

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

I know there are many of who don't even feel like they owe their employer an honest day's work for their pay.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

ture She asked "what is your e-

mail address?" Now, we don't just throw

our e-mail address out for the world. We're happy to let ou readers have it, and people sending ads or stories. But we don't need hundreds of soliciting e-mails tying us up. So, I asked what I thought was a fairly simple question. 'Who are you with?" I queried.

Marvin Nichols Reservoir is the future of economic development more acreage, both sides say. For in Northeast Texas, a Sulphur each acre of land flooded, a cer-River Basin Authority official told tain amount of land must be set an audience Monday night in aside for wildlife use. Figures vary "Marvin Nichols Reservoir is Huddleston said the SRBA hopes the Northeast Texas economic for a one-to-one mitigation; othdriver," SRBA President Mike ers have suggested as much as an

Pros & cons presented at

Huddleston said in opening a eight-to-one offset. powerpoint presentation at City Hall. To other area residents, though,

by Bob Merriman

Clarksville.

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

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

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

"We believe the lake will flood about 10% of Red River County," lake opponent Max Shumake of DeKalb said at the Friday meeting at the American Legion Post in Clarksville. With that much land taken from the county's tax base, other landowners will see an increase in property tax rates, special interest groups," Presley they want to." Shumake said. Shumake owns said at Friday night's meeting. about 500 acres in the Red River County area of the Sulphur River. All of his land will be under water when the lake is completed, he said.

Mitigation land will take even members in Bowie County back on the amount of matching land.

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

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

> "These people make a living coming into a community and getting people upset," he said. "They are using you, the local people." Huddleston also spoke of "so much spin" by lake opponents, calling some remarks "rumors and falsehoods."

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

Presley and others say the river authority from tis inception began numbers matter, and Dallas has a plan of spinning the truth.

"The Northeast Texas water planning organization represents he said. "They can pass any law "Most of the people are left out."

to 1839, while other settled in the Cuthand area in the 1870's. Oren Caudell of Texarkana spoke of Evergreen Cemetery in Titus County, begun by former

slaves. "One of their first acts of freedom was to decide where to be buried," Caudell said. The cemetery and others will be flooded when the lake is completed, he said.

Huddleston predicted 500 to 1,000 construction jobs at the lake, with 5,0000 to 10,000 spinoff jobs. Economic impact of the lake is estimated at \$140 million to \$190 million annually, he said. Landowners and others should face a simple fact, Huddleston

can control it."

It is the American scheme of Department will host an "All You things, that the few sacrifice for Can Eat Breakfast" on Saturday, the many, Huddleston said.

March 23, 2002 from 7 am to 10 "Well, I guess people in Northam at the Sugar Hill Community east Texas just haven't sacrificed Center. enough," Shumake said. "I guess people who lost their land to Lake and children 12 and under will be

Wright Patman didn't sacrifice enough. People who lost their land to the coal mine didn't sacrifice enough. What are the people in Dallas sacrificing?"

In the end, Huddleston said, the numbers. They have the political power,"

to take two years, beginning this Where the river authority talks summer, Huddleston said. Gainabout economic development, ing necessary permits for conmany opponents talk of land in a struction is estimated at 13 years, with actual construction to take five years. The State Legislature will vote on the overall water plan next year. at the Talco School and absentee



Thursday, March 21, 2002

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

### "It's going to be built. We're not going to stop it," he said. "But we Sugar Hill VFD to host breakfast

The Sugar Hill Volunteer Fire cuits, toast, coffee, juice and milk.

50¢

All proceeds from the event will go to help the fire department purchase more equipment and necessary items. Everyone is invited to come out for a good meal, fellowship and help equip the local volunteers to be able to protect local residents.

**Rivercrest ISD** changes voting location The Bogata polling place for voting will be held at Rivercrest

Talco School Homecoming

Planning on the lake is expected the Rivercrest ISD School Board High School. Electtion has been changed. The new voting site will be the Bogata Community Center, located in the 300 block of N.E. Bogata, for the May 4, 2002 School Board Election. The Talco polling place will be

set for April 27

Adult plates will be \$5.00 each

\$3.00. The meal will include pan-

cakes, eggs, bacon, sausage, bis-

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Marvin Nichols Reservoir meeting

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

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

do?" There was a long pause on

the other end of the line. "Uh, what do you mean" she asked me.

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

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

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

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

?????

### Bogata Office will be closed Monday

The Bogata News office will be closed Monday, March 25. Locals and advertising may be called in to Deport, 652-4205 or FAX to 652-6041. The office will reopen Tuesday, March 26.

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Huddleston says other land in value once the benefits of the res- ter. ervoir are realized.

family for more than 150 years, homesteads wiped out and old Red River County will increase in cemeteries soon to lie under wa-

Shumake said he traced family

Position # 3 held by Eddy Brown and Position # 6 held by Mark Hare are up for election. Interested candidates have until March 20, 2002 at 5:00 p.m. to file for candidacy at Rivercrest ISD Business Office, at Rivercrest High School.



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

### Talco Assembly of God to host guest speakers March 24

Lattis and Sharlotte Campbell, missionaries to Alaska, will be the guest speakers at Talco Assembly of God Church Sunday, March 24, 2002, in the 11:00 a.m. worship service. The church is located on U.S. Hwy. 271 south of Talco.

the Assemblies of God has selected Rev. Campbell as the Dean of Higher Education for the state. He will oversee the Leadership Development Network, a coalition of all of the educational entities of the Assemblies of God of Alaska. Additionally, he will serve as the President of Far North Bible College in Anchorage, a missions school devoted primarily to teaching and training for Alaska ministry

Sharlotte will work with Lattis

and will serve as the Librarian for Far North Bible College. She will actively travel and minister with her husband across the state of Alaska

The Campbells have been in church ministry almost 30 years, serving as pastors, evangelists and educators. They are graduates of Southwestern Assemblies of God University in Waxahachie, Texas. Additionally, Rev. Campbell holds a Master of Divinity degree from the Assemblies of God Theological Seminary in Springfield, Missouri, and is nearing the completion of a Doctor of Ministry.

Bro. Lonnie Fortner and the congregation of Talco Assembly cordially invite the public to hear the Campbells as they share their vision for Alaska.



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and our new ones... Thank You so much for making this year's subscription lists look GOOD! **Thunder Prairie** Publishing

Ex students? They are members of the 55 year honor Class of 1947. All are active in the Talco Ex-Student Association and attend annual meetings. Talco being an oil town, where

many residents were not permanent, there are a lot of Ex's who return for the homecoming but have no relatives still in the area. Their only contact with Talco now is the old school and annual reunion. However, it seems the classes in the 1940's are all close and keep in contact with other classmates.

The Talco building started classes in February of 1939 and continued through 1965 when Talco and Bogata consolidated. Those who were in school at the beginning remember walking across town from the old school which was on Fm. 71 to the new Talco School as well as those who were in school at the consolidation remember leaving the high school for Rivercrest. Both times were a time of excitement but all the students who attended Talco School either as elementary, junior high or high school students will always love memories of the building and people they shared their school years with in Talco.

The homecoming reunion will be held this year on April 27, 2002 starting at 9:00 a.m. at the Talco School. At 11:00 a.m. a program will be held in the auditorium followed by a catered lunch in the cafeteria and more visiting following.

Those who plan to attend and enjoy lunch must preregister for the meal. The cost of the meal and address for meal tickets will be printed in next week's paper. All ex-students whose addresses are available will receive an invitation including all information. sons who has served as the Ex's Mt. Pleasant.

Can you identify these Talco President and for the 50 year reunion he contacted prior classmates who had lost contact with others. To locate one, he went to the father's employer when they were in Talco.

# 2 is Freddy Foeh who had a career as a band director and spent the last few years at Paul Pewitt School.

# 3 is Jeff Tidwell who left Talco at the end of his Sophomore year and lost contact with friends and classmates, until Ralph located him in Duncan, OK. for their special 50 year reunion. He has not missed a reunion since and these three get together several times a year for fellowship, along with Gerald Foster. Also all are musicians and have provided the music for the reunion since their 50 year reunion in 1997. All three were members of the Trojan Band.

# 4 is Curtis (Buddy) Hearron who seldom misses a reunion and also attends the planning meetings

# 5 is Tommie Joy Clark Burleson who has attended regularly. Her parents were residents in Talco until their death.

Others from this year's 55 year honor class of 1947 who regularly attend are: J.W. Barger, Alvin Dyke Jr., Lavonne Alexander Glover, James Hearron, Onna Lilley Hooper, B.L. and Bonnie Jones, Bill Jones, Thomas Leake, Sue Rosson Lewis, Everett Logan Jr., Mary C. Hahan Price, Bud Welborn and Marion Wyant.

Watch your Talco Times for more information on the Talco School Homecoming each week until the event on April 27, 2002. Serving as this year's President is Gerald Ben Morris of Mt. Pleasant; Vice President, Bob Parker of Sulphur Springs and Secre-Can't guess? #1 is Ralph Par- tary/Treasurer is Tilmon Clark of

The Alaska District Council of

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### Thursday, March 21, 2002

dies March 12

On March 12, 2002, our friend

and sister followed the light to be

with Jesus, her parents and broth-

ers who have passed before. Born August 1, 1919 in Rugby, the

daughter of Jeff and Hattie Griffin

Hancock. Dorothy graduated from

Bogata High School, later to marry

Gerald Perry on January 4, 1942.

They spent many years of military

life, settling in Lubbock. Surviv-

ing are her husband of Lubbock; a

daughter, Rose Moon of Sedona,

AZ; and a son, Robert Perry of

Fredricksburg; three grandchil-

dren; three sisters, Mildred Bybee

and Helon Latimer of Ft. Worth;

Murl Jean Hawks and a sister-in-

As a very young girl, Dorothy's

great talent began with making

doll clothes and sewing dresses

for her sisters. She could make a

doll look like a princess. As the

years passed, making quilts be-

came her hobby. When she was

making one quilt, she was dream-

ing of another. She became a mem-

ber of the Lubbock Quilting Gill

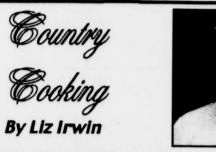
(The Thursday Quilters), where

she quickly made some of her best

friends. She was a superb and tal-

gifted and accomplished quilter.

law, Billie Hancock of Bogata.



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

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

Thank you Robbie, once again,

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

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



**REFRIGERATOR ROLLS** great roll recipe!

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

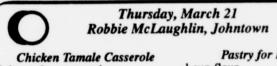
takes a little time to make these, etery. but is well worth it!

PECAN PIE-she adds the hint that if you pie is baking too quickly or browning too quickly, you can make a tent over it with aluminum foil!

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

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





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

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

**Refrigerator Rolls** 

**Pastry for Fried Pies** l cup flour dash salt 1/3 cup Crisco cold water to hold together Combine all ingredients except

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

### Mrs. Lofton Brown

dies March 6 Mrs. Lofton "Dixie" Brown, 92, of Woodland, died Wednesdasy, March 6, 2002 in Christus St. Joseph's Hospital South.

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

Burial was in Woodland Cem-

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

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

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

Those wishing to make a me- her side as much as possible to morial contribution may direct comfort her. She has a way of them to the Woodland United making the bad times, better times.



Joe Lee Landers

#### Dorothy Hancock-Perry dies March 2 Dorothy Hancock-Perry

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

Obituaries

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

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

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

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

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

### Mrs. Oakley L. Ebbs dies March 15

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

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

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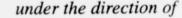
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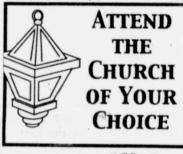
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Surviving are her children: Junior Golightly and Carolyn of Forest Chapel, Larry Golightly and Nita of Bogata, Shirley Sessums and Lee of Paris, Pat Reeves of Paris, Earlene Cato and Kenneth Thompson of Paris. Shiela Golightly of Paris; two brothers,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





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

1/2 cup sugar

l teaspoon salt

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

Pastry for Double-Crust Pie 1-1/2 cup flour dash salt 1/3 cup Crisco

cold water to hold together

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

**Cinnamon Red Hot Apples** 4 large McIntosh apples l cup water margarine 9 ounce bag red hots l cups sugar-divided Quarter, core and leave peelings

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

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

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

### Peace Officers to host Easter Egg Hunt at Thomas Park

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

All children of Red River ages 1 year to 6 years and 7 years City Hall 903-632-5315.

eggs and more. The Thomas Park is located on FM 909 in Bogata. Any individual or business

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

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

Thank You ! Shorty Ballard and Jamily

Methodist Church, % Edna Dorothy was an expert. A flawless Maddox, Rt. 1, Box 147-A, Blos- expert. She was admired. She was som, TX 75416 or the Woodland lovedd by all who knew her. Cemetery Association, % Jamie On Friday, March 15, Dorothy Carter, Rt. 2, Box 314, Detroit, was laid to rest at Resthaven Memorial Park in Lubbock. TX 75436.

#### Card of Thanks We would like to express our

and love extended to our family

due to the recent loss of our be-

loved Larry Dean Salter. While

this sudden loss has created a tre-

mendous void in each of our lives,

the many wonderful expressions

of compassion extended to us by

our family, our Prairiland ISD

school family, our friends, and

our community have touched our

hearts greatly and filled us with a

secure sense of hope for the fu-

lice Department, the emergency

response teams, and the medical

staff of Christus St. Joseph's Hos-

pital South for their diligent ef-

forts and assistance. To Ben Hol-

land, Phillip and Lana Prichard,

and the entire staff of Bright-Hol-

land Funeral Home, your profes-

sional expertise and genuine care

made a most difficult time easier

to endure. To James Morton,

Buddy Freeman and our

Prairiland ISD family, your deter-

mination to meet our every need

will forever remain as precious

We wish to thank the Paris Po-

Jack Horton dies March 18 undying gratitude for the support

Jack Horton of Blossom died March 18, 2002 in Paris. He was born February 23, 1955 in Houston. He attended the Apostolic Pentecostal Church from an early age. He loved driving a truck and listening to the oldies. He was preceded in death by

sisters, Billie Sue and Vickie Lynn. He is survived by his wife, Barbara Horton of Blossom; a son, Anthony Horton of Kaufman; stepsons, Rusty Campsey of Blossom and Miles Bradford of Dillon. CO; daughters, Anna Horton and Suzanne Horton of Ft. Worth; stepdaughter, Jennifer; grandchildren, Cassidy Breanna, Dustin Singleton and Ladessha Horton; parents, A.G. and Billie Horton of Terrell; brothers, Frank Horton of Terrell, Clifford Horton of Mesquite, Roger Horton of Garland and Tim Horton of Terrell; numerous other relatives and friends.

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

Card of Thanks

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

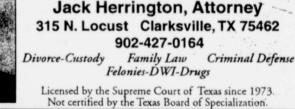
God bless you all, The Family of Don Wilson

### Card of Thanks

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

Card of Thanks

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



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and cherished memories for which we shall always be gratenot only lifted our heavy hearts. but provided each of us with the resolve to live our lives to that

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higher standard which Larry established for himself. As the days continue and we begin our lives without Larry Dean, we will be blessed forever by these wonderful gifts of love and compassion that we have re-

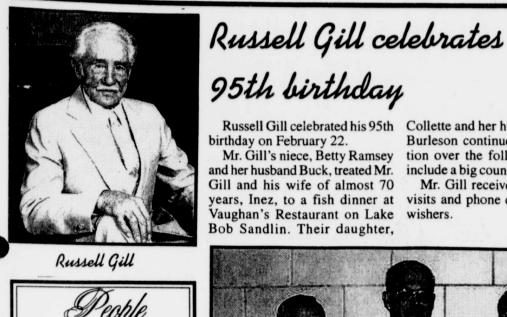
ceived. May joy and peace be with you

always, The Family of Larry Dean Salter

Card of Thanks

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

Thursday, March 21, 2002



**RIVERCREST ISD PHONE** NUMBERS Phone numbers for the three

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ary 14. The fund-raiser is spon-

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March 21

tary will enjoy a visit from the

Mobile Dairy Thursday, March

21, 2002. The program will begin

**Good Friday** 

dents of Rivercrest Elementary

will enjoy Easter Egg hunts and

parties at the Thomas Park in

Bogata. Parents and younger sib-

March 30

ter Egg Hunt to be held in Tho-

mas Park sponsored by the Red

River County Valley Peace Offic-

ers Association of Texas on Sat-

Plan to attend the Bogata Eas-

lings are invited to attend.

March 29, Good Friday, the stu-

Students at Rivercrest Elemen-

s.,

Russell Gill celebrated his 95th Collette and her husband Mutt of Burleson continued the celebration over the following days to include a big country style dinner. Mr. Gill received many cards, years, Inez, to a fish dinner at visits and phone calls from well wishers.



IN ONE YEAR **Texas Volunteer** Firefighters donate \$32 million of their time...if they were only paid minimum wage!



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

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

tion Inc., a newly formed organization whose sole purpose is to provide scholarships to Rivercrest High School graduating seniors, met recently to finalize plans for its first benefit scholarship banquet. Scheduled for Saturday, May 4, 2002 at 7:00 p.m. in the Rivercrest Elementary Cafeteria, the banquet will include a catered meal, entertainment and auction items.

Many schools in the surrounding areas have established organizations such as this to help defray college costs for their graduates. Working hard to get Rivercrest's foundation off the ground are numerous trustees and the following officers: President, Vigil Jones, 1st Vice President, Joe Travis <sup>1</sup>Auction items are currently being Kelsey; 2nd Vice President, Kip sought for the banquet and can be Stansell, Secretary, Debbie Hare given to any officer or trustee. March 14: Report of drunk

Rivercrest Education Founda- and can be purchased from on of cious activity; inmate released the officers or from any of the after paying fines. following trustees: Jo Anschutz, E.E. Brooks, Kay Brooks, Kathy Brown, Keith Brown, Judy Easley, Tiffany Easley, Morris Foster, Kathy Hawkins, Steven Hawkins, Buford Hervey, Gale Hervey, John Howison, Kim Kelsey, Bill Mabry, John Purviance, Kristi Purviance, John Ragsdill, Wanda Ragsdill, Joseph Rose, Kelly Stansell, A.D. Stephenson, Miriam Stephenson, Kathie Thompson, hicle fire west of Detroit; report liams. Tickets may also be purchased at Rivercrest High School.

accepted for memorials, etc. and can be made at Guaranty Bank

March 10: Suspicious activ-

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

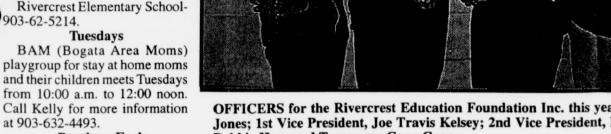
March 12: Report of reckless driver in Bogata; inmate released per court order; report of forgery: inmate released per court order; of burlary of habitation; report of juvenile disturbance in Detroit.

Donations are presently being ing thrown through a window; report of possible forgery; male Bogata and Guaranty Bank Talco. ily violence, released on bond;

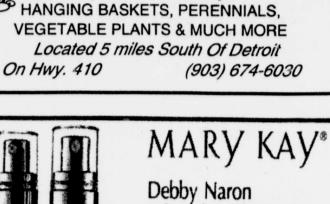
911N; one arrested for driving while intoxicated, first and endangering a child; one arrested for public intoxication; inmate released for time served; inmate released on bond; report of gas drive off in Detroit; report of suspicious vehicle; report of civil matter; one arrested for possible stolen property;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

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

March 17: Inmate released on



Debbie Hare and Treasurer, Gena Gage.



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### **Red River County** Sheriff's Report

March 10-16

urday, March 30 beginning at 10:00 a.m. for ages 1 year through 12 years.

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

April 16-19

## Letters to Editor

To the elected officials and City of Bogata:

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

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

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

Thank you, Neoma Goodman, Senior Citizen

Floyd Hanna will be honored and Treasurer, Gena Gage. with a come and go 75th birthday party by his children on Sunday, March 24 at the Bogata Community Center from 2 until 4 p.m. All relatives and friends are invited to come by and help him celebrate this milestone.

Rivercrest students in grades

3rd through 8th will take the an-

nual TAAS test April 16-19. All

classes 3rd through 7th will test

Tuesday and Wednesday while the

8th grade class will test for all 4

days. Parents and Guardians are

urged to see that their students get

plenty of rest the nights before the

test and eat a good breakfast prior

**Kindergarten Registration** 

Kindergarten Registration for

2002-2003 school year will be

held May 3, 2002. More informa-

tion will be made available soon

on times and necessary items to

The Rivercrest Elementary

to school on test days.

bring.

# Girls place in powerlifting

of Prairiland and Sara Blasingame 300 meter hurdles. of Detroit all qualified for the state powerlifting meet as they met for in the 400 meter dash and 200 the Regional competition in White meter dash. Oak recently.

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

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

by Coach Debbie Williams Members of the Lady Rebel Track & Field team traveled to the Paul Pewitt Meet prior to spring

break. Stats were as follows: Charla Hines- 13'10" in the Long Jump; 4th place in the 400 meter dash; 2nd place in the 200 meter dash.

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

Danielle Easterling-competed

Erica Williams-competed in the 800 meter run.

> TEXAS AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION SERVICE NEWS

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

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



Your support will be greatly ap-Tickets will cost \$25.00 each preciated.

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

These young ladies went Saturday in the cold winds and participated with heart and guts. They all did well and got better. Charla brought home a second place medal but they all earned a medal for

March 14: Report of drunk driver; report of cow hit in Kanawha; two arrested for theft; released on bond; male arrested on court order; search warrant delivered; male arrested for burglary of habitation; report of suspicious vehicle on CR3350 off

bond; inmate release with time to pay fines; female arrested for forgery, financial strument; report of boat fire in Detroit; report of minor accident on 82W of Avery; report of suspicious vehicle on FM114; report of juvenile disturbance.

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## Dinner to honor Nell Rhodes

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

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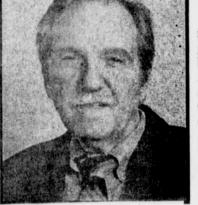
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and Joyce Rhodes, Susan Rhodes, Gail McKinney and Ronnie and Madge McDonnal, grandchildren and great-granedchildren, For information, call Jackie at 632-4268 or 537-2042.





Dr. Kenneth R. Castleman



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

### Women's Power Lifting Meet held March 7

#### By Leah Bull

Power Lifters competed in the press of 110 and dead lift of 230 Region III Women's Power Lifting Meet on March 7, 2002 at White Oak High School.

in the 97 lb. weight class with a the 123 weight class with a squat squat of 225, bench press of 120 of 190, bench press of 105 and and dead lift of 255 which gave dead lift of 240 for a total of 535 her a total combined lift of 600 lbs. and qualified her for the State Power Lifting Meet in Killeen,

Junior Stephanie Williams placed 1st in the 114 weight class with a squat of 250, bench press of 115 and dead lift of 260 which gave her a total combined lift of 625 lbs. and qualified her for the Way to go Lady Rebel Power State Meet. Also, competing in Liftersonavery successful year !!!

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

Senior Brittany Bull competed Junior Tina Carder placed first in her last power lifting meet in lbs. and 9th place in regional.

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

Tina Carder and Stephanie Williams both qualified for the 2002 Texas State Power Lifting Meet.

# Castleman elected to AIMBE

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

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

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

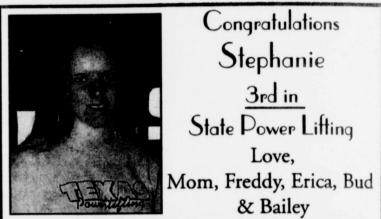
Dr. Castleman, internationally known for his work in the field of digital imaging said "I am very honored to be invited to participate in the AIMBE's activities. This group is very effective in promoting the application of engineering approaches to medical

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

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

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

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



### So You Don't Believe In God?

Imagine this scene. You have just purchased a new Cadillac limousine, and you are showing it to a group of your friends. You explain to them how the metal was molded into fenders, bumpers, tailpipes, etc. You point out the slick chrome trim, along with the wheels of a combination of rubber and steel beks. You open the door and show your friends the beautifully sculptured interior carpet, Corinthian leather, and teak-paneled doors. There is a digital clock, windows that go up and down at the touch

the 114 class was junior Alison

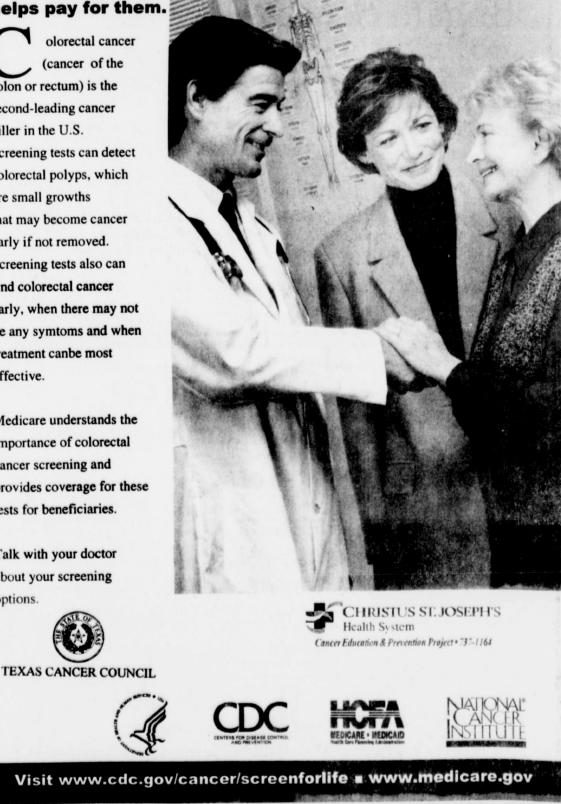
# **Colorectal Cancer Screening Tests Can Save Lives.**

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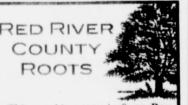


## Bertha McCall hosts 84-42 Club

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

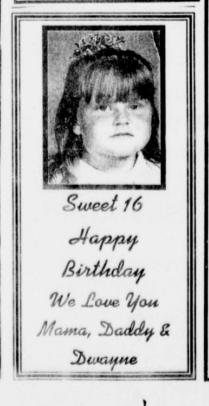
Delicious refreshments were served buffet style to the following: Maurine Mankins, Wootie Harville, Ethel Epps, Shirley Al-lums, Jimmie King, Maggie Lee, Helen Williams, Molee Huddleston, Willie Clark, Mary E. Kain and one guest, Leslie Kain and the hostess.

The April meeting will be with Helen Williams as hostess.



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



of a button, emergency blinkers, rear window defroster and a host of other conveniences. One of your friends remarks to you what a beautiful car you have. You reply that you are indeed proud of the new car, since it cost you approximately \$75,000!

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

Yet this Universe you live in is infinitely more complex than a Cadillac limousine. And yet you are asked every day to believe that it "just happened" by accident. The Universe is composed of over 2,500,000 galaxies. There are 25 sextillion stars known to exist (and that's as far as our most powerful telescopes can see at the present time). Our own galaxy, the Milky Way, is over 100,000 light years in diameter. Light travels 5.87 x 1012 miles in one year. In 100,000 years it would travel 5.87 x 1013 miles. Our nearest neighbor, the Andromeda Galaxy, is over 750,000 light years away. That's 4.4 x 1018 miles!

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

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

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

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

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

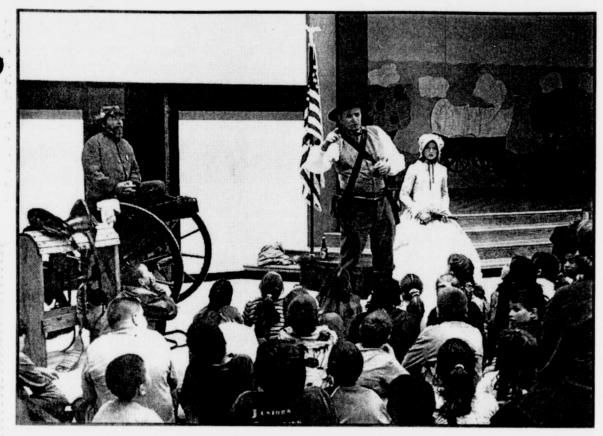
In 1977, Dr. Thompson was nominated to receive the Outstanding Teacher award in the College of Veterinary Medicine at Texas A&M University. In 1978 he was among those placed in the prestigious listing of American Men and Women of Science. In 1979, he was honored by having his biographical information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

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

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

#### Thursday, March 21, 2002

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



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

# 4th grade studies Civil War

The Rivercrest Elementary 4th from his Civil War collection to cial events involving the Civil War. Last week the 4th grade went on a field trip to Paris to tour the Sam Bell Maxey Museum. Sam Bell Maxey was a General in the Confederate Army. The group saw many antiques from the Civil War Era. On Monday, March 18, Ricky Baird of Cuthand and Larry Collins of Paris came to speak to the class. Mr. Baird brought several articles

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grade has been busy studying the show the classes and told about Civil War. The students have read the uses of each item and the life of 1962 to reunite many books, written research pa- of an ordinary soldier. Mr. Collins pers and participated in some spe- brought the group a special treat, of 1962 will be holding their 40th a genuine Civil War cannon. dated from 1863. He went through the steps to loading and firing the cannon using several of the students as his "cannon crew".

# Bogata class

The Bogata High School class reunion on Saturday April 13 2002 at the home of Martha Jo (Smith) and Duane Bryson in Rosalie, Tx.



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







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

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

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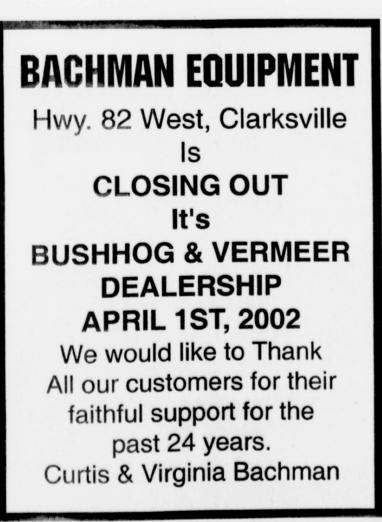
10 inch hanging baskets will be on sale from \$ 5 to \$ 7 consisting of: petunias, lantana, Mexican heather, Jew, ice plants, airplane plants etc.

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

juice & milk Homestead tomatoes, Better Boy Lunch tomatoes, Jubilee watermelon, ba-Ham & cheese sandwiches nana pepper, bell pepper, jalapeno lettuce/tomato pepper, egg plant, cantaloupe, tator tots cucumber, straight neck squash, fruit crook neck squash and zucchini. milk If you should have any ques-Breakfast

tions please contact Kenny Swinford at 903-632-5989. The Rivercrest FFA continues

to thank the community for their support of fund-raisers throughout the year.



juice & milk Lunch Chicken stew cheese sandwiches jello w/fruit milk WEDNESDAY Breakfast Assorted cereals toast condiments fruit mix juice & milk Lunch Chicken nuggets creamed potatoes green beans rolls milk THURSDAY Breakfast Cinnamon rolls fruit mix juice & milk Lunch Texas goulash black-eyed peas fruit w/topping combread milk FRIDAY Breakfast Oatmeal toast condiments

fruit mix

Lunch Cheeseburgers

beans

chips ice cream milk

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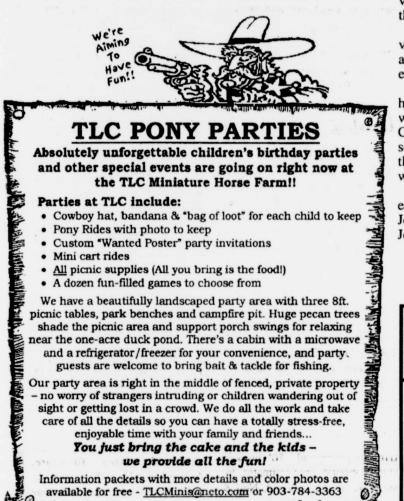
burger salad

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Thursday, March 21, 2002

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

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

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

Gerlyn Gray and Heather Holt enjoyed shopping in Paris Friday. Vicki Tabb, Betty Joy Puckett, Kenneth York and Michael Tabb visited Dixie Stringfellow during the week.

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

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

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

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✓ BASE GRAVEL

✓ TOP SOIL

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Wednesday Jerry and Gerlyn Davis, Harold, Judy, Heather and Heath Holt. All enjoyed the meal

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

Sunday Jerry Gray bar-b-qued steaks for lunch in celebration of Attending to share the meal and Gray, Aunt Margaret Davis, Jessica, Danny and Marli Hines, Jennifer and Riley Reeder, her husnoon Jennifer and Riley returned home to Dallas.

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

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

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

✓ PEA GRAVEL

✓ WHITE ROCK

**FILL DIRT** 

Karen Jones underwent back Henry D. Norman. surgery in Tyler Thursday. She is reported home and doing well.

Happy March Anniversary to Tina and Harold Jackson and Scott and Nicole Blalock.

Visiting and enjoying lunch with Rayford and Vera Pittman Sunday were Linda and Tommy Wisinger, Jerry, Trisha and Mike daughter, Judy Holt's birthday. Pittman of Mt. Pleasant, Kristie, Ray Lou and Carson Damron of fun were Judy's mom, Gerlyn Bogata, Haley and Jacob Eudy and Stoney Davis.

Marta Rhoades and Robert Caul and Nancy Brown visited with band, Harold Holt and children, Karen and Johnny Jones at Medi-

Happy March Birthday to

Bogata Methodist Women meet

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

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

# **Rivercrest Athletic**

Booster Club meets March 18 p.m. Please call Karen Beers at

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attend.

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

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

# Free screenings March 26-28

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

pressure checks and distribution medications and potential drug in-

Christus St. Joseph's Health from 10 a.m. until noon at both macist will also be available at Screenings, to include blood each location to discuss various

Talco Locals

Please call your locals news in to 379-444

Scott, Mason and Ashley Blalock and Ray and Linda Blatenk enjoyed Saturday at Wright Faitman Lake.

Lee Antone visited with Nancy and Eddie Brown Friday afternoon. Annette Swaim of Houston vis-

ited with her parents, Ois and Edith Swaim and other family and friends this past week while on spring break from her school.

Jody Nolen was admitted to Titus County Regional Hospital Saturday with a back injury. He is reported improving.

Jerry Franks was takend to Ti-Heather and Heath. In the after-cal Center Hospital in Tyler Thurs-tus County Regional Hospital with day. They enjoyed lunch at chest pain Monday. He was transwent open heart surgery Tuesday .

Mercado's and shopping before ferred to Tyler where he under-

sign. These symbols represent our

new nation, trust in God, unity,

freedom and preserving peace.

Thirteen is repeated in designs

spondence. The meeting closed

10. The church van will take mem-

bers to tour the Christians in Ac-

tion facility in Paris. Members are

asked to be present at the church

903-674-2272 or 427-5522 of you

would be interested in helping

out. It would be greatly appreci-

The next meeting will be April

8, 2002 at 7:00 pm in the home-

making room at Rivercrest High

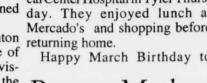
School. All members are urged to

Mary Kathryn red the corre-

The next meeting will be April

and numbers many times.

with dismissal prayer.



Bread"

of safety literature, will be held teractions. Visitors are encouraged



to bring bottles of any medication they may have that might be expired, and to meet with the pharmacist regarding continued use of those medications.

Door prizes will also be given at each location, and hospital departments are being encouraged to compete in a patient safety poster contest.

According to Charlotte

Stephens, Christus St. Joseph's patient safety officer, the goal of the observance is to promote education and communication about patient safety, and partnerships between patients and healthcare providers to improve safety.

During this special week, Mrs. Stephens said the public is encouraged to clean out medicine cabinets of old and outdated medications, to check prescriptions twice and if there are questions to ask the pharmacist, and to find a health care provider with whom one can communicate effectively. The public is also encouraged to set aside any fears that might delay their seeking medical attention, to bring a friend or family member along to help listen and ask questions of your doctor, and to become an informed consumer by learning about your own health issues.





Award from HISD in November

1993. Ms. Swaim has a way of

looking into each child, seeing

their potential and pulling it out.

She looks into their eyes and con-

nects with them. It's hard to put

into words how that makes you

#### **Public Notices**

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

Ford 1900 Diesel 3-Cyl Tracor. Good condition, 1643 hours. Equipment available for inpection at Blossom City Hall Sealed bids should be received at Blossom City Hall, 1240 W. Front Street, P.O. Box 297, Blossom, Texas, 75416, prior to 4:00 p.m., April 4, 2002.

The City reserves the right to reject any or all bids and/or to waive any technicality benefiting the City For additional information, contact 903-982-5900.

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

### Bogata V.F.W. News

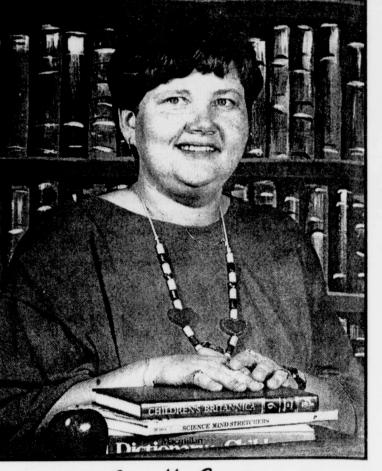
\* The Post is open Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 3:00 p.m. until 12:00 midnight and Saturday from 1:00 p.m until 1:00 a.m. Pool tables and shuffle board are open to enjoy all the time.

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

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

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

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



Annette Swaim



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

#### Annette Swaim awarded Teacher of the Year things to see her smile. He rebeen nominated for Special Educeived the Outstanding Progress

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

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

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

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

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

half of Annette Swaim, who has

Swim lessons start April 1 Christus St. Joseph's Wellness are taught by Certified Red Cross

Centers will be offering special- Water Safety Instructors. ized aquatic programs starting in signed for the mom to be is an April. Red Cross Swim lessons will ongoing class held at RACE for

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

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

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

Aqua Moms, a program de-

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

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

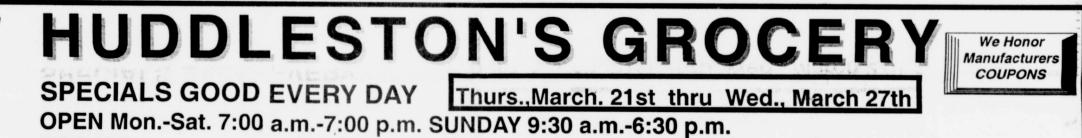
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### RWNT to meet

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

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

Huddleston DRAWING \$50 in Groceries Saturday.



asperger's class. This letter of recommendation I am writing this letter on be-

