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**It Just Ain't Natural!**

How do you mow your yard? Probably you do pretty much like all of us. You gas up the mower, whether riding or push, or, in my case the old 8-N Ford tractor.

You may put on shorts and a sleeveless top, or you may cover up to protect yourself from the sun, using cottons to keep cool.

You may slather on sun block, and you most likely arm yourself with a container of cold water somewhere close by, or perhaps you keep it right with you.

You then sally forth to slice down those greedily growing blades of green that make up your lawn, yard, or whatever you choose to call it.

If you have a small yard you can finish quickly, retreat for the aforementioned cool drink and look with satisfaction upon your neatly mowed little plot.

If you possess a bigger yard you must mow longer, but the end result is still the same...the reward of a cold drink, the satisfaction of making that yard look super.

Of course, I'm neglecting to mention the weed eating, and edging or trimming, but I think everyone gets the picture.

Well, Thomas and I sallied forth Friday morning to perform those chores.

It was cold, and rainy skies threatened.

I had on jeans, a long sleeve flannel shirt, a blue jean jacket and, of all things to be wearing in late April, a toboggan cap!

I made a few rounds only to find that the wind and cold were freezing my hands, and I was forced to stop and go in search of gloves.

I looked up to see my spouse walking behind the push mower, bundled up in cap, gloves and jacket too!

Ladies and gentlemen, dear readers, I proclaim to you that it just isn't right, natural or correct to be mowing wearing heavy clothes!

The grass knows it too, and isn't growing in it's customary boisterous leaps and bounds of springtime...no, it is creeping forth so slowly that I swear you can see it shivering and reluctant!

Oh, I know summer is coming and we will be afflicted with 100 degree heat, a blazing summer sun and not much rain, but how about anormal springtime in the meantime?

Going out to mow dressed as if prepared to snow ski is no fun. It ruins the delight in that precious spring weather!

And besides, I repeat...some things just aren't right, or natural, and mowing in the cold is sure one of 'em!

**St. Jude's  
Bike-a-thon May 3**

The annual St. Jude's Bike-a-thon will be held Saturday, May 3 at Thomas Park in Bogata from 11:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon.

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**Local elections to be held May 3, 1997**

Four have announced their candidacy for positions on the Talco-Bogata CISD Board of Trustees. They are; Nicky Brown and Randy Hollis, Position 1, Mollie Williams, incumbent for Position 4 and Ricky Franks, incumbent for the At Large Position.

Nicky Brown of Talco has announced his candidacy for position 1 on the Talco-Bogata Board of Trustees. Nicky has lived in Titus County and the Talco-Bogata CISD for the past 35 years. He attended Talco Elementary and Junior High and graduated from Rivercrest High School in 1979. He and his wife Linda have two sons, Coleman, who is a Freshman at Rivercrest and Ty, who is in Kindergarten at Talco Elementary. The family are active members of the Calvary Baptist Church in Talco and are active in community and extra-curricular school activities such as Little Dribblers, Players in Progress and the Rivercrest Athletic Booster Club.

Nicky said, "I feel that I would make a good board member because I have lived in the Talco-Bogata School District all my life and I care about our school system and the children in it. The welfare of the school and children are my main concern".

Robert R. Hollis of Talco has announced his candidacy for position 1 on the Talco Bogata Board of Trustees.

Robert, known to most as Randy, has lived in Titus County and the Talco-Bogata CISD for the past 18 years. He was a 1975 graduate of Welsh High School before earning a Bachelor of Science degree from McNeese State University in 1979.

Randy is a self-employed cattle rancher. He is married to Sherry Baker

Hollis and the couple have two children, Shelly, who is an eighth grader at Talco Junior High and Robyn, who is a seventh grader at Talco Junior High.

Randy is an active member of the Talco EMS and the Volunteer Fire Department of which he has served as the Assistant Chief for the past four years. He is currently serving as Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Talco Housing Authority and is the Girls Director for the Talco Girls Dixie League Softball Association. He also serves as head coach for the 13-14-15 year old girls team.

Randy stated, "I am interested in all areas of our schools activities from the academic to athletic. I want to see the best education possible available to our children."

Mollie Williams, incumbent for the position 4 in the Talco-Bogata CISD Board of Trustee election is seeking for her third consecutive term on the Board.

Mollie has served as secretary of the Board for four years and vice-president for two years. "Although there have been some rough times for the school and some unpleasant tasks for the Board, seeing the accomplishments of our district have made it all worthwhile", says Mollie, "and", she continues, "There are still many things to be done to make our district the very best it can be. We have already begun the work toward many of these goals and I would really like the opportunity to see them through."

Mollie is a lifetime resident of Bogata. She is employed with Guaranty Bank as administrative assistant. She is an active member of the First Assembly of God Church where

she teaches the Young Adult Sunday School Class, Children's Church, serves as the Family night Coordinator and vocalist. Mollie and her husband Mike have three daughters, Mikel Haynes, Mandy and Marla Williams and three grandsons, Micah, Matthew and Mason Haynes.

Ricky Franks, incumbent, of Talco has announced his candidacy for the At Large position on the Talco-Bogata Board of Trustees.

Ricky has served as member of the board for the past six years. He attended Talco Elementary and Junior High and graduated from Rivercrest High School. He is employed at Texas Utilities Mining Co.

Ricky and his wife Lori Hervey Franks have two children, Clint, who is a graduate of Rivercrest High School and Kelsey, who will begin Kindergarten next year at Talco School. The family are active members of the Calvary Baptist Church in Talco and are also involved in extra-curricular and community activities, such as Rivercrest Booster Club, Players in Progress and Talco Tee Ball where Ricky is head coach of the Rangers team. He also serves as Tee Ball Director for the Talco Baseball Softball Association.

Ricky said, "I hope the community feels I have done a good job on the board in the past years and I will appreciate their votes this year. I will continue to try and represent our communities well and help provide our children the best education possible".

The polls will open at 7:00 a.m. on May 3, 1997 and will close at 7:00 p.m. at the Talco School and Bogata School. Everyone is encouraged to cast their vote.

GENERAL ELECTION  
(ELECCION GENERAL)

TALCO - BOGATA CONSOLIDATED INDEPENDENT  
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DE TALCO - BOGATA)

MAY 3, 1997 (3 de mayo de 1997)

**OFFICIAL BALLOT  
(BOLETA OFICIAL)**

INSTRUCTION NOTE: (NOTA DE INSTRUCCION)

Vote for the candidate of your choice in each race by placing an "X" in the square beside the candidate's name. (Vote por el candidato de su preferencia en cada carrera marcando con una "X" el cuadro al lado del nombre del candidato)

Trustee, Position 1  
(Regente, Posición 1)

- NICKY BROWN
- ROBERT R. HOLLIS

Trustee, Position 4  
(Regente, Posición 4)

- MOLLIE WILLIAMS

Trustee, Position 7  
(Regente, Posición 7)

- RICKY FRANKS

**Planning meeting set  
for Talco Ex-students**

The Talco Ex-Student planning meeting will be held May 9, 1997 at the Western Sizzlin Restaurant in Mt. Pleasant at 7:00 p.m. The meal will be Dutch. This year honor classes are: 1942, 1947, 1952, 1957 and 1962. If you will be attending, please call Joe Riley at 903-753-1182 or 903-753-5678 or Jo Anschutz 903-379-3611 so we will have space reserved for our meeting. Remember, June 28, 1997 is Reunion Day for the Talco High School Trojans.

**People  
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Things**

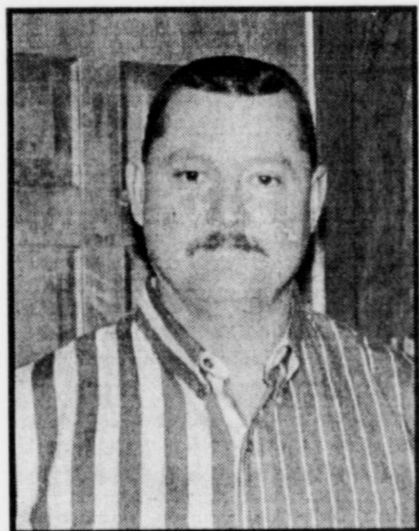
\*The Friendship Circle Ladies Auxiliary of Jolntown will have a bake sale in front of Guaranty Bank-Bogata starting at 2:00 p.m.

The Rivercrest High School Junior-Senior Prom will be held on Friday, May 9, 1997 beginning at 8:00 p.m. at the Mt. Pleasant Country Club.

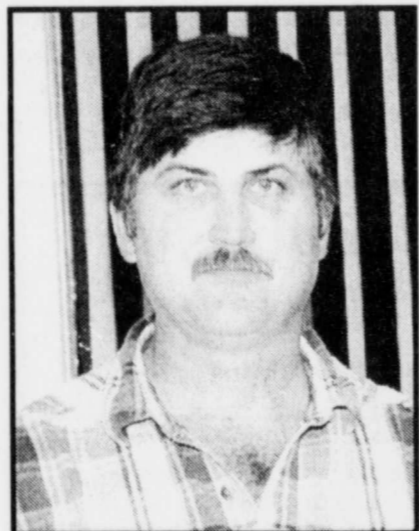
The Rivercrest Athletic Banquet will be held Monday, May 19, 1997 at 6:00 p.m. Tickets for the meal will cost \$5.00 and may be purchased at the gate. Everyone is invited to attend.

The Rivercrest High School Awards Program will be held in the school auditorium on May 27 beginning at 8:15 a.m. Everyone is invited to attend.

The Rivercrest Music Banquet will be held Thursday, May 8, 1997 at the Titus County Civic Center in Mt. Pleasant beginning at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend.



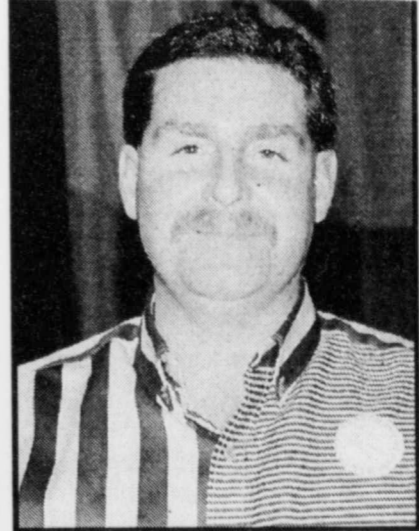
Nicky Brown



Robert R. Hollis



Mollie Williams



Ricky Franks



DONATION-Texas-New Mexico Customer Relations Coordinator, Gary Petty presented Talco Baseball/Softball Association Treasurer, Patsy Smith with a donation check this past week. The donation will go toward helping the organization repair the lighting on the ball field. The donation was greatly appreciated.  
Staff Photo Nancy Brown

**Freddy Wade to be honored**

Freddy Wade, Superintendent of Rivercrest High School will be honored with a Retirement Party on Saturday, May 17, 1997 at 6:30 p.m. at the Rivercrest cafeteria.

The meal will be a covered dish, (vegetable or dessert) and dress for the occasion will be casual. Everyone is invited to attend.

**War on TAAS declared at Talco**

The Talco School students prepared for a week of TAAS testing by "Declaring War on TAAS".

On Monday, April 28 the students and staff enjoyed a pep rally. The students stood for the Pledge of Allegiance. Principal, B.J. Setliff introduced Talco-Bogata School Board of Trustees President, Eddie Brown, who opened the rally with a proclamation declaring war on TAAS, which was presented to Talco Student Council President, Eric Pro-

sey. Students were encouraged to fight the battle and win!

The 1997-98 cheerleaders, Kendall Stansell, Erin Miller, Rachel Case and Danielle Easterling led the students in cheers and pep talks were given by Chrissy Wilson and Kendall Stansell. Each class had their own special cheer and the rally ended with the cheerleaders shooting down TAAS and a victory Rebels cheer. Testing began on Tuesday, April 29. Good Luck students!!

**Talco-Bogata Trustees meet**

The Talco-Bogata Board of Trustees met at the Bogata Elementary-Junior High School on Monday, April 28 following a tour of the campus.

In open forum, Mrs. Anaya Phillips presented some concerns and suggestions on the improvement of the Rivercrest band program.

The consensus agenda was approved which included the minutes of the March 27 and April 8 meetings, financial reports, tax report, cafeteria report and payment of bills.

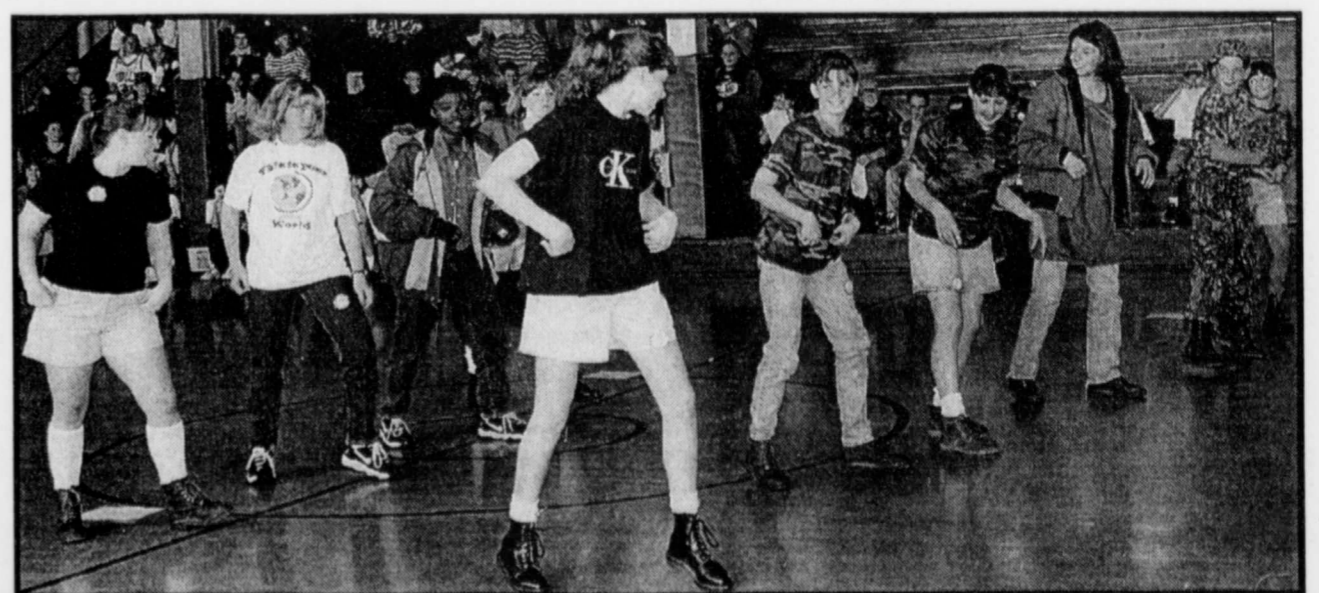
The meeting to canvass the results of the May 3 School Board election was set for 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 6 at Rivercrest. The regular monthly meeting for May was set for Tuesday, May 20 at 8:00 p.m. at Rivercrest.

The AEIS Reprint and goals for 1996-97 were approved by the Board

as was the 1997-98 Calendar. The school year is scheduled to begin August 12 for students. Teachers will report August 7 for the Staff Development.

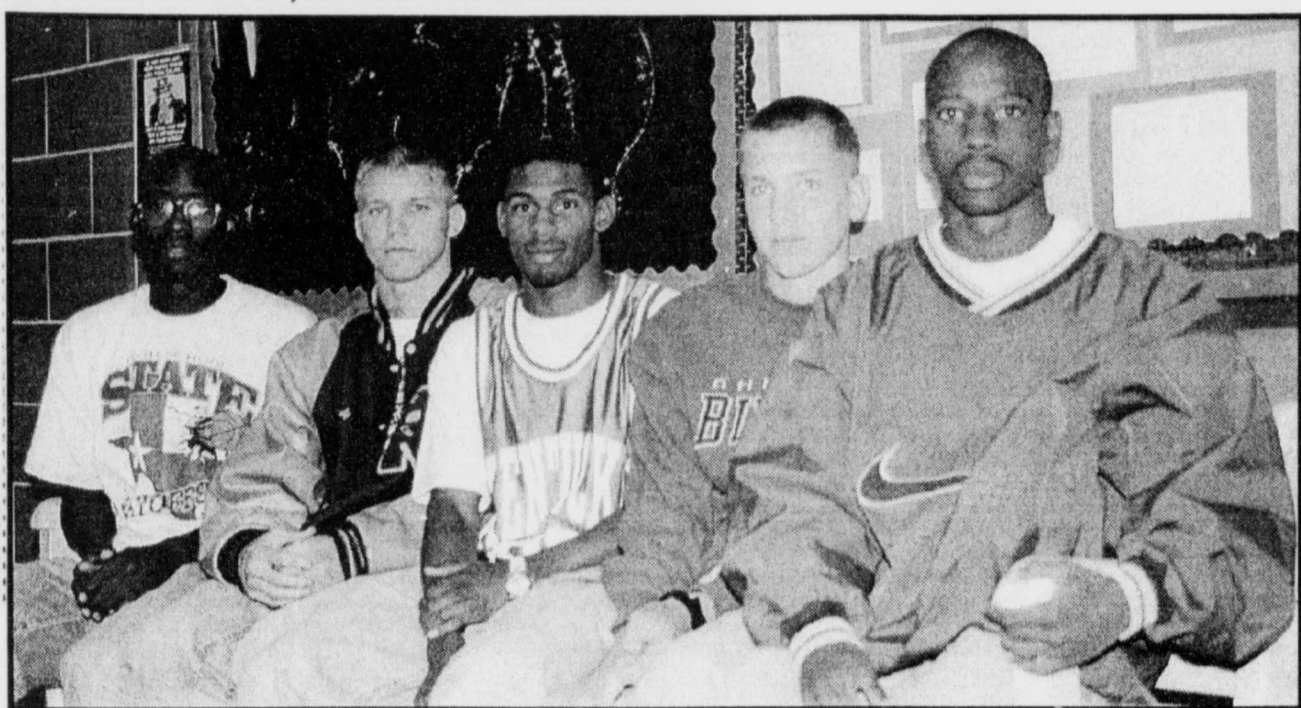
Advertising for bids on the construction of the new sewer plant at Rivercrest was approved for May 11 of the 30-day hearing period clears public appeal. A Tax Waiver for the Public Housing Authority of Talco and Bogata was approved by the Trustees. The Rivercrest Roof Project was discussed without action. It will be placed on the May agenda as will the election of a delegate for the TASS Convention.

The board hired James Daugherty as Junior High Coach to be assigned to the Bogata Campus. The meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.



TALCO STUDENTS-enjoyed declaring a war on TAAS at a pep rally held Monday, April 28. Students wore camouflage clothing as they prepared for the TAAS testing battle on Tuesday.  
Staff Photo Nancy Brown





**HEADED FOR STATE**-The Rivercrest High School 1600 meter relay team took second place at the Regional Finals in Palestine Saturday, April 26. The boys will travel to Austin to compete in the State Final on May 8-9-19. Pictured (from the left are) Jeff Savage, Jody Gray, Michael Allen, alternate, Justin Smith, Mitch Ellis, alternate and not pictured Alvin Savage. Congratulations Rebels and Good Luck!!!!

Staff Photo Nancy Brown

**Luncheon held for Becky White**

A luncheon was given Saturday, April 26, at The Stagecoach Inn in Salado, honoring Becky White, bride-elect of Brian Hurst. Twenty guests attended. Hostesses for the event were Mrs. Joe Travis Kelsey, Mrs. Charlie Kimmey, Mrs. Ronnie Chappell, Mrs. Kenny Paysse and Mrs. E. E. Brooks. Special guests were mothers of the bride and groom, Mrs. Glen White and Mrs. Wayne Hurst, and the groom's sister, Mrs. Kelly Tennison.

**RRC Fair Livestock Show Rules Available**

The 1997 Red River County Fair Livestock Show Rules are ready for distribution. If you are interested in obtaining a copy of any or all of the rules, they may be picked up at the County Extension Office located in the Courthouse. For more information, please call the Extension Office at (903) 427-3867.



Chasity Calvin and Clay Francis

**Calvin-Francis To Wed May 3rd**

Camen Rae Calvin is proud to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their mother Chasity Calvin to Clay Francis. The bride-elect is a 1993 graduate of Rivercrest High School and is currently employed by Sandlin Motors in Mt. Pleasant. She is the daughter of Roger and Mary Lou Hall of Talco. The groom is a 1995 graduate of Prairiland High School and currently employed by Spirit Construction. He is the son of Danny and Ann Francis of Talco and Sharon Francis of Deport. The wedding ceremony will be held May 3 at the United Methodist Church in Bogata at 2:00 p.m. All friends and relatives are invited to attend.

—Josh Billings



Heather Hawkins



Haley Hawkins

**May 1, 1997 deadline for transfers**

Parents interested in transferring students to the Talco-Bogata CISD should pick up transfer forms in the Superintendent's Office before April 30, 1997. May 1, 1997 is the deadline for filing transfer request. After May 1 you must be approved on a hardship basis. For more information call Rivercrest High School at 632-5204.



**JALYN ANN WEDDLE** was born December 23, 1996 to Steven and Stacy Weddle. Grandparents are Ed and Pearl Spencer of Bogaa, Ray and Pat Evers of Paris and Junior and Pauline Weddle of Blossom.

**Hawkins twins celebrate 10th birthday**

A birthday party was given for Haley and Heather Hawkins by their parents, Mark and Jana Hawkins, in the Fellowship Hall of the Johntown Church on Saturday. They received many nice gifts and balloons. Everyone enjoyed cake and ice cream. Koren Hawkins, Lynann Sivard, Katie Mankins and Kacy Harper returned home with Haley and Heather for a birthday slumber party.

All the girls enjoyed a hot dog supper Saturday night. After attending church on Sunday the girls, along with Jessica Navia enjoyed skating at Skateland in Paris. On Monday night James and Paulyne Gibbs treated Haley and Heather with a birthday surprise at the Golden Corral in Paris. Jana Hawkins also attended.

**Bake Sale planned**

The Friendship Circle Ladies Auxiliary of Johntown will be having a bake sale in front of Guaranty Bank-Bogata on Friday, May 2, starting at 2:00 p.m.



**Methodist Youth Fellowship group meets**

Sunday, April 27, 32 youth and 5 adults met in the fellowship hall at 6:30 p.m.

Hot dogs with chili and cheese, chips, kool-aid, fudge brownies and Reese's peanut butter cookies were provided by Bettye Williams, Joy White and Kathy Williams.

Special guests were 6 youth and the pastor from Abundant Life Church in Minter. The youth presented two skits, and each gave their personal testimony on why they want

to go on the Mission trip to Guatemala. Questions were taken from the MYF group and answered with discussion.

The meeting closed with special prayer requests and the Lord's Prayer. Next week the group will have a short business meeting and practice their program.

Anyone who will be going into the 6th grade next year who wishes to join MYF, please call Kathy or Bettye Williams.

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He married Hannah McIntosh. She was born 1837-40 in the Indian Territory in the Creek National. Children were Celia, York Abraham, Thomas and Port. All the children were born in Texas.

Dr. Webster Miller 400 Ferraro Ct. Apt. 107 Pomona, CA 91766

To have a query placed in this column, please write to: Red River Co. Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 516, Clarksville, TX 75426.



1997-98 REBEL JUNIOR HIGH CHEERLEADERS-Chosen as cheerleaders from the Talco campus for Junior High next year are; (back from the left) Kendall Stansell and Danielle Easterling; (front from the left) Rachel Case and Erin Miller. Congratulations girls!!! Staff Photo Nancy Brown

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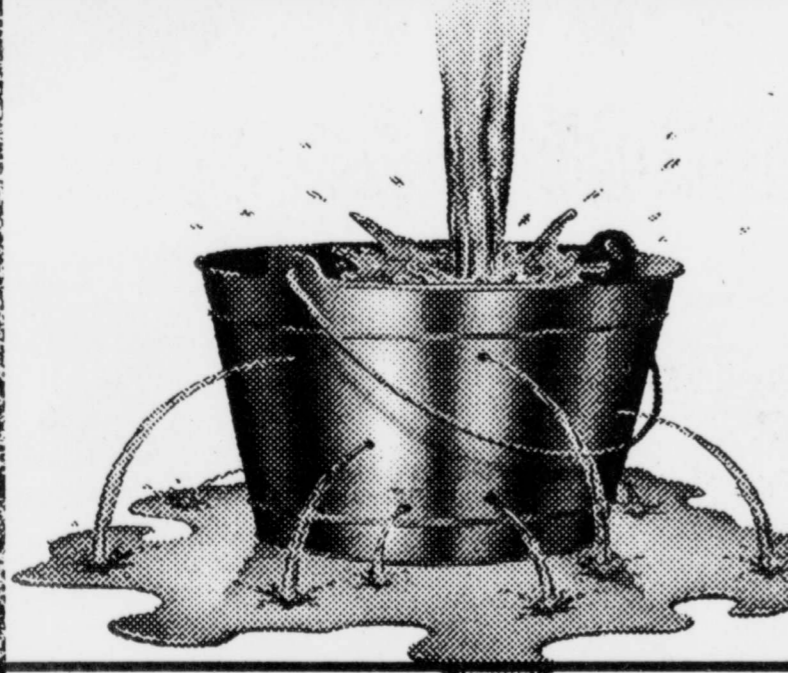
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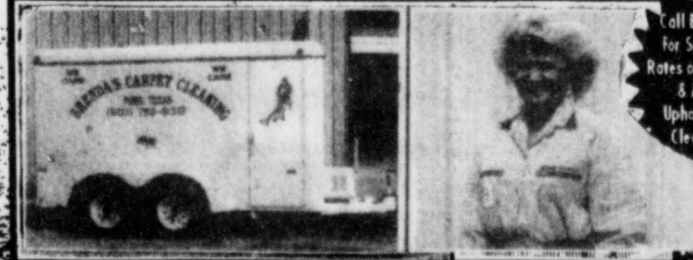
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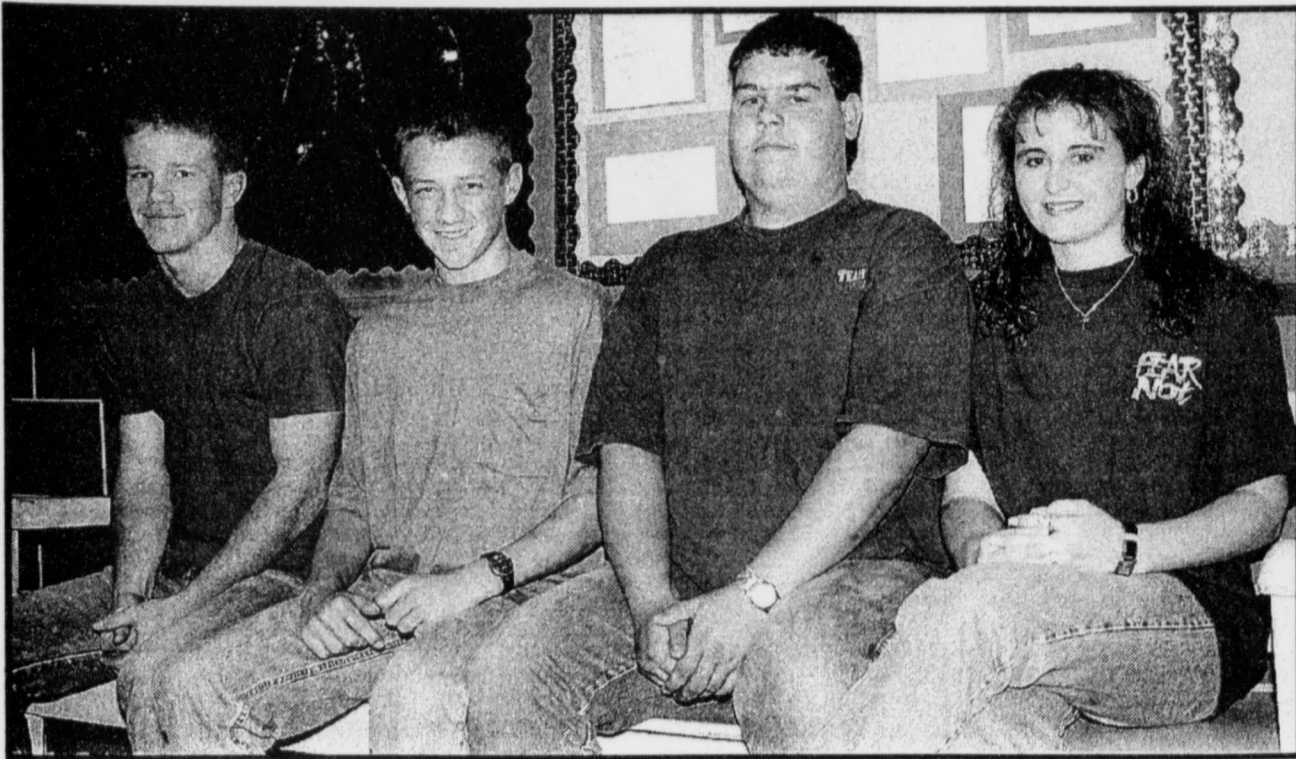


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RIVERCREST-FFA students (from the left) John Ross, Bubba Abernathy, Tye Mankins and Tiffany Shupp placed 5th in the Area 6 Livestock judging contest. Great job students!!!  
Staff Photo Nancy Brown

### Rivercrest attends Regional meet

The Rivercrest Lady Rebels who qualified for the Regional Track and Field Meet traveled to Palestine on Friday, April 25 to compete. Due to the bad weather competition was delayed and the conditions were a factor in each students performance.

For the Rebels Justin Smith placed 4th in the 800 meter run with a time of 2:02:00. The 1600 meter relay team made up of Justin Smith, Alvin Savage, Jody Gray and Jeff Savage placed 2nd with a time of 3:27:0 and qualified to advance to the State Meet in Austin on May 8-9-10. These boys along with Mitch Ellis and Michael Allen who are the team alternates have broken the Rivercrest School

record and are the first team to qualify for state in many years. Congratulations to the boys and their coach, Terry Hill. Go Rebels!!!!!!

Lady Rebels who traveled to the meet were; Amber Spencer, Kristi Hines and Tiffany Prentice.

Amber Spencer tied for 3rd place in the girls High Jump and took 4th place in the 100 meter hurdles. Kristi Hines came in 7th place in the 100 meter dash and Tiffany Prentice finished in 11th place in the 400 meter dash. The girls meet had 39 teams from Regional III, conference AA. The Lady Rebs were a successful and elite group of young ladies. Congratulations Lady Rebels!!!!!!

JOHNTOWN LOCALS  
By Jana Hawkins  
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Monday Eugene Cox and Wyatt Bush of Bogata visited with Tommy Lee, Joyce and Glenda Cox.

Sunday Eugene Cox and grandsons, Tye Crump and Aaron Isles visited with Tommy Lee, Joyce and Glenda Cox.

Betty Evans and Ruby Aldridge of Mount Vernon and Don Wilson of Bogata had lunch and visited with their sister, Joyce Cox last Wednesday.

Sunday, April 27 worship attendance at Johntown Church was 60.

### Trees mean many things to many people

By Steve R. Smith, District Conservationist

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### TNP shares Spring and Summer safety tips

Bogata, TX - Texas-New Mexico Power Company is offering a few helpful reminders to make the most of spring and summer outdoor activities.

"Some of the safety advice we provide may sound like common sense, yet every year, people are injured because they didn't use these simple precautions," says Gary Petty CRC Bogata-Emory Area. "The basic rule of thumb is to treat every power line as if it's energized, even if it's a downed line that you think is dead."

TNP recommends avoiding any contact with power lines and to follow these safety basics:

- \* Never climb power poles or trees that are in the vicinity of power lines.
- \* Never thrust objects into power lines. Even a kite or string, if it contacts a power line, can produce serious shock to the person on the earth holding the kite string. The same applies to model planes and ropes.
- \* Call the local TNP office if branches are growing around power lines. Both aluminum and wooden ladders can be conductors, so leave the tree trimming to the professionals.
- \* Practice extra precaution when using electrical lawn mowers and weed eaters so as not to cut power cords.
- \* Don't attempt to rescue cats that are climbing near utility lines. They will come home when hungry. If the pet is injured, call the local TNP office.
- \* Never let a sailboat sail into an electric line and never raise the mast of a sailboat under an electric power line.
- \* Know the location of underground power lines near your home, and never dig close to them.

The advent of spring also brings spring storms. These storms, as well as some car wrecks and other accidents, can damage electric distribution systems and leave energized power lines lying on the ground. These lines are extremely dangerous and should be avoided. Contact the nearest TNP office or a local law enforcement officer in the event of a downed power line - these representatives will respond promptly to guard against injuries to anyone in the area.

For more information on spring and summer safety, contact your local TNP office at (903)-632-5752. Mexico.

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—G. C. Lichtenberg

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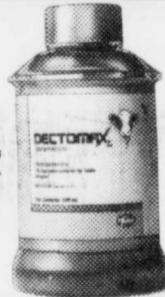
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# Birth



Daniel and Shelly Louderman of Mineola announce the arrival of their daughter, **Hanna Marie**, born April 6 in Hopkins County Memorial Hospital in Sulphur Springs. She was 19 1-2" long and weighed 7 lbs. 11.5 oz. Paternal grandparents are Charles and Nadra Louderman, Sr. of Mineola. Great-grandmothers are Phyllis Lappe of Grand Saline and Nannie Mae Erwin of Mineola. Maternal grandparents are Don and Berenda Mewborn of Mineola. Great-grandparents are Wayne and Joyce Alexander of Talco. Great-great-grandmother is Gladys Garretson of Bogata.

Shawn and Nicki Roberts are proud to announce the arrival of their daughter, **Shelbi Lauren Roberts**. Shelbi Lauren was born on April 21, 1997, at Titus County Regional Medical Center, at 4:46 a.m., weighing 7lbs and 7 ozs. and she was 21 inches long. Grandparents are Russell and Betty Foxworthy of Talco and Laron and Marcella Roberts of Mt. Pleasant. Great grandparents are Ola Faulkner, Sue Roberts Steed both of Mt. Pleasant and Eleanor Foxworthy of Simla, CO.

## Joint genealogical meetings to be held

This is a reminder of the joint meeting of the Red River County and Lamar County Genealogical societies at the Martin Memorial United Methodist Church in Detroit on Monday night, April 21 at 7:00 p.m.

This is a meeting which should be of interest to both beginner and advanced genealogist. A representative of the Dallas Genealogical Society will be there to speak of the upcoming Federation of Genealogical Societies 1997 conference. It will be held in Dallas on September 3-6. There will be something for everyone at the conference and the speaker at the Detroit meeting will provide details on the various aspects of this meeting. The meeting will be attended by genealogists from across the nation.

## American Viewpoints



I am for freedom of religion and against all maneuvers to bring about a legal ascendancy of one sect over another.

Jefferson



RIVERCREST FFA-students (from the left) Sam Stanley, Jennifer Roberts, Sissy Meredith and Jill Foster placed 4th in the Area 6 Farm Business Management contest this past week. Great job students!!!

Staff Photo Nancy Brown



## Cunningham News

By Carol Jean Williams & Lou Hatfield  
652-6792

The Cunningham community extends sympathy to the families of Kevin Day and Floyd Whitney.

The Cunningham Homecoming will be June 28. The meal will be \$6.00 rather than the original price quoted. We regret the change but it is due to circumstances beyond our control. Deadline for payment is June 15. Mail to Jane O'Neal, Rt. 1, Box 63-5A, Deport, TX 75435. Call Jane O'Neal at 652-6062 or Geneva Norwood at 652-3141.

We are planning a picture display and would like to copy 8x10 senior class pictures for the following years: 1838-41-46-62-69 and individual senior pictures for the years of 1940 and 1968 and any ball team pictures. Call 652-6892 and leave a message.

The weather prevented planned work at the community center this week, but we will continue as soon as possible.

Billy Ray, Neva Jean, Brandon and Georgina Oats, Amanda Durock, Dena an Landon Merrill, Frankie, Julie Norwood and boys, Scottie and Treda Norwood and children, Brad Nutt ate dinner and supper with Geneva Norwood on Sunday.

Glenda Watson and Susie Hicks visited Audie Reed in the Deport Nursing Home on Friday.

A regional golf tournament was held in Tyler this past week. Kendra Hicks is a member of the team which placed 7th out of 12. Dustin Allen was a Thursday night supper guest with the Hicks family. Amy Hicks spent the night with Jennifer Taylor Saturday.

Dorothy Green and Francis Thomas visited Norman and Rachel Sain Friday. Larry Bell visited Friday evening. Ollie Ruth, Carl Bufford and June Guthrie spent the day and ate dinner Saturday and Virginia Bell visited Saturday and Sunday afternoons.

Libby Stewart from Jacksonville, AL conducted Bible study in the home of Johnnie and Nelta Musgrove Friday. Several attended including some from Paris. Supper was served to everyone. Libby spent the night with the Musgroves.

Brenda, Jarvis and Renea Watson ate lunch and dinner with Marie Watson Sunday. Renea's mother and father visited Sunday. Brenda Watson, Dena Legate and children were Marie's guests for supper Sunday night.

Lillian King spent the weekend with Leonard and Billie Ford. Lowell Ford of Lubbock is in for the weekend.

The Cunningham Baptist Church held their fourth Sunday lunch and singing following the Sunday morning service.

Larry and Pam O'Neal were dinner guests of Pete and L'Wanda McKnight Sunday.

Marie Watson and Nelta Musgrove visited the United Pentecostal Church in Paris Wednesday night.

Charles and Sue Davis spent the weekend with Kathren Sugg, Kelsey Klinger and Lindsey Sugg spent the night Saturday and Jo Gordon ate lunch with Kathren Sunday.

Each honest calling, each walk of life, has its own elite, its own aristocracy based upon excellence of performance.

—James Bryant Conant

## Commencement is May 9 at PJC

Three hundred graduates will receive diplomas and certificates at commencement exercises Friday, May 9 at Paris Junior College. Commencement will be held at 8 p.m. in the Hunt Center.

President Bobby Walters will present the diplomas and certificates. A reception for friends and families will be held in the Student Center Ballroom following ceremonies.

## PJC to graduate GED recipients

Paris Junior College Adult Education Consortium will recognize its General Education Development recipients at a graduation ceremony and reception at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, May 6.

The event will be held in the Student Center Ballroom. Friends and family are invited to attend.

## Roxton garage sale planned

The Roxton Community Development Committee will sponsor the annual City Wide garage sale of Saturday, May 3. All customers may sign up at each authorized sale for a drawing that will be held that afternoon for a \$25.00 prize. There will be sales at individual homes throughout the town.

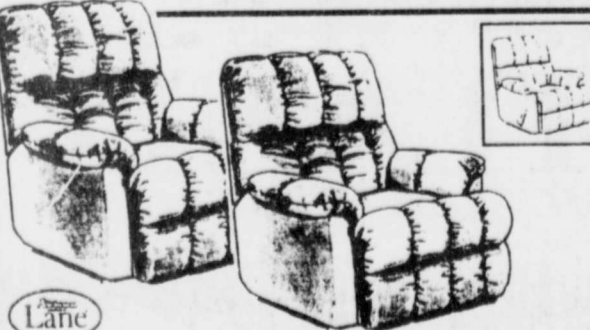
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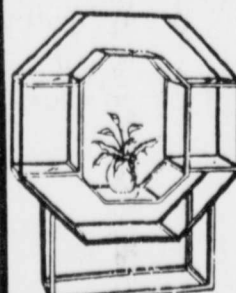
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RIVERCREST FFA STUDENTS-(from the left) Wendy Gentry, Ashlei Moles, Erin Stansell and Nicole Hervey placed 10th in the Area 6 Poultry judging contest. great job students!!!

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**Indictments returned by Grand Jury**

According to Jack Herrington, Red River County Attorney, the Grand Jury returned indictments for the following on April 24, 1997:

Nowlin Eugene Cooper, Clarksville, driving while intoxicated; Thomas Gordon DeBerry, Bogata, Criminal nonsupport; Doyle Dickerson, Clarksville, theft; Barry Joe Fowler, possession of substance in penalty group 1, driving while intoxicated, unlawfully carrying of weapon; Andrea Jackson, Clarksville, tampering

with government record; Dale Lane Jackson, Clarksville, driving while intoxicated, third; Donald Joseph Johnson, Hubbard, Oregon, criminal nonsupport; Barry Blaine Peek, Avery, possession of substance in penalty group 1; George Ray Presley, Clarksville, aggravated assault, aggravated robbery; Marshall Ray Tucker, Naples, possession of controlled substance; Jahmar Nykel Young, Clarksville, aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

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The world is full of willing people; some willing to work, the rest willing to let them. —Robert Frost

**McCain Scholarship Fund Drive begins**

The Richard McCain permanent fund is at \$10,600 at the present, with this investment a perpetual gift of \$500.00 can be made annually.

The committee would like to increase the permanent fund so that the scholarship amount can be more in the future.

Donations to this fund may be made to Hugh Jeffus at Community National Bank, Jake Broadway, Dale Miller, Albert McCain, Jorene Carpenter or Becky McCain.

Any help you might will be appreciated by student recipients in the future.

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By Judy Screws

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Granville and Haletha Jones of Commerce visited her mother, Helen Williams, Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Screws and Tana of Bogata, John and Cokie Roach of Deport and Chris Anna, Jerry, Christopher and Jerred Guerra of Paris were in Tyler Saturday to attend the funeral of their niece and cousin, Shyanne Roberts, who was killed in an automobile accident April 23. While there they all had lunch and visited with Opal and Lelan Stringer, Mrs. Roach's parents.

Dr. and Mrs. E.E. Brooks, Mrs. Joe Travis Kelsey and Carter spent the week-end in Temple with Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Paysse, Jonathan and

Andrew. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Kimmey, Brooks and Kelli. They attended a production of Peter Pan Saturday evening that Brooks was in.

Happy May birthdays to Vicki Tabb, Dan Tabb and Christopher Guerra.

Visiting Zelma Mauldin this week was her grandson, Mike Hatfield from Garland. Last week her son Jim Mauldin visited.

LaNell Franklin and Joyce Ward visited Judy Screws Tuesday afternoon. They were in Bogata to visit LaNell's mother, Bessie Arnett, who is a resident of Red River Healthcare Center, and other relatives.

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**Red River County Sheriff's Report**  
 April 20-26

April 20: Report of cattle complaint on Hwy. 82 east; minor accident on Hwy. 37 north; report of minor accident; inmate transported to county on charge of driving while intoxicated, third or more; inmate transported to county on warrant for possession of alcoholic beverage during prohibited hours; inmate released with arrangements to pay fine; criminal mischief in Detroit; domestic disturbance in Bogata; male arrested on charges of assault on a public servant, terroristic threat and resisting arrest; welfare concern in Clarksville; disturbance in Detroit.

April 21: Inmate transported to TDC; report of forgery in Annona; report of arson in Detroit; report of fraud in Bogata; inmate released on bond; burglary of habitation on FM909; assault in Detroit; harassment in Bogata; inmate released on bonds.

April 22: Animal complaint in Bogata; male arrested on warrant for truancy; inmate released with arrangements to pay fine; harassment in Bogata; one arrested on warrant for capias pro fine, violation of pro-

bation, failure to identify fugitive; report of family disturbance near Dimple.

April 23: Inmate transported to TDC; civil matter north of Clarksville; one arrested on charge of assault; report of theft in Manchester; one arrested on bench warrant and transported to county jail; disturbance in Bogata; 911 violation in Bagwell; harassment in Avery; burglary of habitation in Detroit; disturbance in Detroit.

April 24: One arrested on charges of DWI, third, driving while license suspended and warrant for no liability insurance; five Wisconsin inmates transported from Titus County; one arrested on warrants for issuance of bad check.

April 25: One arrested on warrant for injury to elderly; one arrested for issuance of bad check; criminal mischief in Bogata; inmate released with arrangements to pay fine; welfare check south of Annona; prowler on FM2115.

April 26: Report of theft in Avery; inmate released on bond; report of theft in Bogata; one arrested for DWI.

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 Staff Photo Nancy Brown

**Web Tracks**  
 By Dave Seber  
 For those who want to know more about the internet but don't know where to start!

We have become dependent on an ever-increasing flow of information from the convergence of computing and communications. In large population centers, this demand for information is being satisfied by fiber optics. Dispute the promises of the "Information Superhighway", these services are simply unavailable at any price for most of the world's citizens and geography. Those who have basic phone service get it through 100-year-old technology-analog cooper wire networks that will never be upgraded. It is estimated that 10-35 percent of these copper networks are corroded. We can forget about fiber optics. Stringing wire isn't any cheaper today than it was 100 years ago. There are recent report of Internet usage overloading the phone system, even though only about 10 percent of households use the net.  
 Just to keep the phone system from failing under the weight of Internet usage may cost billions Only a fraction of phone subscribers use them at any given time and tend to have brief conversations. Internet users can stay on the line for hours and this totally fouls up the load factors that the phone company used for network design and pricing. A doubling of net usage would force the phone companies to spend more than \$20 billion to upgrade. Look forward to paying by the minute for calling your local provider. Someone has to pay for lost revenues and upgrading.  
 The Teledesic Corporation, a private corporation based in Kirkland, Washington, was granted a license by the FCC on March 14, 1997 to provide a global "Internet In The Sky" using a constellation of 840 low-Earth-orbiting (LEO) satellites. The FCC license will allow Teledesic to build and launch the Teledesic Network it has been working on for seven years.  
 Backed by telecommunications pioneer Craig McCaw and Microsoft Chairman Bill Gates, the Teledesic Network will provide two-way, broadband connections for voice, data, video and high-performance Internet access. These low-Earth-orbiting satellites at 435 miles in space will provide continuous global coverage with each satellite connected to eight others.  
 By providing this service to the advanced market, the same service is made available to the developing markets. This will enable universal access to the Information Age. Not by the "Information Superhighway" but by the "Information SuperLEOs."  
 The Teledesic Network plans to begin launching satellites in the year 2000 and plans to begin service in 2002. They will not market the services directly. Rather, they will provide for the delivery of promised low-cost services by others using small dish receivers.  
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**Fairview Cemetery Association plans meeting**

**By Mattie Stubblefield**  
 It is almost time for our annual Memorial service. We invite everyone to come and enjoy a good day of fellowship, visiting and eating good food.  
 The meeting will be May 4, beginning at 10:30 a.m. We will give the annual report and have singing and a speaker.  
 Lunch will be at noon on the Church grounds. Bring your food and enjoy the fellowship with friends and neighbors. We will have singing in the afternoon for the congregation, and also some special singing.  
 To our friends and families who wish to make a contribution for the Fairview Cemetery, send a check to First National Bank, Mt. Vernon, Texas 75457, or the Fairview Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund, % Mattie Stubblefield, Route 1 Box 28, Sulphur Bluff, Texas, 75481-9704.  
 We are trying to get money to work on the parking lot. Nina Clawson donated a beautiful quilt to raise funds. We will have some estimates by May 4, of the cost to do this work. It will be brought before the membership. We have sold most of the tickets.  
 More money will be needed so there will be a money collection after the meeting and hope to make enough to finish the cost.  
 Association officers and directors are: Mattie Stubblefield-Treasurer, Mark Hare-President, Paul Newby-Vice President, Debbie Hare-Secretary, Jimmy Aikin-Director, Larry Evans-Director and Howard Marsh-Director.

**Clarksville/Red River County Chamber of Commerce to Celebrate with Open House**

The Clarksville/Red River County Chamber of Commerce will host an Open House on Thursday, May 8th during the house of 10:00 a.m. to noon. Everyone is invited to come by for coffee and refreshments and visit with chamber directors and city and county officials to help celebrate Texas Chamber of Commerce Week.  
 State Comptroller John Sharp, spokesman for the Texas Chamber of Commerce Week recognizes Chambers for initiating programs to help business grow and promoting Texas cities for new investment.  
 Comptroller Shar says programs to enhance the growth of local tax bases mean better school, improved roads and streets and smaller tax burden on homeowners.  
 Chambers are also implementing community development programs in the areas of education, crime prevention, and leadership development, which are critical in the enhancement of local communities.  
 Comptroller Sharp calls on Texas to join him in recognizing local chambers and their volunteers for their commitment to a better statewide community.  
 The Clarksville/Red Rivr County Chamber of Commerce was established in 1922 and represents over 120 business and individual members. The organization is actively working to improve Clarksville and Red River County by focusing on  
 1. Assisting the Economical Development Board with attracting new business to the community.  
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### Board of Regents awards bid for bookstore

The Paris Junior College Board of Regents awarded the bid to operate the college bookstore on Monday night to Office Equipment Center in Paris.

The college store is currently being operated by The Texas Book Company, headquartered in Greenville. Office Equipment Company's contract will become effective July 1 and guarantees PJC \$30,000 per year plus 8.5% of the store's revenue exceeding \$350,000.

PJC Regents also voted to discontinue charging drop fees to students who elect to drop classes, and will no longer charge for copies of their college transcripts. College officials told regents that most drops are made for reasons that will benefit the student and, therefore, the college doesn't charge a fee.

In other business, the Board of Regents approved an Internet Use Policy that will be effective for campus computer system users.

They approved a Code of Professional Ethics and a Student-Faculty Covenant for Success statement that were authorized and presented by faculty and student representatives.

The approved a recommendation that work be authorized to install a new roof on the Applied Science Center and the Student Center, and that a call for new bids be made to connect the Applied Science Center to the campus air conditioning system. Estimated cost for all projects is approximately \$600,000.

They employed Deron Clark as PJC baseball coach and instructor of kinesiology.

Tonya Scott was employed as an advisor in the Educational Talent Search program.

The retirement of physics instructor John Brown and baseball coach and kinesiology instructor Larry Click were recognized. Both instructors retire May 9.

### Thirty-three men, three women arraigned on drug charges in Lamar/Red River Counties

Following the early morning arrests of numerous individuals in Paris and Clarksville on Tuesday, April 15, deputies of the United States Marshall's Office transported the individuals to Sherman to appear before United States Magistrate Judge Robert Faulkner for an initial appearance.

As of Friday, April 18, 33 men and three women had been arraigned and entered pleas of not guilty on the charges contained in the indictments. Numerous detention hearings were held and the following individuals have been ordered detained pending trial in these cases: 27-year old Michael Dewayne Adkism; 22-year old Karrie Demond Black; 23-year old Christopher Lakent Burns; 51-year old Alfred Loyce Green; 26-year old Terry Lynn Hearn; 22-year old Herbert Smith Hill, Jr.; 28-year old Dexter Lamar Williams, all of Paris; and 53-year old Richard Lee Gray; 59-year old Roy Miles; 35-year old Roy Dewayne Miles; and 23-year old Raymond Bernet Owens, all of Clarksville; 32-year old Stafford Dewayne Patterson of Dallas was also detained pending trial.

Detained on prior state charges, and being held pending trial in federal court are: 20-year old Anthony Jerome Hearn; 29-year old Aubrey Delon Jenkins; and 33-year old Carl Edwards Owens, all of Paris.

Detention hearings for the following individuals are set for Wednesday, April 23: 23-year old Henry Dewayne Taylor; and 26-year old Darin Dewayne Washington, both of Clarksville. Also set on Wednesday for plea and arraignment as well as detention hearings are: 26-year old Keithie Ray Cooper; 27-year old James Earl Gray; and 25-year old Locolis Deon Moore, all of Paris. Released by the court pending trial were: 21-year old Driekus Montrell Furch; 28-year old Aaron Laraye Jenkins; 19-year old Casey Lamont Johnson; and 29-year old Lisa Johnson McCleary, all of Paris.

Also released pending trial were: 28-year old Dewayne Earl Coleman; 24-year old Jeffery Demon Edwards; 26-year old Steven Lemont Edwards; 43-year old Anthony Donnell English; 34-year old Mary Katherine Gray English; 50-year old Gloria Reeves Gray; 26-year old Kevin Dadon Titus; and 23-year old Jermaine Jerome Williams, all of Clarksville. Warrants remain outstanding for other, as yet, unnamed individuals who are also charged in the indictments.

In early 1996, the Paris Regional Drug Task Force began to intensify its investigation of drug distribution by these individuals as well as others. In November, 1996, the Mobile Enforcement Team of the Drug Enforcement Administration joined the Paris Regional Drug Task Force and to-

gether they implemented an investigation into three large crack cocaine distribution organizations based in Paris, Lamar County and Clarksville, Red River County.

On April 10, United States Grand Jury for the Eastern District of Texas returned three sealed federal indictments, charging these and other individuals with a variety of federal drug offenses including conspiracy to possess cocaine base with intent to distribute and conspiracy to distribute cocaine base; establishment of a drug distribution operation; use of a communication facility to commit a controlled substance offense; possession with the intent to distribute cocaine base and distribution of cocaine base; distribution of a controlled substance within 1,000 feet of a playground; distribution of a controlled substance within 1,000 feet of the real property comprising a housing facility owned by a public housing authority; and distribution of a controlled substance within 1,000 feet of a secondary school. Arrest warrants were issued on the indictments and officers and agents of the Drug Enforcement Administration, United States Marshal, Paris Regional Drug Task Force, Paris Police Department, Clarksville Police Department, Lamar County Sheriff's Office, Red River County Sheriff's Office, Bonham Police Department, Fannin County Sheriff's Office, Department of Public Safety, Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission, Lamar and Red River County DA Investigators and the Tactical Narcotics Task Force participated in the arrests.

Assistant United States Attorney Carol K. Johnson and Special Assistant United States Attorney W. Reid Wittliff are prosecuting the cases.

### American Viewpoints



The riders in a race do not stop short when they reach the goal. There is a little finishing center before coming to a standstill. There is time to hear the kind voice of friends and to say to one's self: "The work is done." *Holmes*

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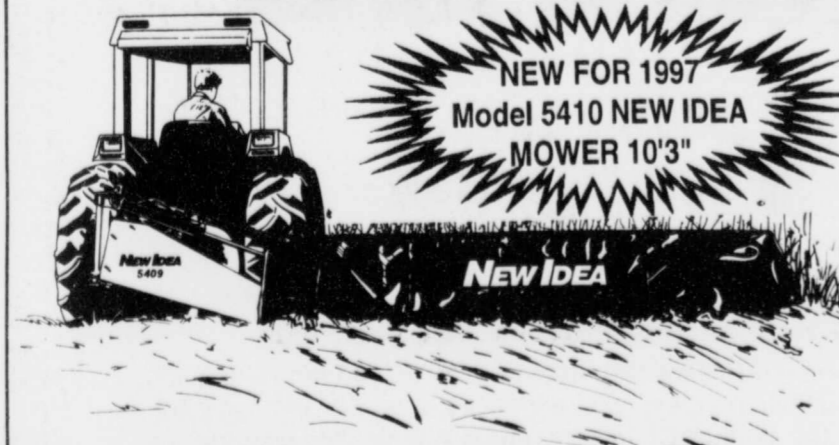
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**MENTORS**-Upper classman at Talco School are serving as mentors for the lower grade students. Mentors are chosen by their conduct, attitude and grades. They help the younger students in many areas of study. Mentors are; (from the left back row) Dustin Rector, Jeremy Ottinger, Mitchell Shirley, Bronson Vasquez and Chance Allen; (from the left front row) Misty Cameron, Chrissy Wilson, Alicia Brumalaw, Shelly Hollis, Jessica Forsyth and Jeremy Grissom.  
*Staff Photo Nancy Brown*



**TALCO SEVENTH GRADE**-Science class and their teacher, Johnny Gable worked on a leaf collection this past week. The students are studying plants and are becoming able to identify local greenery.  
*Staff Photo Nancy Brown*



**NEW BUSINESS**-Main Street and Company has opened downtown Bogata. The business will offer flowers for all occasions, crafts, gifts and balloons. Owner operators are; (from the left) Denise Tippit, Mary Ann Ward and Donnie Lewis. The business will be open from 9-5 Monday through Friday and 9-12 on Saturday.  
*Staff Photo Nancy Brown*



**TALCO SCHOOL'S 1997-98 CHEERLEADERS**- held up a run through which the eighth grade class was happy to crash through. The students and staff enjoyed a Pep Rally building students up to "Win the War Over TAAS". The testing began on Tuesday, April 29.  
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Lee Antone received emergency treatment Friday morning for pneumonia. She is reported doing well.  
The home of Michelle Godwin and Mark Brown was damaged by fire Thursday morning. No one was injured in the blaze but the family lost nearly all of their bedroom and kitchen items.  
Visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Randy Nolen, Destry and Chris Saturday evening were: Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Nolen.  
Francis Richeson underwent surgery at Titus County Regional this past week. She is reported doing well.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Graf, Katherine, Rachel and Susan attended the Regional Track and Field meet in Palestine Friday and Saturday. They enjoyed seeing grandson, Justin Smith and the Rivercrest Lady Rebels and Rebels compete.  
Kim and Paul Anderson of Bogata visited Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Brown and Jack Saturday.  
The Talco Assembly of God Church enjoyed guest pastor, Bro. and Mrs. Hancock of Texarkana this past week.  
Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Fail of Kilgore and Jimmy Crowston visited Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Fail.  
Bro. and Mrs. David Treywick and girls of the Talco Assembly of God Church in Talco returned home to the parsonage after vacationing in Wallawalla, Washington where they spent time with Bro. Treywick's mother and other family and friends.

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**Texas Department of Transportation**

**INFORMAL PUBLIC MEETING**

The Texas Department of Transportation will conduct a public meeting on Wednesday, April 30, 1997 at 2:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers, of the Atlanta City Hall, located at 310 North Louise Street in Atlanta.

The purpose of the meeting is to explain and discuss the Texas Department of Transportation's proposed 1998-2000 Transportation Improvement Program process for selection of highway projects in the Atlanta District's nine county area. These counties include Bowie, Camp, Cass, Harrison, Marion, Morris, Panola, Titus, and Upshur. Departmental personnel will be present to answer questions and receive comments.

All interested citizens and groups are invited to attend the public meeting to express their views.  
Those who cannot attend this meeting or wish to request additional information about this meeting may contact Susan Brown, District Planning Engineer at (903) 799-1311.  
Written comments will be accepted within ten days after the meeting. Submit comments to: D. Gene Adams, P.E., District Engineer, P.O. Box 1210, Atlanta, Texas, 75551, no later than May 10, 1997.  
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TALCO-BOGATA-School Board President, Eddie Brown helped the Talco School students proclaim a "War on TAAS" Monday. The students and staff enjoyed a pep rally to kick off a week of TAAS testing which began Tuesday, April 29.  
 Staff Photo Nancy Brown

**CUTHAND LOCALS**  
 By Jean Upchurch  
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Friday Tye Mankins went to College Station to compete in Livestock Judging.

Cooking pies for the fish fry at Susie Bivins' home were Judy and Camelia Mankins, Hope and Haley Bivins, Janice and Faith Gentry, Joyce and Shyrale Bivins, Susie Bivins and Jean Upchurch.

Having lunch at the 909 Diner Saturday were Mike, Jean and Micah Upchurch, Joyce and Shyrale Bivins, Susie Bivins, Fannie Eudy, Leo and Johnnie Jones.

Pop Bivins, Nathan Mankins, Jeffery Bivins and Mike Upchurch went to look at a horse to buy Sunday.

Eating at Susie Bivins' Sunday were Pop and Pauline Bivins, Jeffery, Haley and Hope Bivins, Joyce and

Shyrale Bivins, Nathan, Tye, Judy and Camelia Mankins, Janice and Faith Gentry, Jean, Mike and Micah Upchurch, Leo and Johnnie Jones, Robert and Nina Jo Holt and the hostess.

Joyce and Shyrale Bivins and Kelly Williams attended the Parenting Class Monday.

Eddie Wayne Belcher came home for the Fish Fry.

Sally Thomas, who is Susie Bivins' sister, called from Sherman to tell all that her family is doing well.

Cuthand got a lot of water this week from rain and caused a lot of people to stay home because the roads were under water.

Call in your Cuthand News, we'll be glad to have it.

**Roberts honored with showers**

Mrs. Shawn (Nicki) Roberts was honored with a baby shower on March 9, 1997, at the home of Carol Leake in Talco. Hostess were Stephanie Barker, Jerilyn Goolsby, Mandi Kelley, Carol Leake and Barbara Russell. Finger foods, punch and cookie were served. Approximately 45 guests attended. The Roberts received many nice and useful gifts.

punch were served. Approximately 25 guests attended. The Roberts received many nice and useful gifts.

On April 1, 1997, Nicki was honored with a baby shower at Guaranty Bank in Mt. Pleasant. Hostess were fellow coworkers from the credit department, including: Bry Baker, Sherri Brabham, Cindy McLeRoy, Gay Poole, Betty Reese, Rene Rodgers and Renee Sparks. Punch and cookies were served. Approximately 35 guests attended. Nicki received many nice and useful gifts.

Nicki was also honored with a baby shower on March 22, 1997, at the home of Janet Fry in Mt. Pleasant. Lee Ann Brown and Janet Fry were hostess. Cake squares, cookies and

**Shower held for Becky White**

Becky White, bride-elect of Brian Hurst, was honored with a bridal shower Saturday afternoon, April 19, at the home of Mary Ann Ward. More than 40 guests registered to honor Miss White.

Special guests at the shower were the bride-elect's mother, Alice Ann White, and the prospective groom's mother, Barbara Hurst, from Axtell.

She received a nice assortment of gifts. The hostesses presented her with an eight piece set of Farberware cookware. In keeping with Miss White's musical background, she chose stainless flatware called Mandolin.

Hostesses for the shower were Shirley Anderson, Kay Byndas, Bobbie Damron, Linda Eilers, Gerlyn Gray, Kay Ross, Donna Rozell, Paula Speir, June Stanley, Miriam Stephenson, Sandra Stockton, Jane Strawn, Mary Ann Ward, Maggie Williams and Clarice Vaughan

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