At the half the girls trailed by 2

points but in the third they begin to

adding spice to the game. Their press

in the final quarter and good eyes on

the court made for scores! Final 33-

29 Lady Rebels. The team was led to

victory by Whitney Savage, Cassan-

dra Norman, Mandy Crawford, Tif-

fany Giles and Monica Savage. Con-

tributions to the win were made by

Bailie Spencer, Jesi Navia, Katie

Ward, Sarah Hare, Monique Savage,

Jessica Griffin and Micah Upchurch.

boys returned to finish the tourney

and the 8th girls to continue their

tourney. The girls team played first

meeting Cooper for the 1st place tro-

phy. The Lady Rebels took the first

tip of the ball from Monica Savage to

Cassandra Norman and after one quar-

On Friday the 7th grade girls and

push harder each new player sent in

Rebels!!!

use to advantage.

The Rebel and Lady Rebel 7th and 1 throughout the game. Dustin Perry 8th grade teams competed at the Chisum Tournament Thursday, Nov. 30 through Saturday, Dec. 2, 2000.

On Thursday the 8th grade Lady Rebels led off for Rivercrest playing the Mt. Vernon 7th grade team and took a huge 50-12 win over the younger girls. Kendra Birchfield was high scorer for the Lady Rebels with 15 points followed by Johna Ingram with 12 and Cassie McCuller with 10. Also adding points were Leslie Richeson-7, Jill Shirley-4, Tracy Galloway, Haley Hawkins and Lindsey Robertson all with 2 each. Contributing on the defense were Kasey Van Deaver, Dana Crawford and Kerri Simmons. All of the team members got good playing time experience.

The 8th grade Rebels followed the girls next and drew tough with Mt. Vernon who had a distinct height advantage. The Rebels who are few in number worked hard but at the half trailed 21-8. R.C. Pitts, McKenzie Ellis, Clinton Vandever and Matt Ross had all scored. Also contributing to the game were Jordan Edge, John Ed Graf, Payden Franks, Jake Raulston and Johnathan Ridens.

Mt. Vernon held their lead to go on and win the game placing the Rebels in the loser's bracket.

At the same time as the 8th grade boys, the Rebel 7th grade played in the Chisum Elementary gym against Honey Grove. The Rebel varsity could not provide a more exciting game. The 7 member Rebel team would go up by 1, then fall behind by ter were tied up 6-6 with the Bulldo-

Annual Survey of High Achievers, an annual opinion poll of teen atti-tudes. The books is distributed on a country.

Christopher A. Green, Michael Heath Sessums, Lige A. Stewardson, Michael R. Tallant, Michael W. Flatt, Amanda R. Hyde, Landra B. Stewardson, Bo Sutton and Amanda L. Williams.

From Bogata-Pearis (Bubba) Abernathy III, Cara R. Morgan and Lauren Corbell.

From Deport-Ashley Lauren Ball. From Detroit-Alison Jones, Chad Reger, Trena R. Smith, Tammy A. Nichols, Heather D. Smith and Robbie Somerville.

From Pattonville-Stanley G. Cox. Aaron a. Murdock, Jennifer R. McClain and Jessie W. Spears.

From Talco-Ryan H. Case, Shelly Hollis, Carolina G. Prado, Jennifer Sinclair, Laci J. Taylor, Tiffany L. Hines Prentice, Mark B. Jackson, Kristen Sims and Bre'Ann Stroud.

gettes. At the half the Lady Rebels led 12and Adam Horn did a good job of 8 but the third quarter saw a change rebounding and at the post position with the Bulldogettes fighting their on the offense. The rest of the Rebels, way to the lead. In the final quarter Aaron Palmer, Troy Morris, Keith the game went down to the wire. The Williams, Brad Rolen and Jake Bulldogettes had a 1 point lead with Needham also added hustle on the :04 seconds left on the clock and with defense and scores to push the game control of the ball. On the inbound down to the last seconds. Final 19-18 play Cassandra Norman made the steal and took extra caution at the In the final game of the evening for goal to make the winning shot for the the Rivercrest teams, the 7th grade 1st place trophy. Final 22-21. Lady Rebels met the Lady Warriors

High scorer for the game was a 3 way tie among Cassandra Norman, Mandy Crawford and Whitney Savage all with 6 points. Also adding points was Tiffany Giles with 4.

The 7th grade boys met Mt. Vernon and were defeated leaving them with 2nd place in the tournament.

The 8th grade girls met Chisum and also were defeated leaving them set to play Cooper on Saturday.

In Saturday's action the 8th grade girls returned to defeat Cooper and finish in a tie for 1st place.

The 8th grade boys also played their final game of the tourney and took the win over Chisum to place 2nd in the tournament.

Over all it was good experience for the teams and each brought home a place.

On Monday the junior high teams met Hughes Springs. The girls at Rivercrest, the boys at Hughes Springs. The Lady Rebels both won easily to add district wins to their records and the 8th grade boys also won while the 7th grade team was defeated.

Rebel JV and 9th teams compete at Chapel Hill On November 30 through Decem- Pirates. But, the Rebels came around favor stronger holding the Pirates to only 1 point. The half time score and added 12 point in the final quarstood 15-12 Rebels. ter to take the win and holding the Pirates to only 3 points for the quar-In the third the Pirates came back ter. Final 28-23 Rebels. High scorer strong scoring 21 points and holding for the game was Josh Cabell. Also the Rebels to 8 scores. Score 33-23 scoring were Ryan Newton, Justin Pirates. Although the Rebels scored Exum, Jared Huddleston, Zach Perry 16 points in the final quarter their and Dustin Jones. opponent scored 12 to hold the lead. On Saturday the Rebels returned Final 45-39 Pittsburg. High scorer to play in the Championship game In the third quarter the Rebels netfor the Rebels was Chance Belcher. against Chapel Hill. The Red Devils Also scoring were Jeffrey Abernathy, held the Rebels scoreless through the Calan Wilcox, Josh Weatherall, Jerfirst two quarters while gaining 17 emy Ward and Micah Chaloner. points of their own. In their final game of the Round In the third the Rebs managed to Robin Tourney the Rebels met Praiput 3 points on the board to the Red riland. After one quarter of play the Devils 10, score 27-3. Finally, in the Rebels were up 14-9 over the Pats. In last quarter the Rebels began to work. the second quarter the Pats out scored They added 10 points to their score the Rebels 10 to 6 but the Rebels and held the Red Devils to only 4 remained up, 20-19 at the buzzer. points but it was too little too late for In the third quarter the Rebels added the Rebels. Final 31-13. High scorer 12 points to the Pats 7. Jeremy Ward for the game was Josh Cabell. Also tossed in 8, Jeffrey Abernathy, 2 and scoring were Ryan Newton, Justin Chance Belcher, 2. Score 32-26. The In their second game of the tour-Exum and Zach Perry. final quarter saw the Rebels hold The Rebels were awarded the 2nd their lead and go on to win the game place trophy. Congratulations Rebels 41-36. Calan Wilcox shot 100% from on a good tourney!!! the free shot line in the game. High The 9th grade team met the Pittsscorer was Jeremy Ward with 14 burg Pirates in their first game of the points followed by Chance Belcher tourney and following one quarter with 12. Also scoring were Calan The Pirates went on a scoring drive were down 10-11. The Pirates held Wilcox-10, Keith Perry and Shon the Rebels to only 5 points in the Gage 2 points each and Micah Chasecond, but, the Rebels returned the loner 1 point. Good Job Rebels!!!!



ber 2 the Rivercrest Rebel JV and 9th grade teams competed at the Chapel Tournament. The JV team began play on Thursday with Prairiland and were down 3-4 after one quarter. By the half the Rebels had taken the lead, 11-6. Throughout the half the Rebels had drawn fouls from the Pats but hit only 3 of 8 from the free shot line.

ted 10 points while holding the Pats to only 3 points, score 21-9. The Rebel free shot percentage improved in the last half helping them gain scores. In the final quarter Justin Exum hit 2 field goals and 3 free shots, Jared Huddleston added a trey, Zach Perry a field goal and Josh Cabell 2 free shots for a total of 14 points. Final 35-16 Rebels. High scorer for the game was Justin Exum followed by Josh Cabell. Also scoring were Ryan Newton, Jared Huddleston, Zach Perry and Dustin Jones.

ney the Rebels met Pittsburg and were up 7-3 after one quarter. The Pirates held the Rebels to only 4 points in the second but the Rebel defense returned the favor. Half time score 11-7 Rebels.

in the third netting 13 points while the Rebel only added 5, score 16-20

## Holiday Tour of Homes Tour scheduled in Pittsburg

"Chestnuts roasting on an open fire," or was that "hot links smoking on the grill"? No matter, it's time for mistletoe and holly and the annual Holiday Tour of Homes sponosred by the Pittsburg-Camp County Arts Council. The event will be held Sunday, December 3rd from 1:00-6:00 p.m.

Four homes will be on tour, ranging from a cabin in the woods to a traditional home facing a golf course.

Dennis and Maggie Boerner, lived in a 500 square foot cabin in the woods, while "the house that Dennis built", was being built. Located at the front of their property, the cabin could easily be a romantic hid-a-way for a young married couple, or a quiet geta-way for an old married couple. Walking down the lane, the big house sits amid towering pines. Built of timber bean and stone construction, the house projects a feeling of warmth. Miniature churches are located throughout the house as well as many other items acquired by the couple on their travels throughout the world.

A circular drive welcomes visitors to the home of Brenda Barnwell. Designed by the owner and built in 1984, the home features three fire-

places, one in the master bedroom, the living room and the glassed-in sun room over looking the deck. The back of the house features a large deck, designed for outdoor entertaining, that overlooks the golf course in Princedale Country Club. A collection of lions, as well as a large display of Santas in one of the bedrooms adds a whimsical touch. Lush wreaths, fireplace decorations, twinkling lights and lustrous bows put the "sparkle" in this festive home. In the classic manor of the English,

the home of Steve and Beverly Spearman sits at the end of a long driveway, with the view of the golf course to the west and a hayfield on the north, providing a feeling of both town and country. Inside the home many of the same elements come together to form an elegant but warm country feeling. The massive corner fireplace is the focal point in the den. Comfortable chairs and couches beckon one with a good book and a bowl of popcorn. The kitchen is festive year around with white cabinets and counter tops and green and white wallpaper. The sports-minded Mr. Spearman's eclectic taste comes

into play in the game room. An antique pharmaceutical bar serves as the focal point for the room, along with other sports-related items. Antiques and art work combine to make this home a treasure.

Guarding the Lockett-Hampton-Hobbs house, owned by James Hobbs and his wife, Kelly Carpenter-Hobbs a vintage 1900 Victorian-style home, is 100-year old magnolia tree that was planted when the house was built. Over-sized Christmas ornaments adorn the porch as visitors enter to the sights and sounds of everything Victorian". Seven Christmas trees are located throughout the home, including the "green" tree in the family dining room. The "Shabby-Chic" room beckons visitors to curl up for along winter's nap on the old iron bed. "This old house" evokes memories of Christmases long ago.

Ticket for the Holiday Tour of Homes are available at Taylor's Gift Emporium, Mayben's Menswear and the Carson House Inn and Grille, Guaranty Bank will serve as tour headquarters where maps and tickets will be available. The bank is located at 116 South Greer Street.



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#### Thursday, December 7, 2000



THIRD PLACE-Winning Third place in the float division of the 2000 Bogata Christmas Parade was the entry from Red River Healthcare with King, Casey York and Queen, Stasha Hume. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

#### **Bogata Locals**

Willie Mae Gray returned to Red River Healthcare from ETMC Hospital in Clarksville last week only to be returned to the hospital on Sunday suffering from congestive heart failur. She is reported improving and hoping to return to Red River Healthcare soon to begin her therapy and eventually return home.

Milton and Virginia Alexander of Dallas visited with Chrystine Baker Monday.

Jackie and Linda Gray are in Las Vegas, Nevada this week attending the National Finals Rodeo. The trip

was an early Christmas present from their son, Marty. Happy December birthday to: A.D. Stephenson, Ike Roach, Elizabeth Rozell, Gayle Roach, Kayla Duffee, Mary Joplin, Judy Screws, William Rolen and Joe Stewart.

Happy December wedding anniversary to; Donald and Judy Screws and Charley and Donnie Lewis. Mr. and Mrs. A.D. Stephenson and Dr. and Mrs. Gregory Montoya and

son celebrated A.D.'s birthday Friday at the Fish Fry in Paris.

of your Choice

#### Talco Locals call your news in to

the Talco Times at 379-4445 Tammie Nicks, Tony, Tanya and Sabrina visited over the weekend with friends at The Colony near Dallas.

Tommy Franks underwent surgery at Titus County Regional Hospital last week. He is reported doing well. Arthur, Patsy and Melanie Smith

spent Thursday evening shopping in Sulphur Springs. They enjoyed supper at Furr's before returning home. Clarence and Cindy Watts spent

Friday and Saturday helping their daughter, Tawala Padgett, move from Ft. Worth to McKinney. Happy December birthday to:

Scott Sinclair. Bruce Case traveled to DFW Air-

port Friday to pick up son, Ryan, who will be home on leave from the U.S. Navy for 10 days.

Happy December birthday to; Zeke Currey, Steve Hall, Destry Nolen, Michelle Milner and Scott Sinclair. Tony Nicks broke his wrist in a 4

wheeler accident Sunday afternoon. He underwent surgery at Titus County Regional Hospital and is reported home and doing well.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Brown enjoyed supper at Chili's in Paris Thursday and attending the Junior High Tournament at Chisum to watch the Rebels and Lady Rebels play. Following the games they visited their son and daughter-in-law, Jack and Jennifer Brown in Paris. On Friday evening the attended the 7th grade Lady Rebels game at Chisum and following the game had supper at the Fish Fry.

For your convience the Bogata News Office will be open on Friday's rom 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

## People N Things

Third Tuesday of each month

at Red River Healthcare Center. Li-

ons Club members should volunteer

Third Tuesday of each month

on the 3rd Tuesday of each month

from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at the

Tuesdays

group for stay-at-home moms and

children will be meeting weekly

from 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. All

interested should call Kelly at 632-

4493 for day and more information.

Bogata Public Library/Museum

The Bogata Public Library/Museum

is open each Friday from 10 am to 4

pm and each Saturday from 10 am to

2 pm. A library card is available to all

citizens of Bogata and the surround-

ing area. Come by and enjoy the

Museum and check out a good book

**Talco Parade of Homes** 

will host the first annual Talco "Pa-

rade of Homes" during the 2000 holi-

day season. The event is set for De-

cember 9, 2000 beginning at 6:00

p.m. Tickets may be purchased at the

Talco Guaranty Bank or at Wright

Excavating. For more information

call Nancy Brown at 379-4445, Patsy

Smith at 379-2970 or Marta Rhoades

December 8

crest High School on December 8

and will present 3 shows including

one for the high school, junior high

and elementary students. The Chris-

tian organization has a wonderful

show and the public is invited to

attend. The first show will begin at

8:30 am. For other times contact the

school at 632-5204.

The Power Team will be at River-

at 379-3491.

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BAM! (Bogata Area Moms) play

First Baptist Church in Bogata.

Free commodities are distributed

to help when they can.

Bogata Lions Club sponsors Bingo

#### December9

Laura Cochran will be honored with a "Blue" baby shower on December 9, 2000 at the Sugar Hill Church of God of Prophecy. All friends and relatives are invited to attend

The Bogata Student Council and Talco Student Council will sponsor a Dance at Rivercrest High School for students in grades 6 through from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Parents are invited to help chaperone.

#### December 10

The Rivercrest Band will perform in their annual "Christmas Concert" on Sunday, December 10, 2000 at the Rivercrest auditorium beginning at 2:30 p.m. Everyone is invited and encouraged to make plans to attend. December 11

Canceled; The Christmas dinner scheduled at the Rosalie Community Center on Dec. 11, 2000 has been canceled.

#### December 18

The Talco School Annual Christmas Program will be held December 18, 2000 beginning at 9:00 a.m. under the direction of music teacher, Neva Oats. Everyone is invited to attend.

December 18 Rivercrest ISD schools will dismiss at 2:30 p.m. Students who walk home may leave at 2:15 p.m.

#### December 19

The Bogata School Annual Christmas Porgram will be held December 19, 2000 beginning at 9:00 a.m. under the direction of music teacher, Neva Oats. Everyone is inivited to attend.

December 19 will mark the end of the 3rd Six Weeks for Rivercrest ISD students and the end of the 1st semester. All library fines, cafeteria charges and library money need to be paid before students leave for the holidays.



Attend The Church

