

Nichols Worth



By Nanalee Nichols

Well, it's a great place to work! Last night Thomas and I were discussing exactly how things would be managed the week that I undergo a total knee replacement. This is set for sometime in late March or April, and as all self-employed folks know, planning must take place in order for things to work smoothly when off from work.

We have an employee, Pam Fenner, who works for us on Tuesdays. The demands of her other job will require her to leave soon, and she was saying she hated to leave because it was so much fun to come up to Deport on Tuesdays and laugh, joke, struggle with problems on the computer and generally enjoy working with "the gang".

That set us to remembering other part time or full time employees or co-workers who left for various reasons.

Every one of them says that they miss the joking, the good food brought in by such excellent cooks as Liz Irwin and Nancy Brown, the friendships and the hilarious foul ups that make the weekly newspaper business unique but never boring!

I began to remember back when I first went to work for this newspaper. It will be twenty-one years this next month! It must be true that time flies when you're having fun, because it has flown by.

And, throughout the frustrations, the dealing with people we have offended or angered, the problems with trying to get some subscribers their paper in a timely manner, the financial struggles that most small businesses go through...I've had a wonderful time! I suppose it takes a certain zany mentality to be in the paper business...because we have always had people to work with who possess a sense of humor and silliness, which is the saving grace of the whole profession.

Those twelve and fourteen hour days on Tuesdays and Wednesdays have been tough...but the silliness and joking, the breaks as friends up and down the street drop by, the challenge of trying to provide readers with a product that will inform, entertain and lighten their day has overridden the bad parts. Do you know how funny a bit of local news that reads "Santa dropped by and passed out" is at midnight of the Christmas edition? Of course, we KNOW it should have read that he dropped by and passed out gifts...and that's what we put in the paper, but not before getting a good, solid, healing laugh out of it!

The fax machine spits out a joke to be passed around, someone else tells a joke they heard, we snack on some goody someone brought in to share, and somehow, through it all the computer keyboards click and the work gets done!

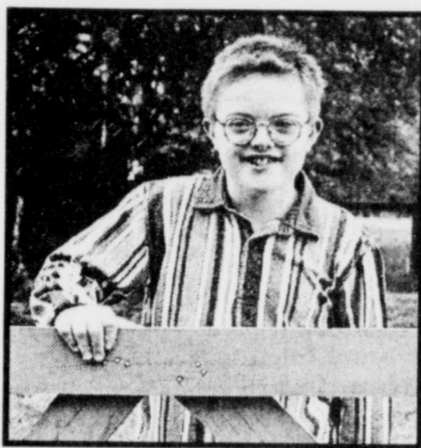
The pay scale for employees and ourselves is pretty pitiful compared to many salaries in the world today. The hours are weird and hectic and the work is hard. But by gosh, we get a lot of laughs, good food and friendship.

And that's mighty good work if you can get it, isn't it?

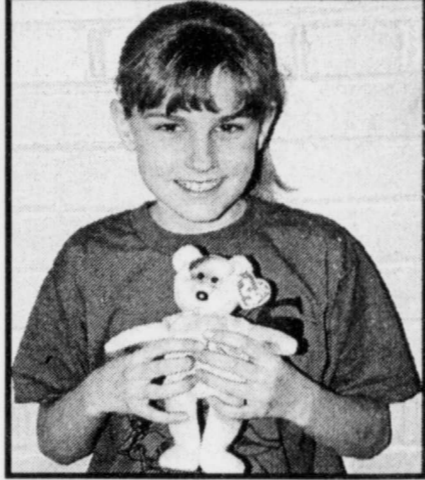
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Talco Times

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JOHN STEPHENS-better known as John John at Talco School won 2nd place in his division in basketball skills at the Special Olympics held in McKinney, Tx. on Saturday, Feb. 13. John is the son of John David and Carolyn Stephens of Talco. Congratulations John John!!!!



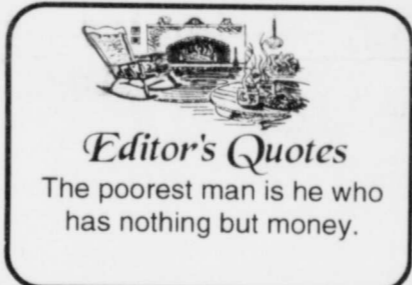
ALEX WRIGHT-was a winner of the Talco School Accelerated Reading Program's Beanie Babie drawing. Chances were sold for \$1 each and Alex received the Peace Bear when her name was drawn last week. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



ERIKA JONES-was a winner of the Talco School Accelerated Reading Program's Beanie Babie drawing. Chances were sold for \$1 each and Erika received the Valentino Bear when her name was drawn last week. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

VFW Auxiliary plans benefit

Bogata VFW Post 8187 Ladies Auxiliary will host a benefit yard sale to raise money for the Holt family. The yard sale will be held Friday and Saturday, February 19 and 20 until noon daily. Anyone with items to donate should bring them to Lily White's home next to the VFW Hall. All proceeds will go to the Harold Holt Family to help with caring for their children who have been diagnosed with spina bifida.



Editor's Quotes

The poorest man is he who has nothing but money.

TBSA holds first sign up Feb. 13

The Talco Baseball/Softball Association held the first sign up of the year on Feb. 13, 1999 at the Talco School cafeteria from 9 am to 4 pm. A total of 34 players ranging in ages from 4 years to 18 years registered.

The final sign up for the coming season will be held on Saturday, Feb. 20 at the Talco School cafeteria from 9 am to 4 pm. This will be the last chance for students to participate in summer league softball and baseball. Parents must sign a consent form, give medical information, pay league fees and present a copy of their child's birth certificate at sign up. For more information contact Marta Rhoades at 379-5861 or Patsy Smith at 379-2970.

Following the sign up at 4:00 p.m. the TBSA will meet. All coaches or persons interested in coaching must attend this meeting or contact a TBSA officer with a valid reason for absence or teams will be given to coaches present. Officers who miss 2 meetings without a valid reason will be replaced this year. Teams will be set up and plans for the season put into motion.

Under Old Business, the group must elect a T Ball and Boys Directors. Everyone interested in helping provide Talco children with summer fun is encouraged to attend. Officers for the group are Sammy Ellis, Randy Hollis, Marta Rhoades and Patsy Smith.

Feb. 18 to be date of next four lane meeting

According to Rick Mackey of the Texas Department of Transportation the meeting pertaining to the development of four laneing U.S. 271 from Paris to Mt. Pleasant has been set for February 18. There will be an Open House from 6 to 7 p.m. and at 7:00 p.m. the meeting will begin.

The meeting will be at Rivercrest High School.

The purpose of this meeting will

RHS Beta Club sponsoring pasta for pennies

The Rivercrest Beta Club and the Olive Garden Italian Restaurants are conducting a benefit for the leukemia Society, North Texas Chapter, from Feb. 16 through March 5. Fourth period classes at Rivercrest are collecting coins which will help with the fight against Leukemia and its related cancers--Hodgkin's disease, lymphoma, multiple myeloma and improve the quality of life for patients and their families. The class collecting the most money for the Leukemia Society will receive a luncheon at the Olive Garden Italian Restaurant in Longview.

Leukemia is a cancer of the blood-forming tissues-the bone marrow, lymph nodes and spleen. It appears as uncontrolled multiplication of abnormal blood cells. When leukemia

strikes, millions of abnormal and useless white blood cells accumulate in the tissues, preventing the production of normal red and white blood cells and platelets. Standard treatment of leukemia and related cancers are: chemotherapy, radiation and bone marrow transplant. The Leukemia Society enrolls patients in the patient-aid program to be eligible to receive direct financial assistance. Funding is also used for research to find effective treatments for Hodgkin's disease, lymphomas and other kinds of cancer, including breast and lung cancer. Anyone in the community may donate to the Leukemia Society, North Texas Chapter through this project sponsored locally by the Beta Club. Call the high school at 632-5204 for more information.

Rivercrest FFA members observe FFA week

The Rivercrest FFA Chapter is celebrating National FFA Week this week along with several million other FFA members and their advisors in the United States.

The Rivercrest Chapter has around 90 members and three advisors, Craig Ingram, Kenny Swinford and Jimmy Rogers. Members learn the value of leadership, responsibility, technical skills, good business sense, farm economics and much more.

1998-99 Rivercrest FFA Officers are: President-John Ross, Vice President-Aaron Martin, Secretary-Pearis Abernathy, Treasurer-Cassie Cannon, Reporter-Sissy Meredith, Sentinel-Jamie Daniels, Advisor-Jimmy Forsyth and Historian-Kasey Crawford. Serving as Greenhand officers are: President-Mark Evans, Vice President-Kayla Belcher, Secretary-Charla Hines, Treasurer-Kayla Sears,

Reporter-Kim Exum, Sentinel-Carressa Covington, Advisor-Ryan Hawkins, Parliamentarian-Ashley Williams and Chaplain-Misti Tucker.

The Rivercrest students have competed in the Red River County and Titus County Fairs in the lamb, pig, heifer and rabbit exhibits. They received 1st place in the Quiz team District contest, 3rd place in the Greenhand creed speaking and 3rd place in the Parliamentary procedure. At the Area contest the Quiz team took 5th place and the group received 7th place in Parliamentary procedure.

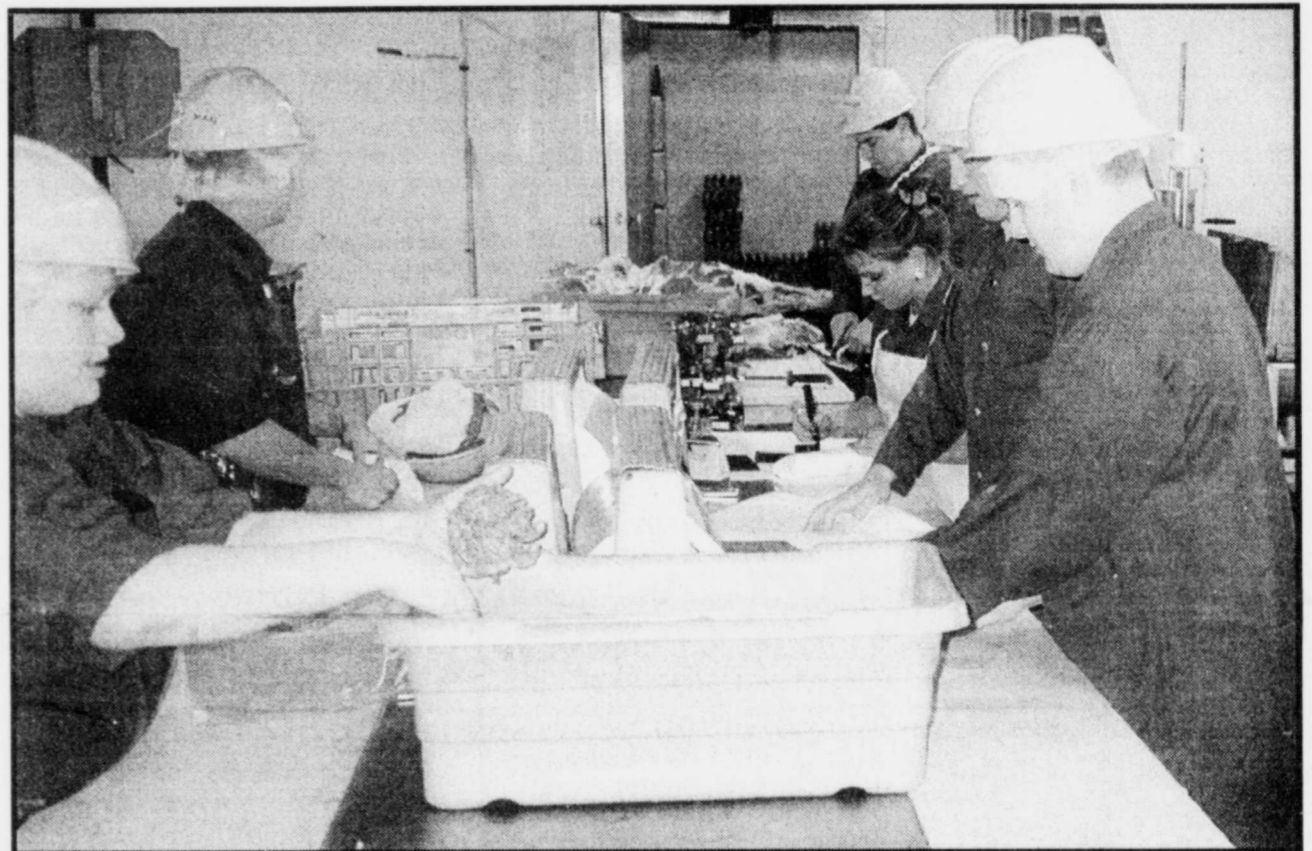
FFA members showed their animals at the Ft. Worth Fat Stock Show and Mark Evans, Bubba Abernathy and Daniel Lee participated in the Calf Scramble. Bubba and Daniel caught calves. They received a check to purchase a heifer to prepare for show next year. Kasey Crawford and

Jamie Daniels were alternates to the Calf Scramble team.

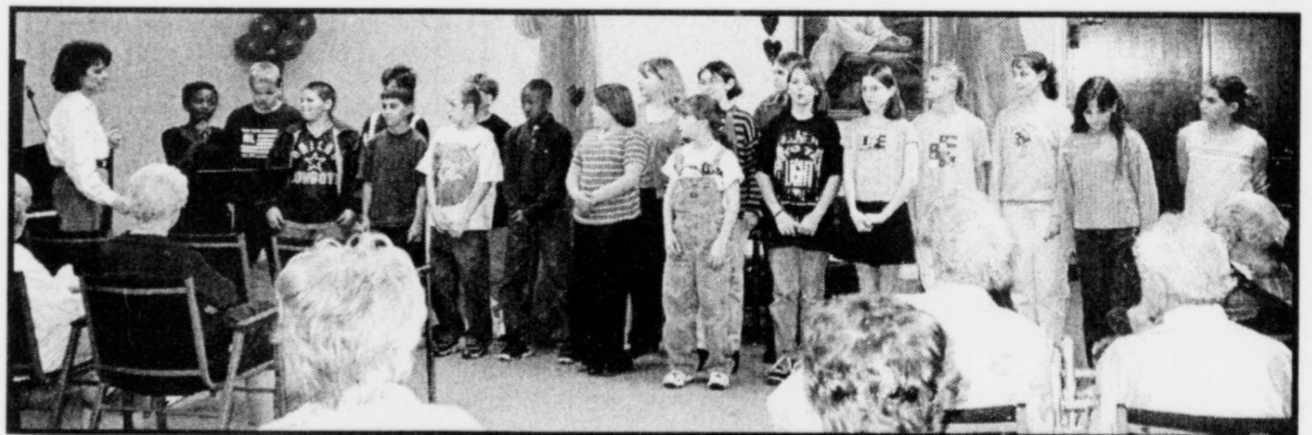
The members have attended the Green Hand Camp and District and Area Conventions this year. They plan to attend the State Convention in Amarillo this summer.

As fund raisers the Rivercrest students sell fruit, meat and poinsettias. The horticulture class also has an annual plant sale in April.

The group are looking ahead to the FFA Banquet set for April 29, 1999 beginning at 6:30 p.m. at the Rivercrest cafeteria and auditorium. State Officer, Nathan Daniels will be the guest speaker. The Houston projects will begin this week and the spring contest; farm business management, livestock judging, land and dairy judging are being prepared for. The National Convention will be held in Kentucky this year.



RIVERCREST MEAT LAB STUDENTS- use the assembly line method to make patties and package hamburger.



MRS. NEVA JEAN OATS' SIXTH GRADE MUSIC CLASS FROM TALCO SCHOOL performed for the residents at the Valentine's Day Program at Red River Healthcare Center in Bogata last Friday.

Talco Student Council sponsor Pennies for Patients

The Talco Student Council will sponsor "Pennies for Patients" Feb. 16 through March 4, 1999.

"Pennies for Patients" benefits the Leukemia Society of America. All students can participate by bringing

their spare change each day. All money raised will go toward cancer research and help children receive the medical attention they need.

The child the Talco students will help is an 8 year old girl, Danielle

from Arlington. The class that has the highest total at the end of the event will be rewarded with a pizza party. Anyone wishing to make a donation to this worthy cause can contact Tammy Case, Student Council Sponsor, at the Talco School 379-3841.

Lunch time homecoming planned

By Frances Mayes Rozell

We hope that you are making plans to be in Bogata April 10 for homecoming with lunch at 1:00 p.m. We will serve until 2:00 p.m., so if you are running a little late --- come on!

We all know and love Virginia Pike Coats (maybe because she first loved us). Can you believe she graduated 60 years ago? She can still do a Bogata Bulldog Yell as good as any younger Bogata graduate. Virginia is excited and definitely plans to be here. Sam Latimer graduated the same year. Does he ever miss a homecoming? I don't think so - Billy Ray Whitten and Frank Harber, Jr. of this class of 1939 also hope to be here. Won't they have a good time! Other members of the class of 1939 are J.W. Childress, Bernice Griffin, Faye Setzer, Mildred Cooper-Salutatorian, John Nolon Gibson, Billy Proctor, Loretta Rodgers, Dorris Pittman, Chrystine Corbell Baker, Ruth Wright, Doris Tatum, Raymond Jennings, Marie Williams, Nancy Margaret Speir, Alfred Puckett, Dessie Baughan, Cecil Rogers, Eu-

Eugenia Bell, Mabry Scarborough, J.A. Scarborough, Hugh Forester, (Hugh is recovering from a car accident and we are hoping he will be able to attend), Leona James, Otha Summerall, Edith Smiley, Lorene Morgan-Valedictorian (a few years back while doing homecoming news, Hugh Forester said the valedictorian of this class was the left handed Morgan girl - we continue to enjoy his remark), Frank Edward Moore, Dick Bass, Carl Jones, Melvin Jones, E. Brown and Estell Jeffery.

We hope ex-students from all classes will be able to attend Homecoming, however Bogata Homecoming is for all teachers, family and friends of Bogata - not just ex-students... So make plans now to attend the Homecoming April 10, 1:00 p.m. for lunch and then business meeting, program and visiting to follow in the gym.

People 'N Things

The Rivercrest Athletic Booster Club will meet at 7:00 p.m. at Rivercrest on Monday, Feb. 22. All members are encouraged to attend.

All Driver's Education students at Rivercrest High School are reminded they must have an original or certified copy of their birth certificate in the school office by Feb. 26. Students will not be allowed to test if their certificates are not available. For more information call Rivercrest High School at 632-5204.



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GIVING A GOOD DRINK-to the plants in the Rivercrest green house are students Debra Janes and Sam Stanley.

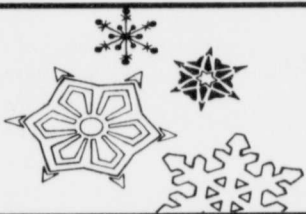
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Marla Williams

Marla Williams on president's honor roll

Marla Williams of Bogata has been named to the President's Honor Roll List at Johnson County Community College in Overland Park, Kansas. Being named to the President's list is the college's highest academic honor, awarded to only two percent of its students. To receive this distinction, a student must be enrolled in at least 12 hours and earn a 4.0 grade point average.

Marla is the daughter of Mike and Mollie Williams. She is a Rivercrest High School graduate.



Brittany Walesiak

Walesiak is finalist

Brittany Walesiak, the daughter of Russell and Jim Ann Ward of Johntown, has been chosen as a state finalist in the Miss Texas American Princess Pageant.

Brittany will be competing for the title of Miss Texas American Princess in August.

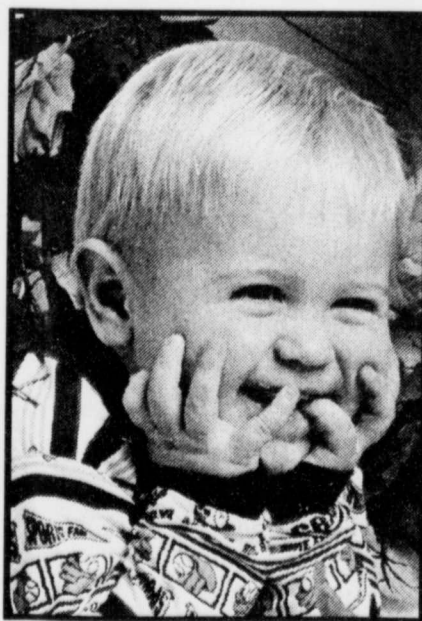
Ladies Auxiliary of JMBC holds Valentine Banquet

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Johntown Missionary Baptist Church hosted a Valentine Banquet Sunday at noon in the Fellowship Hall of the church. The banquet was enjoyed by all ages.

The tables were decorated with white table cloths with center pieces of red roses, red hearts and candy kisses. A delicious meal of chicken spaghetti and all the trimmings was served.

Plans are now being made by the Ladies Auxiliary to attend the Great hills Ladies Retreat in Texarkana March 5th and 6th.

The Auxiliary was saddened last week by the death of Dorothy Foster, who was one of the charter members. The Auxiliary was organized in 1966. Dorothy will be remembered by her faithfulness and dedication to the Johntown Missionary Baptist church.



Brian Johnson

Brian Johnson celebrates birthday

Brian Johnson celebrated his second birthday on Sunday, January 31, with a birthday party at his home. His birthday theme was Scooby Doo and Rugrats. Many of his family and friends attended including his parents; Jason and Karen, his grandparents; Vickie and Ross Griffin and Vickie Bryant and Clyde Johnson, his aunts and uncles; Michelle and Zach Williamson, Leslie and Shand Wright and Scott and Michael Johnson and his cousins; Alex and Jacob Wright. His friends attending were Marena, Haley and Hope Bivins, Misty Rodden with Trevor and Trenton Ellison, Melanie and Steven Thomas and Matthew Woodlee.

Brian received many nice gifts and had a great day.

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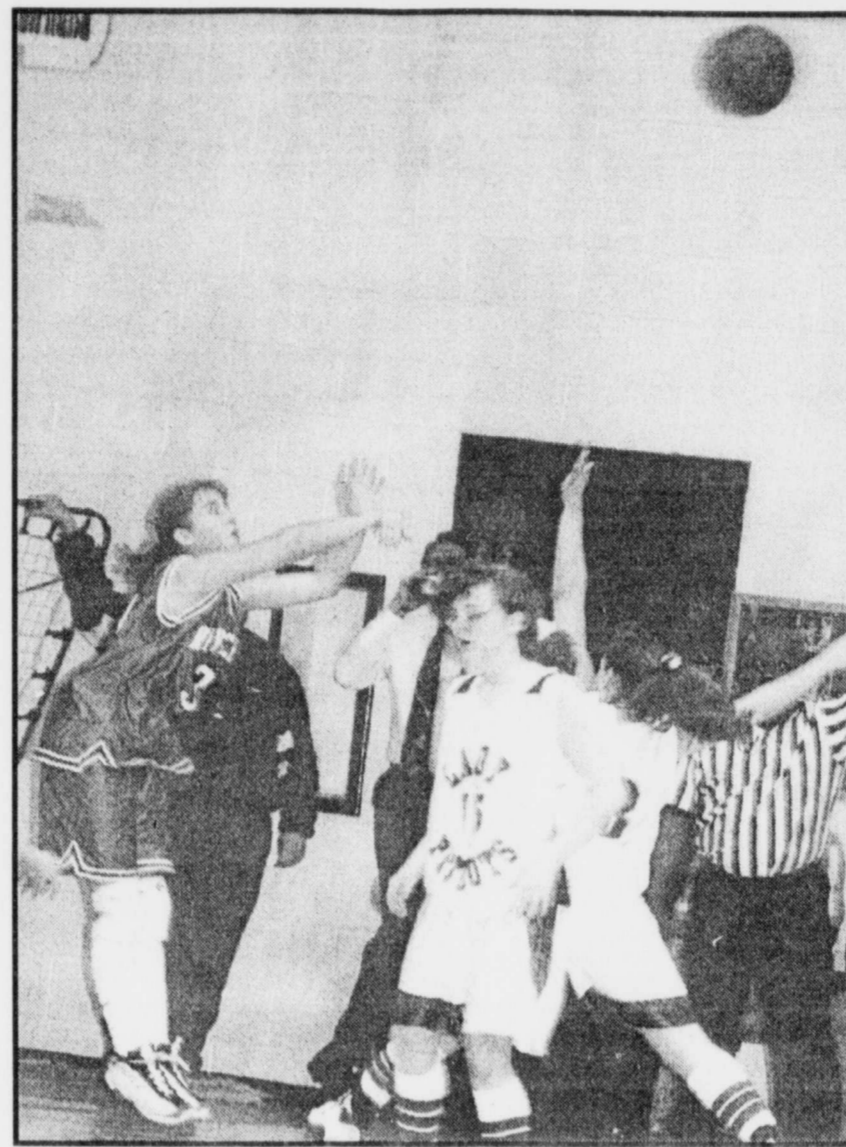
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KIM ROSS-puts up a shot as the Lady Rebels met the Lady Patriots at Prairiland on Friday, Feb. 5. The Lady Rebs took the win 85-31. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

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Little Dribbler's compete Saturday

The Talco-Bogata Youth Basketball teams competed on Saturday at both Talco and Bogata gyms.

Results of the Talco team's play are; The Lady Bulls traveled to Bogata to meet the Lady Swoops. The Lady Bulls won the contest with a score of 24-12. Alex Wright was high scorer with 8 points. Also scoring were Melanie Smith-6, Megan Savage-4, Angie White-4 and Camill Wright-2. Scoring for the Lady Swoops were Courtney Merchant with 8 points, Lauren Beers-2 and Jessica Thompson-2. The Nitro Girls met the Lady Hawks at Bogata and were defeated by one point after a good game. The Razorbacks lost to the Bogata Longhorns by 1 point at Bogata. The Bad Boys won over the Bogata Lil Jams at Talco. The WWF were defeated by the Jammers at Talco. The Mustangs were defeated by 2 points at Bogata and the Rugrats took a 19-5 win at Talco over the Hornets. Jillian Sloan and Terrance Cannon shared the high scorer position with 6 points each. Also scoring were L.B. Morris with 5 and Justin Bryan with 2.

The teams will play their final season games on Thursday at both the Talco and Bogata gyms and on Saturday at both gyms. The 5th and 6th grade girls and boys will compete in an end of year tournament at Rivercrest to round off the season. All proceeds from the year will go to provide senior scholarships, treat the players to a pizza party, provide trophy's and retain funds to begin next year's games. Attend and support your favorite team!!

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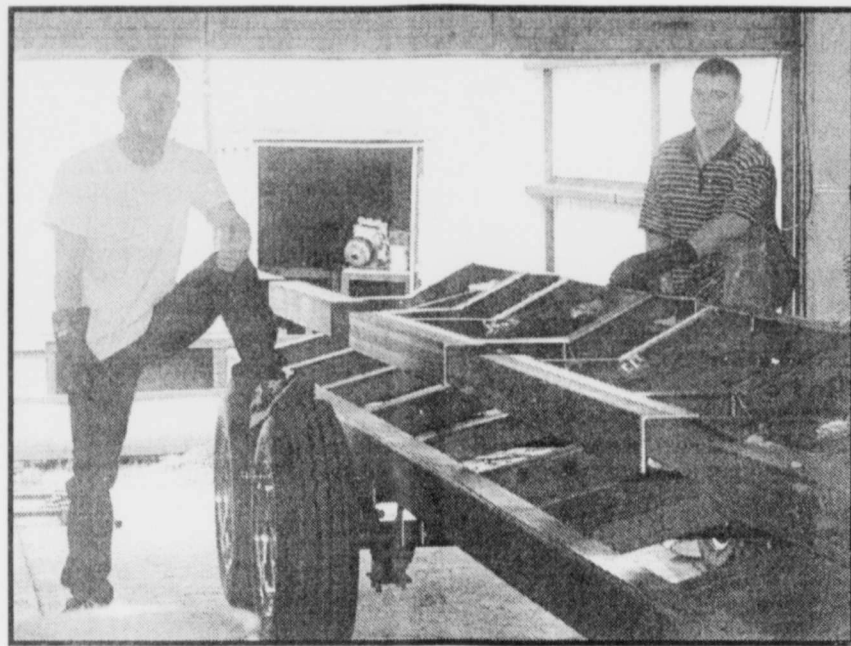
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Little Dribblers kick off season

The Rivercrest Youth Basketball (Little Dribblers) season started off with a bang on Saturday, Jan. 30, 1999 at the Bogata gym. In the first game the Guaranty Bank Hornets saw action from the Hawk Installation Black Hawks. The Hornets, coached by Joe Rose and Stanley Jesse were defeated 30-4 by the Hawks coached by Kathy Hawkins. Hornets team members are: Jessica Jesse, Clay Rose, Milan Patel, Garrett Sheffield, Dakota Early, Aaron Haley, Callie Anderson, Haley Screws, Jimmy Schmidt, Anthony Watkins, Cheyenne Williams and Kaimbri White. Black Hawks team members are: Seth Hawkins, Jarod Davidson, Seton Hawkins, Alec Moreno, Ryan Kennedy, James Don White, Matthew Haynes, Tara Raulston, Tara Cunningham, Jennifer Livingston and Luke Speir.

The 5th and 6th grade Lady Hoops defeated the Lil Rebs 31-9. The Lady Hoops are coached by Mark Hare and sponsored by Hare Cattle Co. The Lil Rebs are coached by Connie Giles and Jean Upchurch and are sponsored by Ken Harrison. The Lady Hoops team members are: Sarah Hare, Mandy Crawford, Cindy Livingston, Baillie Spencer, Stacy Borders, Casey Hammonds and Jill Shirley. The Lil Rebs team members are: Tiffany Giles, Micah Upchurch, Amanda Middleton, Erica Moreno, Holli Bush, Dana Crawford and Nikki O'Donnell.

The 3rd and 4th grade girls played the third ball game of the day. The Comets, sponsored by Bill Sand Gravel and Propane defeated the Lady Swoops sponsored by Bogata Auto Parts. The game was a real thriller with a final score of 8-6 Comets. The

Comets are coached by Ashley Ross. Comets team members are: Carmen Martin, Emily Hood, Franny Galyean, Taylor Anderson, Sarah Jean, Kirby Needham and Sherea Roach. The Lady Swoops are coached by Karen Beers, Kathy Thompson and Melissa Merchant. Lady Swoops team members are: Nikki Ebarb, Courtney Merchant, Lauren Beers, Courtney Lemme, Vicki Schmidt, Vallery Schmidt and Jessica Thompson.

In the 3rd and 4th grade boys division the Longhorns coached by Donnie Hays and Chris Dickey overcame the Blue Jammers 24-5. Longhorn team members are Brian Hays, Jesse Harville, Micah Haynes, Chris Shirley, Aaron Rolon, Cole Sheffield, Coty Townes, Aaron Lum and Jason Cunningham. The Longhorns are sponsored by Jimmy and Dave Body Shop and Circle K Paint. The Blue Jammers are coached by Terry Jordan. Team members are: Lee Jordan, Brad Haley, Callen Morgan, Matthew Ward, Chris Watts, Matthew Shew, Jesse Hanna, Colt Crawford, Colby Horn and Ethan Meredith. The team is sponsored by Home Town Health Care.

The 5th and 6th grade girls rounded out the days games with a very hard fought game between the Lady Hoops, sponsored by Hare Cattle Co. and the Lady Hawks, sponsored by the Cross Arrow Ranch and Crawford Ranch. The Lady Hoops won with a score of 16-14. The Lady Hawks are coached by Ann Simmons and team members are: Kati Ward, Dana Spier, Crystal Howerton, Haley Hawkins, Koren Hawkins, Johanna Ingram and Kerri Simmons.

The games are set for Thursday nights and Saturdays at both the Bogata and Talco gyms. The admission is \$1 for adults and .50¢ for students. There is a full concession stand available and both gyms. Come out and support our youngest basketball stars.

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Cunningham News
 By Linda Anderson
 652-3502 or 652-2059

Lorette Pynes was dismissed from the hospital Wednesday.
 Dean Ogden of Longview has been staying with her mother during her illness.

Visitors this week of Lorette Pynes were: Sue Pynes, Paris; Regina Newman, Malcom and Brianna Moore of Dallas; Blacke Newman of Blossom; Charles Buddy Pynes, Paris; Lucy Fowler, Buddy Taylor and Pat Norwood of Cunningham.

Stevie and Hunter Daniel spent the weekend with Marty Anderson.
 Youth from the Baptist Church visited the Red River Nursing Home in Bogata and then went and ate Pizza Wednesday night.

Ladies attending the Women's Conference Meeting at East Paris Baptist Church this weekend from Cunningham were: Pam Norwood; Julie Norwood; Paula Taylor, Geneva Norwood, Pat Norwood, Kristi Baker, L'Wanda McKnight, Debbie Gilbert and Linda Anderson and Neva Jean Oats.

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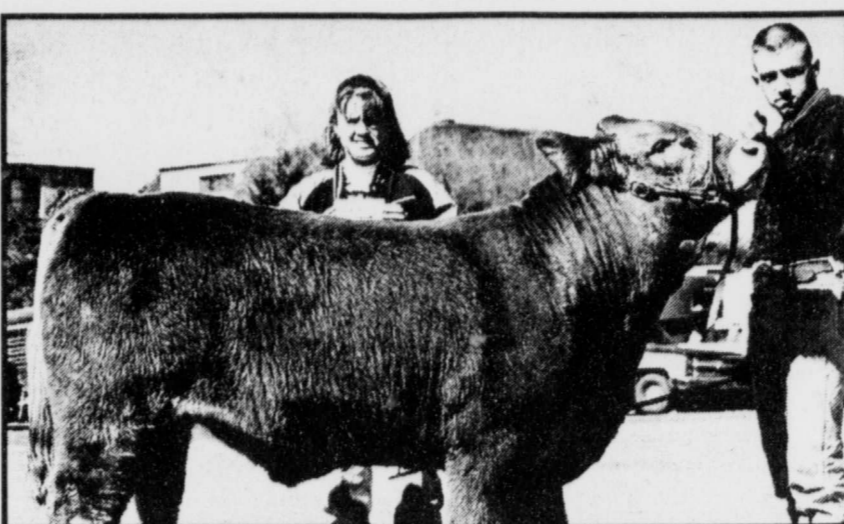


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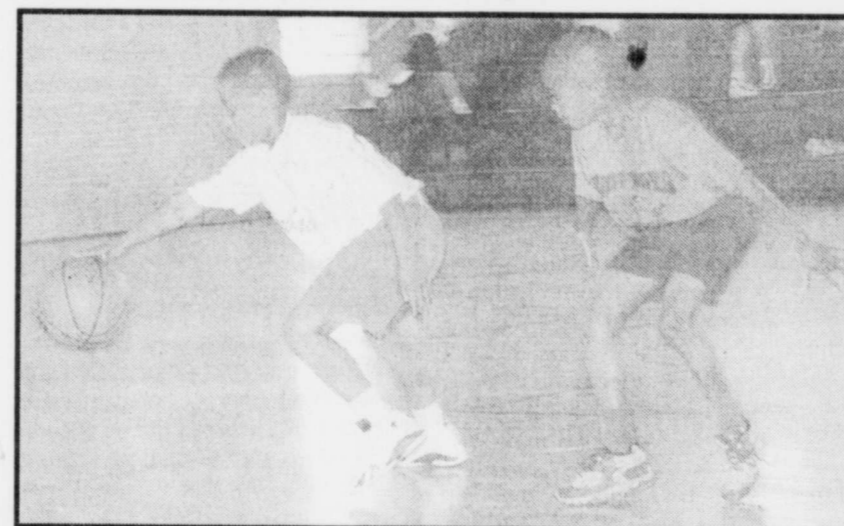
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ERIN STANSELL AND BUBBA ABERNATHY showed Hosea, a Limousin steer, at the Hallsville FFA Jackpot held in Longview Feb. 13, 1999. Hosea received Reserve Champion Prospect Steer which Erin received a special belt buckle for. Erin and Bubba are FFA students at Rivercrest High School.



ERIN STANSELL and Holly took the Grand Champion Limousin prize at the Hallsville FFA Jackpot held in Longview Feb. 13, 1999. Erin received a blue Ribbon and cash prize for the win.



THE ACTION BEGAN at Talco and Bogata gyms on Saturday, Jan. 30 for the Little Dribbler teams. Pictured one on one are Alex Savage of the Razorbacks and his guard, Derek Morris of the Bad Boys, both Talco teams. The Bad Boys won the contest after a very good game. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

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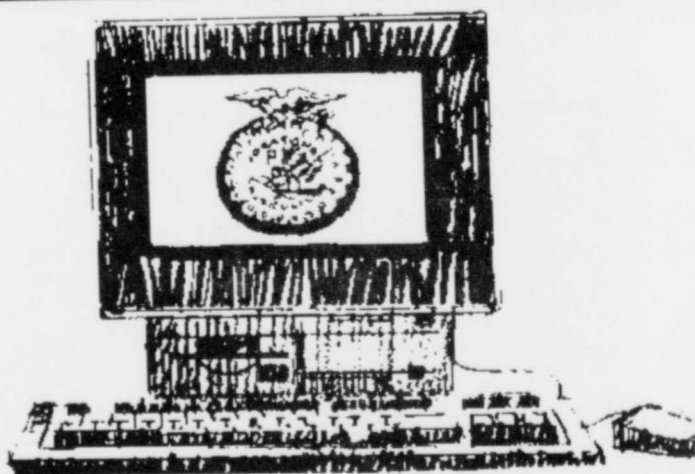
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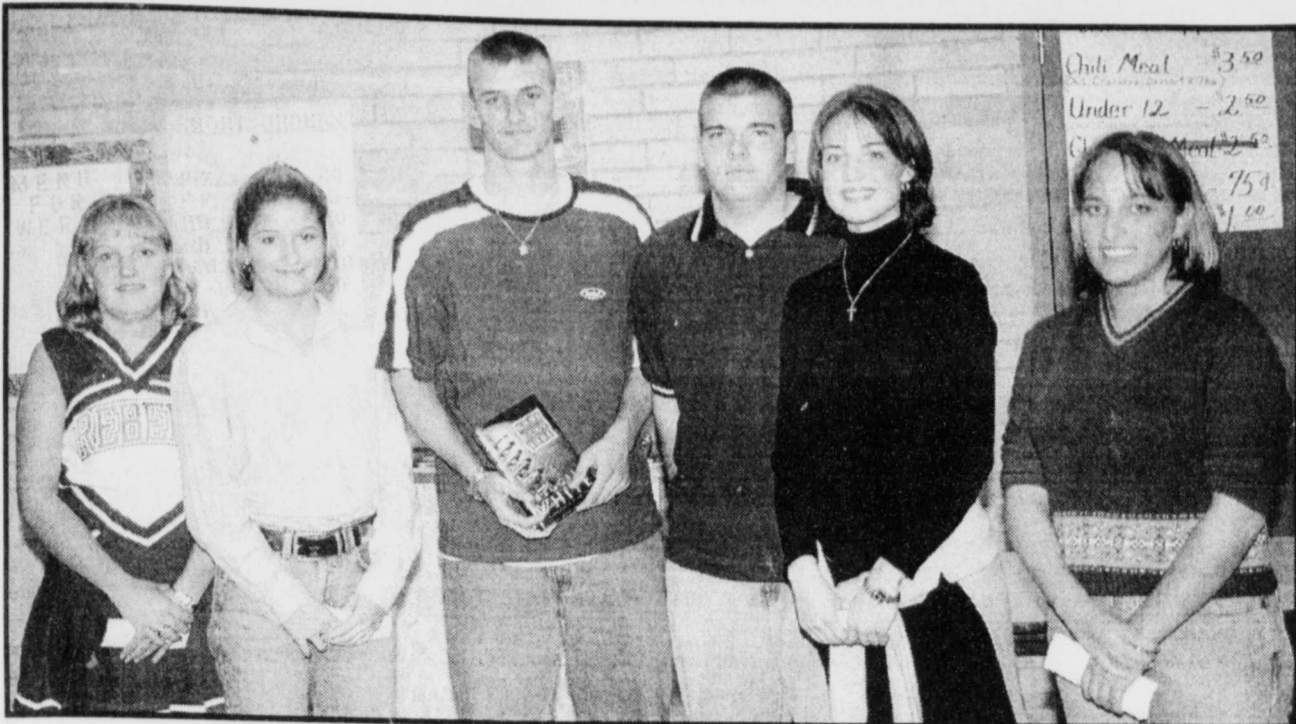
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SPECIAL GIFT-Rivercrest Student Council officers presented Cooper Student Council members with a book in memory of Adam Wheat, a Cooper student who was killed in a car accident recently. The presentation was made at the RHS-CHS basketball game on Tuesday night at Rivercrest. Pictured from the left are Lisa Shirley, Joanie Swarts, Brandon Shaw, Matt Morgan, Katie Hare and Andrea Palmer. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Bogata student on Dean's List at TJC

Tyler Junior College has recognized 808 students for academic achievement during the Fall 1998 semester. The President's List, composed of students who complete a minimum of 12 hours of college-level courses with a 4.0 grade-point average, includes 224 students. The Dean's List, composed of students who complete a minimum of 12 hours of college-level courses with a minimum 3.3 grade-point average, includes 584 students. Named to the Dean's List from this area is Lauren Marie Robertson of Bogata.

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Thursday, February 18
 Bogata Lions Club, which was scheduled for tonight is CANCELLED.

Friday, February 19
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Friday & Saturday, February 19&20
 The VFW Auxiliary will have a benefit yard sale until noon for the Holt Family. In anyone would like to donate to this worthy cause please bring items to Lily White's house next to the VFW. All money will be given to the Holt family to help care for their children who have spina bifida.

Wednesday, February 24
 The Bogata Baseball-Softball Association will have a meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the Concession stand at the ballfield. The purpose of this meeting is to elect officers and organize for the coming season. All interested are invited to attend. For more information call Mark Hare at 632-5150.

Sunday, February 28
 The T-Ball Association will hold registration from 2:00-3:00 p.m. at the Bogata Community Center for children 4-6 to sign up for the team. A birth certificate and \$25.00 are required at the time of sign up. For more information or to register in advance contact Bobby Thompson at 632-4591 or Stanley Jesse at 632-5946.

* The Bogata Baseball-Softball Association will hold registration from 2:00-4:00 p.m. at Bogata Community Center. For more information contact Mark Hare at 632-5150.

Saturday, April 10
 Bogata High School Homecoming. Lunch in the cafeteria 1:00-2:00 p.m. After lunch-program-business meeting and visiting in Bogata School gymnasium.

* Bogata High School Class of 1949 will hold its 50th year reunion. **Third Tuesday of each month** Bogata Lions Club sponsors Bingo at Red River Healthcare Center. Lions Club members should volunteer to help when they can.

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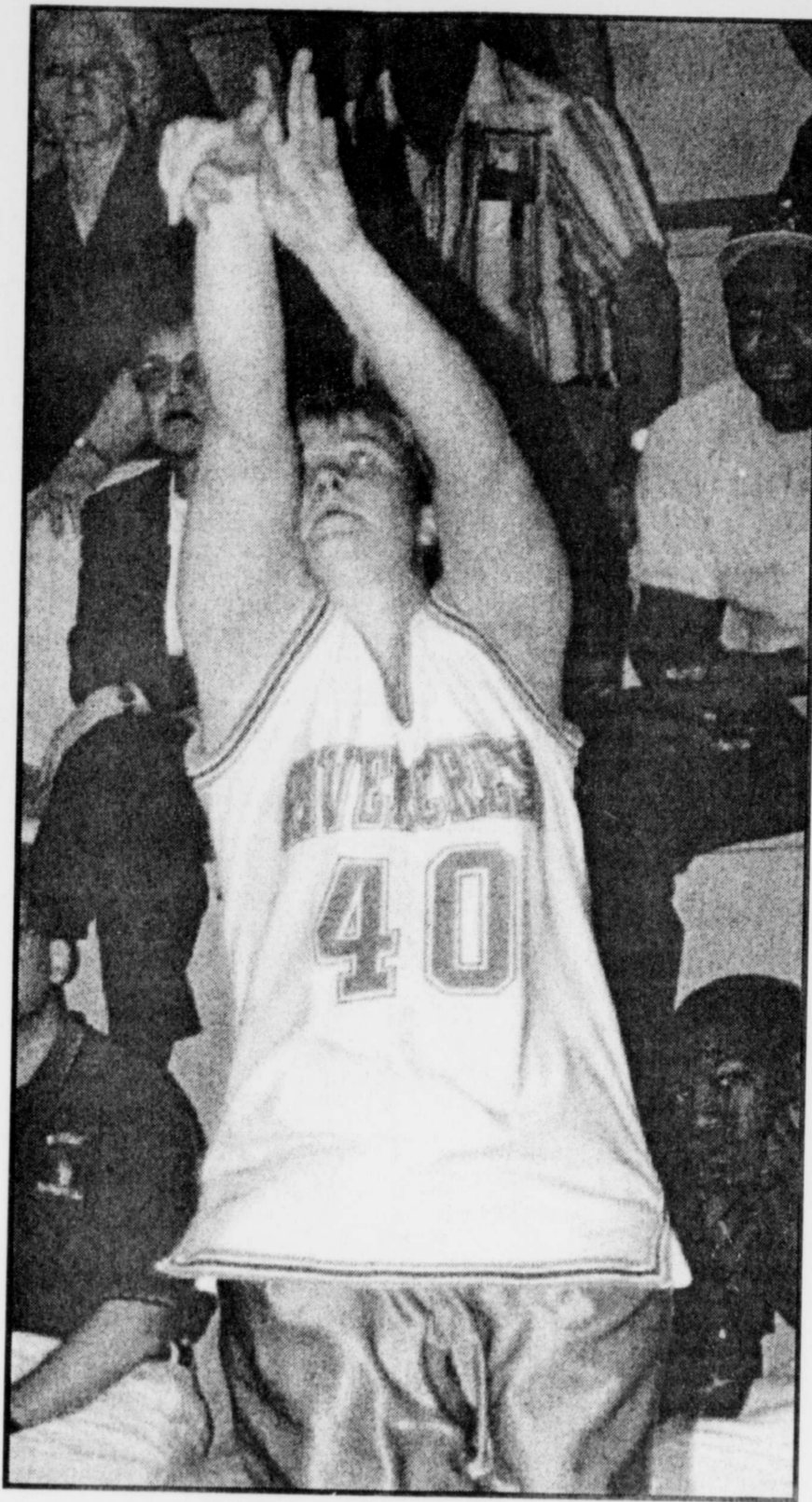
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COURTNEY JONES-puts up a shot as the Lady Rebels played their last game of the season Tuesday, Feb. 9 vs Chisum. The Lady Rebels took the win in overtime and Courtney ended her high school career on a good note. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Rebel Flag Corp attend Winterguard


The Rivercrest Rebel Flag Corp. went to the regional Winterguard Flag Team Competition on Saturday, Feb. 13 in Grapevine, Texas.

This year 4 events were entered and 4 excellent ratings were brought home. A team was made up of Rebel Corp. captain, Misti Tucker, Pearl Ponthieux and Cassie Perry. Other flag twirlers from RHS were Rebel

Corp captain, Melissa Waller, Krista Dill, Brittany Bull and Jonandrea Crane. Representing Talco/Bogata Junior High Band students were Kristy Riffle-captain, Stephanie Carpenter, Stephanie Carroll and Mindy Riffle.

Kristy Riffle and Pearl Ponthieux entered a Flag Ensemble (duet) earning Excellent and Best of Division Junior Flag Ensemble. They are planning to enter the national competition in San Antonio next month.

All of the students play instruments in the Rebel marching and concert band. Most of the flag team's practice is done after school. Band Director, Richard Davis said, "I am very proud of the results of these contest and the students who work so hard, on mostly their own time, to represent our school well".



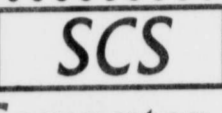
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Letters to the Editor

Letter to the Editor:

Today's children are tomorrow's future. Every civilization has realized that this is a true fact. Every child who grows into an adult should receive the love, knowledge and support of the generations that precede it on this earth.

This past week my daughter, Jamie, attempted to submit a letter to the editor of the Bogata News. Jamie is a senior at Rivercrest, 18 years old and a registered voter in the state of Texas. The letter that Jamie had written was her own opinion about the turmoil and conflicts that are going on in the city of Bogata. I think that we, as parents, grandparents and other concerned adults of the community, would be remiss if we did not listen to what is seen through a student's eyes. The Bogata News declined to publish this letter. My wife signed the letter, for liable reasons, I suppose, and the letter was still not published.


After spending 20 years defending the constitution of the United States, I have a difficult time understanding why a high school student cannot have a letter published in the local newspaper concerning issues that are discussed wherever citizens gather daily.

Thank you,
Joel Jeans

Publisher's Note:

The editor of the Bogata News did not make the decision to run the above mentioned letter, I did.

Every newspaper has the right to run or not run letters as they see fit. No newspaper has a policy to run letters that are libelous or slanderous, because no matter who signs the letter, the newspaper is also responsible for the content of its pages.
Nanalee Nichols, Publisher

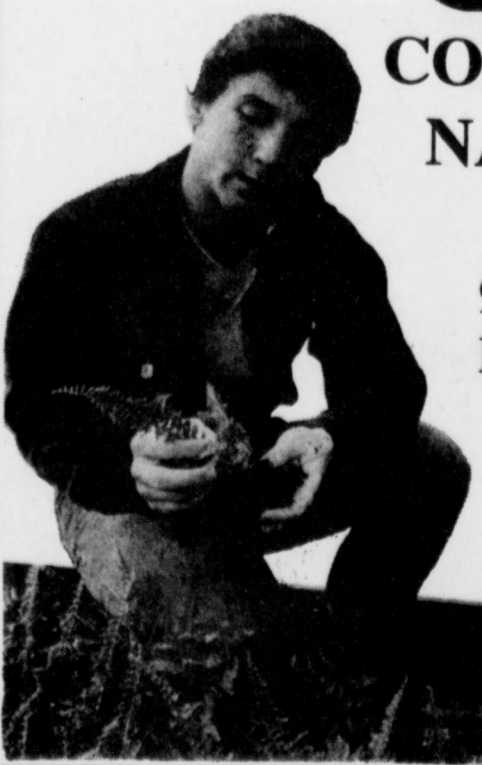


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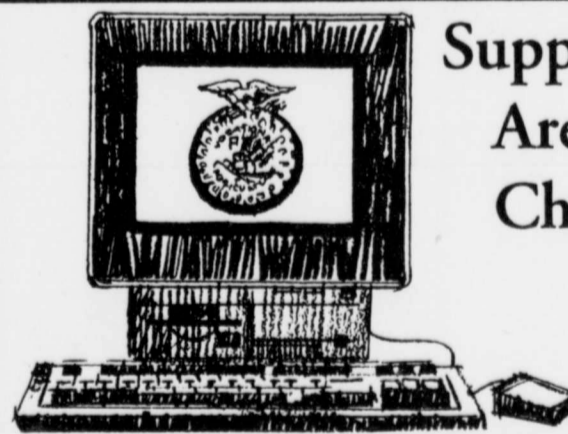
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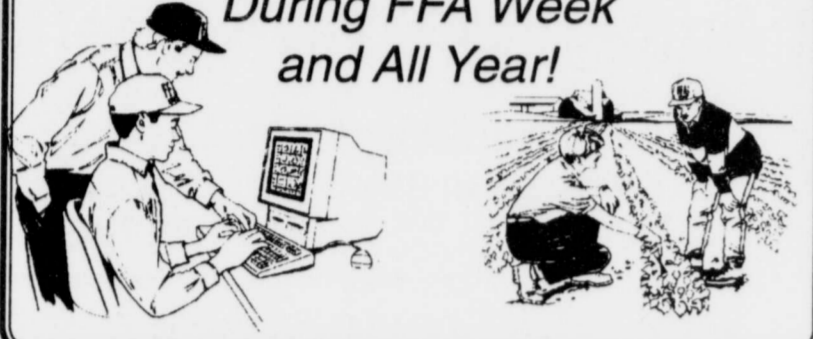
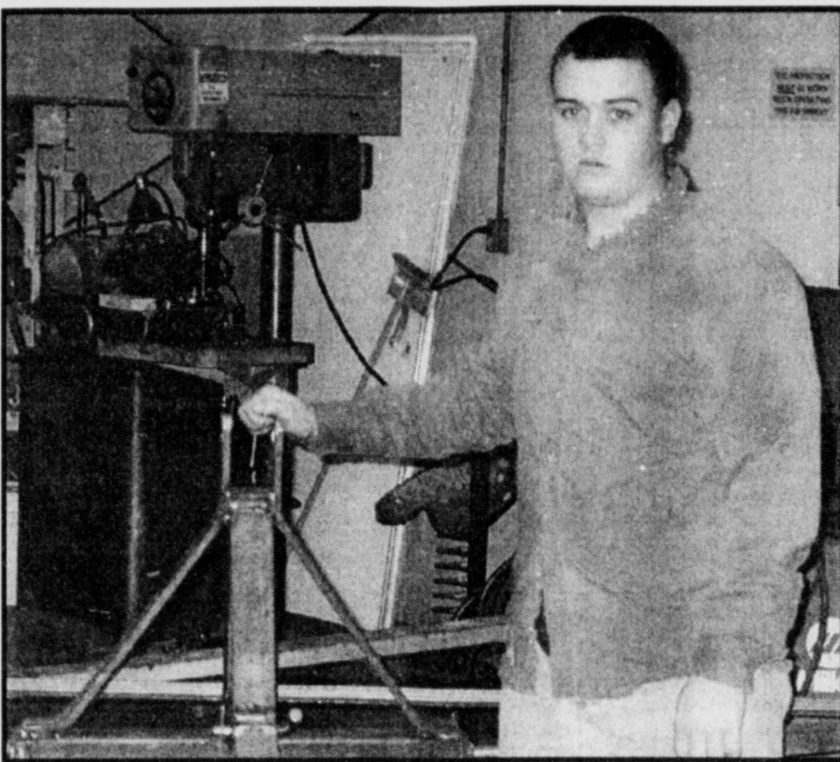
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Johntown News

By Jana Hawkins

Jana Haley, Heather and Hana Hawkins, Kacey Vandever and Lindsey Robertson traveled to Sulphur Springs Friday night to meet Mark Hawkins at Furr's Cafeteria to eat. After returning home Kacey spent the night with Heather and Haley.

Heather Hawkins attended the Junior high Dance at Rivercrest Saturday night along with her friends.

Jana, Haley, Hana and Robbie Hawkins attended Dee Tabb's wedding Saturday night.

Shane and Michelle Gibbs visited Mark and Jana Hawkins Saturday night.

Mark, Jana, Heather and Hana Hawkins attended Haley and Koren's Little Dribbler Basketball game on Saturday, along with many friends and relatives.

Heather Hawkins was an overnight guest of Jill Shirley on Saturday night.

Shannon Gibbs and Tracy Freeman visited and ate supper with Jana,

Heather, Haley and Hana Hawkins on Sunday night. Haley returned home with them to spend the night.

Haley Hawkins enjoyed spending the day in Paris on Monday with Felina and Jerica White, Audie, Shawna and Sidney Earley.

Ryan and Koren Hawkins, Haley and Heather Hawkins along with friends enjoyed playing basketball in the JMBC gym on Wednesday night.

Heather, Hana and Jana Hawkins and Holly Jean enjoyed eating at Pizza Hut on Monday.

Harold, Dana, Larry Wayne and Kayla Neeley and Myra Permenter visited Thursday through Sunday in Austin, touring and to visit Dale and Dawn Jean and their new twin babies.

Matt and Lana Buchheit spent the night with Drue and Billie Pirtle last Friday. Clay Pirtle and some of his friends are in New Orleans this week enjoying the Mardi Gras.

Tresa Couch attended a Valentine birthday party in her honor Saturday, February 13 at the home of her parents, Jackie and Anita Couch. Her grandmother, Ruth Couch, was also honored. Others present were Tommy, Vicki, Roxanne and Philip Couch of Waxahachie; Steven Armstrong of Duncanville; Trenton, Patti and Ladona Couch of Paris; and M.J. and Edna Earl Dodd and Jack Couch of Bogata. The group enjoyed sandwiches, chips, dips and red velvet cake. The honorees received many nice cards and gifts.

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Lady Rebels finish with wins, Rebels add wins

On Tuesday, Feb. 9, 1999 the RHS Junior Varsity and Varsity girls and Junior Varsity and Varsity boys played host to the Chisum Mustangs. It was the last game of the year for the Lady Rebel teams.

In their final game the JV ladies, who began the evenings play, took a 9-4 first quarter lead and never looked back. By the half time buzzer the Lady Rebels were ahead 23-6.

In the third quarter the Lady Mustangs made a strong move to get back into the game. Lady Rebel Cassee Wilcox was lost to foul trouble but the team rallied to make up for the lost post player. Score 32-17 Lady Rebels. The final quarter saw the Lady Rebels add 11 more points while holding the Lady Mustangs to only 6 points. Final 43-23 Lady Rebels. High scoring was shared by Misti Tucker and Jennifer Hays with 9 points each. Also scoring were Cassee Wilcox-3, Kendall Stansell-2, Charla Hines-8, Brittany Bull-7 and Molly Moles-5. Good Season Lady Rebels!!!!

The JV Rebels also took an early lead ending their first quarter up 16-8. Scores had come from Kerry Posey, Clinton Cheatwood and Brandon Bell who hit the trey and 2 field goals to lead the quarters scoring. In the second the Rebs added 15 points but the Mustangs also added 11 points to bring the half time score to 31-19 Rebels.

In the third and fourth quarters the Rebels continued to lead. Kerry Posey shot 99% from the free shot line hitting 7 of 8 and Myron Ellis, Nathan Carroll and Jeremy Grissom joined the early scorers to add points. The game ended with a 55-41 Rebel win. Posting high score was Kerry Posey with 17 points. Also scoring were Brandon Bell-14, Clinton Cheatwood-14, Nathan Carroll-4, Myron Ellis-4 and Jeremy Grissom-2.

The Varsity Lady Rebels took the floor for their final game of the year following the introduction of the players and their parents. Seniors Katie Hare, Courtney Jones, Candias Nickerson and Kembre Baker will be missed next year. The Lady Mustangs had defeated the Lady Rebels earlier in the season helping to put them out of play off contention. The Lady Rebels were out for revenge and a final game win. Although the Lady Rebels took the first tip, the Lady Mustangs were the first to score. Kim Ross netted the first Lady Rebel points and Tiffany Prentice and Katie Hare started off hard. Tiffany had possibly her best game of the year and Katie went out in a flame of glory in her last high school game. After one quarter the two teams were at a 16-16 tie. Lady Rebels shots had refused to go in, rolling gently out or spinning wildly out. The Lady Rebels had went to Hare for scores and she came through with 2 treys and a field goal. Kim Shirley added 2 field goals and Kim Ross and Tiffany Prentice also scored. In the second the Lady Mustangs out scored the Lady Rebels 24 points to 17 points and took a 40-33 half time lead. Senior Kembre Baker also ended her high school career well hitting a trey and field goal in the quarter. Prentice hit a trey, field goal and free shot, Shirley added a trey, Hare a field goal and Missy Carroll a free shot.

In the third the Lady Rebels pleased their coaches, teammates and especially the crowd. Courtney Jones also ended her high school career on a good note on the Lady Rebel defense. Her strength under the goal upset the Lady Mustang post players and helped turn the tide. Prentice added a trey, 2 field goals and a free shot and Hare, Shirley and Carroll scored to get within one point of the Lady Mustangs at the quarter's end. 47-46 Chisum. The final quarter saw the Lady Rebels use good team work. With :13 seconds left the score was tied up. The Lady Mustangs scored one point off a Lady Rebel foul with :6 seconds left and fans sighed heavily expecting a one point loss. It was not over yet and at the buzzer Tiffany Prentice was fouled while trying to shoot the trey. The pressure was on and Prentice felt it. She missed the first free shot, she made the second to throw the game into a tie at 64-64. The last shot could have won the game but the ball bounced out. OVERTIME!

The Lady Mustangs were first to score in the OT and the Lady Rebels fouled giving them a free shot. Score 67-64 Chisum. The game proceeded and the Lady Rebels missed and fouled again. The Lady Mustangs hit one of two free shots to send the score to 68-64 Chisum. Kim Ross was lost to foul trouble and with 2:04 left in the OT Kim Shirley hit a big Lady Rebel trey. Score 68-67 Chisum. Courtney Jones grabbed the rebound off the next Lady Mustang shot and Shirley put it through the hoop. Score 69-68 RHS. Prentice pulled down the next Lady Rebel rebound off a missed Lady Mustang shot and began the Lady Rebel stall. The Lady Mustangs, confused on the stall left Prentice open and she went in for the lay-up to score untouched. 71-68 Lady Rebels. Again the Lady Rebels came up with the rebound and Katie Hare was fouled with :11 seconds left. Hare made the last shots of the last 98/99 game, of her last high school game. Both were good! Score 73-68 Lady Rebels. Courtney Jones pulled down the last rebound from a missed Lady Mustang shot in the last game of her high school career and held it till the final second ticked off. Great game Lady Rebels!!!!

The Rebels, who held an 8-2 district record, took the court to keep the excitement going. They took the first tip of the ball but there were only 4:00 minutes left in the first quarter before senior, Jason Freelen scored. After Freelen started them off the Rebs scored 11 unanswered points. Chase Collins got a clean block and Michael Galloway began possibly his best game of the year, hitting 2 treys in the first quarter. Score 19-9 Rebels. Scores had also come from Josh Posey, Keith Hines and Collins. In the second the Mustangs pushed hard and at the half time buzzer were within one point of the Rebs. Score 30-31 RHS.

In the third Galloway went to work on the offense hitting 4 field goals. Freelen hit a trey and field goal and scores came from Hines and Kyle Stansell. The Rebs added 19 total points but the Mustangs also added 16 points. Score 49-47 RHS. In the final quarter Collins was lost to fouls and Kyle Stansell and Chad Holland took up the slack. Both boys played good Rebel defense. Post Josh Griffin, who would normally help out at the post position, was out of the game due to illness. The score changed hands and with :11 seconds left the Rebels trailed. Michael Galloway put up the trey that won the game. Kyle Stansell was fouled and went to the line with :8 seconds left. Stansell's shot was off but a Rebel rebound ended the Mustangs drive to win. Final 64-63 Rebels. Posting high score was Michael Galloway with 24 points. Also scoring were Hines-16, Posey-7, Freelen-7, Collins-6 and Stansell-4. Great game Rebels!!!!



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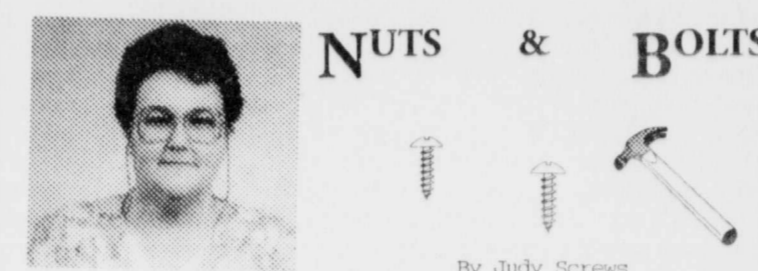
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By Judy Screws

Monday morning as I entered the Post Office, a lady asked me if I knew what was wrong at the flower shop. I said that I didn't and asked her why she thought something was wrong. She said that there were people lined up, waiting to go in. I promised her I would try to find out what was going on. As I drove to the office, I looked toward the flower shop and sure enough, there were people lined up outside the door. They looked as though they were waiting to go in. While the flower shop probably has a good business, there is never a line of people waiting to go in. Another odd thing was the number of cars parked around town. This was Monday morning in Bogata. We don't have that many cars parked in town on Election Day. Two things came to mind that might draw a crowd. First was the worst, I wondered if something had happened to Mary Ann and possibly the citizens were waiting to see if she would be all right. The second thing I thought of was that there was a funeral of a young man scheduled for that morning and possibly people had waited to order flowers for the funeral. Of course most people do their flower business by phone, so that probably wasn't a very good guess. When I got in the office I decided that I must know if something monumental was happening that I needed to put something in the paper about. I called the flower shop, and when Betty Sue answered I asked what was wrong over there. She said, "Nothing." Then I asked why all the people were outside the shop. She said, "Beanie Babies." Then I knew. The phenomenon that is sweeping the nation has hit Bogata. I have read about the Beanie Baby riots which have occurred in big cities, but I


never thought I would see people lined up outside the flower shop waiting for a new shipment of Beanie Babies.

I have a Beanie Baby. My youngest grandson gave it to me. I think he got it out of a Happy Meal at McDonald's long ago. It's a little white seal or sea lion. It just lies there. What is the attraction? It's cute, but it just lies there. My Furby talks, giggles and sneezes, my Dancing Baby dances, my Taco Bell dogs speak with a Spanish accent. The Beanie Baby just lies there. Since it is white, I have considered putting it in a baggy so it will not gather dust, but so far I haven't done anything with it but just watch it lie on the shelf.

I knew from the Santa letters I typed at Christmas Time, how popular the beanie babies were with the little girls. One little girl asked Santa to bring her one more so she would have 60. I don't know how many different styles have been made, but 60 seems like quite a few to me.

We don't have much excitement in Bogata, so if Beanie Babies will get folks excited enough to line up and wait for the flower shop to open, that's okay with me. I remember waiting in line once for a ticket to get in at an Elvis movie. No, I am not comparing Beanie Babies to Elvis, but I can't remember very many things which have ever been important enough to me to make me want to wait in line.

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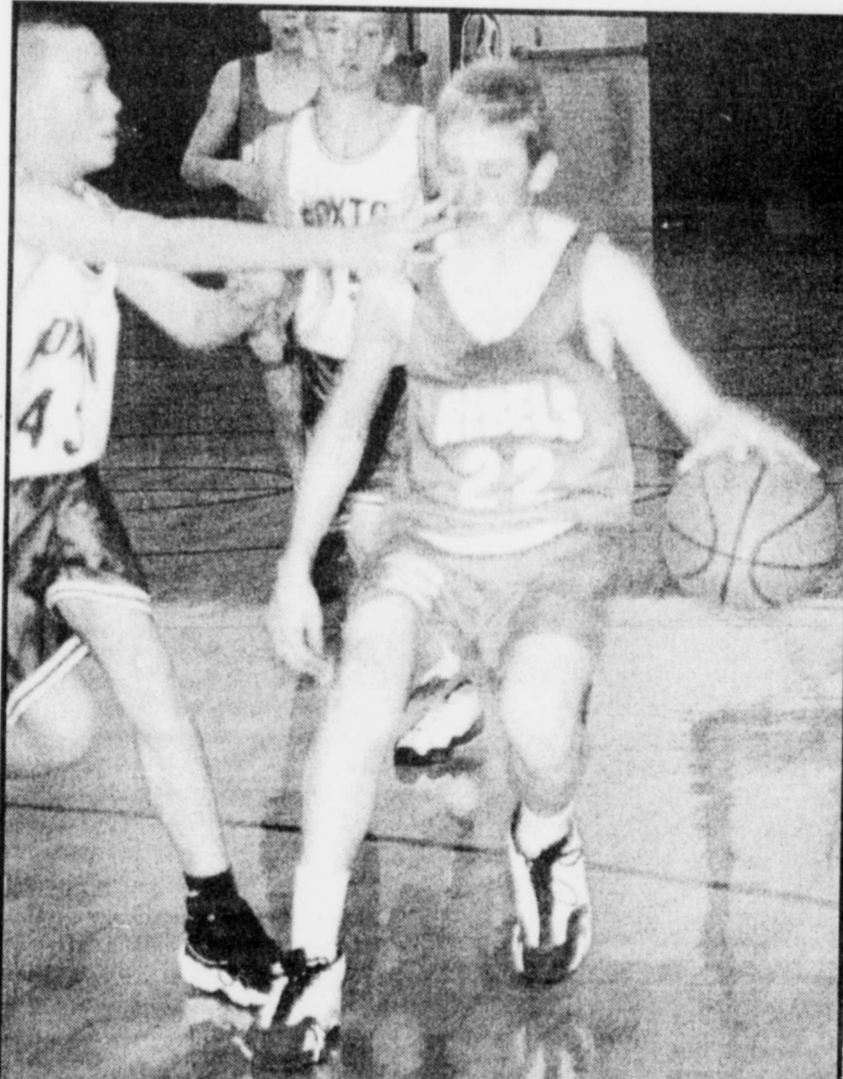
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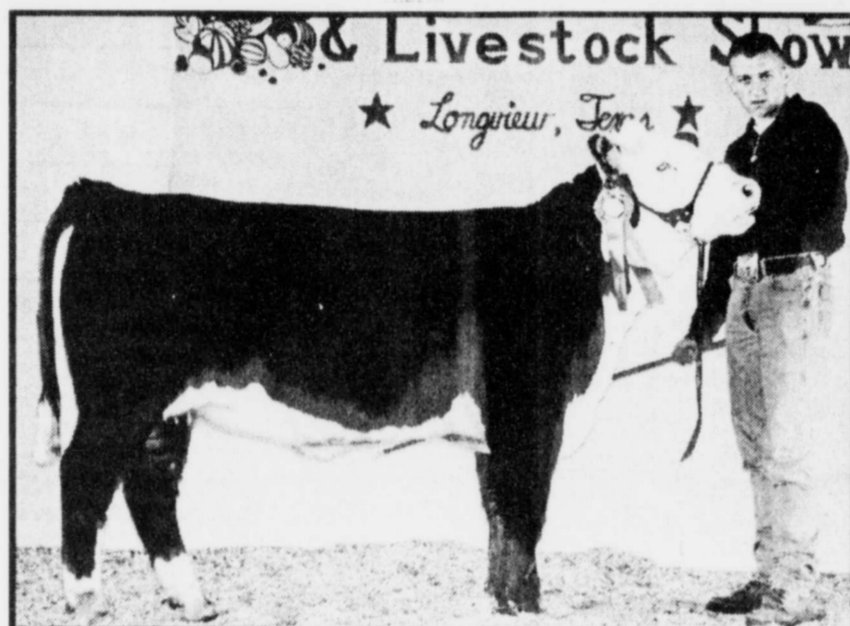
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Rebel Band fund raiser successful

The Rivercrest Band/Choir students report a gross of \$1000 on their Valentine balloon sales. "The orders were overwhelming" said Richard Davis, Band Director. The students and Mr. Davis want to thank everyone who ordered.

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By Judy Screws
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Mr. and Mrs. Donald Screws were in Paris Sunday to visit Chris Anna, Jerry, Christopher and Jerred Guerra.

Sunday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Donald Screws visited with Mike, Lila, Bren, Kara and Hali Screws in Deport.

Christopher and Jerred Guerra spent the night Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Donald Screws and Tana.

Judy and Tana Screws were in Sulphur Springs Saturday afternoon shopping.

Jennifer and Riley Reeder spent several days last week with her parents, Jerry and Gerlyn Gray, due to the death of her grandmother, Clara Lowe.

Judy Holt was able to return to Bogata Thursday afternoon to attend the funeral of her grandmother, Clara Lowe. One of Hayden's nurses went to Children's Hospital in Dallas and stayed with him so Judy could come home for a few hours.

Jessica and Danny Hines visited several times last week with her parents, Jerry and Gerlyn Gray.

Jerry and Gerlyn Gray visited with Shirley Smith, Dorie Roach, Sandra and Duane Benson when they went to Clarksville ETMC to check on Raymon Mauldin Friday evening.

Heather and Heath Holt spent the week end with grandparents, Jerry and Gerlyn Gray. Jerry took them back to Nina and Robert Holt's Monday where they are staying while Judy is in Dallas with Hayden.

Hayden Holt was to have surgery Wednesday at Children's Hospital in Dallas. The surgery was to relieve pressure on his spinal cord where the original Spina Bifada Surgery was performed in '97. Gerlyn Gray was in Dallas with Judy and Hayden Wednesday.

Mike and Tina Huddleston of Lewisville came Friday night and spent the week-end with his grandparents, Loyce and Ed Huddleston. They also visited his grandfather, Carl Henry Burns, who was in Titus County Hospital at Mount Pleasant. The family reports that Carl Henry's condition is much improved.

TALCO LOCALS

Vivian Fail was hospitalized at Titus County Regional this past week. She is reported doing better.

Charles Graf was hospitalized at Titus County Regional Wednesday and Thursday of this past week. He is reported home and awaiting a surgery date.

Jennifer Almon of Blossom attended church services at the Maple Springs Church on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Brown and Jack. Following services she, Jack, Carl Antone and Sarah Lawrence traveled to Tyler where they enjoyed lunch at Pancho's and visiting the Caldwell Zoo.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Smith and Melanie, Russell Smith and Vickie Craig enjoyed supper at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bradley Smith, Chad, Josh and Zack in Elysian Fields Saturday. They all went on to Shreveport to attend the 10th Annual "Krewe of Gemini" Mardi Gras Parade.

Carol Laing and Jeremy Abshier enjoyed lunch at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Franks and Amanda Sunday. In the afternoon Carol visited Tracy and Presley Wright in Mt. Pleasant and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hale and children in Talco.

Lunch guests at the home Sherwin, Helen and Keith Darnell on Sunday, Feb. 14 were Buddy and Charlene Hearron of Flint, James, Grace and Steven Hearron of Talco, Ray and Nellie Hearron of Mt. Pleasant, Wanda, Loren and Cody Stephens of Paris, Paula Bass, Amanda and Krissa Woods of Mt. Pleasant.

The Talco Little Dribbler teams, WWF, Rebelettes and Nitro Girls all traveled to Winfield on Thursday evening for scrimmage games. The WWF, 5th and 6th grade boys were defeated, the Rebelettes, 3rd and 4th grade girls, lost by 3 with a score of 14-11 and the Nitro Girls, 5th and 6th grade girls, won with a score of 36-16. Following the Nitro Girls game their coaches, Nancy Brown and Carol Laing took them to Burger King in Mt. Pleasant for supper. Attending were; Jesi Navi, Whitney Savage, Monica and Monique Savage, Tracy Galloway, Rachel Smith and Susan Smith.

Happy February birthday Lucille Whitney, Jeremy Moore and Opal Fagg.

Buddy and Charlene Hearron of Flint visited at the Talco Assembly of Church for morning and evening



Andrea Palmer, Courtney Jordan, Kim Brown, Brandi Randle and Jill Foster

Rivercrest students enter Red River County Soil and Water Conservation contest

On Tuesday, Feb. 9, 1999 several of Mrs. Barbara Russell's Advanced Placement English students attend the Red River County Soil and Water Conservation District's board meeting at the City Hall in Clarksville at which time winners in the Soil and Water Conservation essay Contest were announced.

All Red River County high school students were invited to participate

by writing an essay up to 300 words in length on the subject "Soil and Water Conservation". Rivercrest students were very successful.

First place certificate of merit and a \$25 check were presented to Brandi Randle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Randle of Sugar Hill. Andrea Palmer of Bogata, daughter of Karla Smith and Kenneth Palmer won the second place certificate of merit and a

\$15 check. Third place certificate and \$10 check went to Jill Foster, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Foster of Bogata.

Honorable mention certificates were presented to Kim Brown, daughter of Darlene Brown of Deport and also to Courtney D. Jordan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Terry Jordan of Deport.

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services on Feb. 14, 1999.

The Calvary Baptist Church G.A.'s attended Winter Retreat at the Lake View Baptist Encampment overnight Friday and returned Saturday evening. 13 girls and sponsors Lois Waldrum and Bobbie Connell report a wonderful time.

Josh Cabell and parents Leah and Martin Cabell hosted and over night stay Sunday and all day visit Monday at their home in Talco. Attending and enjoying the "NWO Valentine Massacre" on TV Sunday night and fishing and mudding on Monday were Marcus Deming, Zach Perry, Justin Exum, Chase Sloan, James Baird, Adam Davis and Ryan Newton.



February 7: Theft in Bogata; noise disturbance in Annona; suspicious circumstances on Hwy. 82 west; noise disturbance in Avery; suspicious circumstances in Annona.

February 8: Cattle complaint on Hwy. 271 south of Deport; burglary of a building in Bogata; terroristic threat in Detroit; male arrested on warrants for violation of probation, no liability insurance and failure to yield right of way; male arrested on Lamar County warrant for motion to revoke probation and Dallas County warrant for DWI; report of driving with excessive speed; livestock complaint; vehicle fire on FM2118; assault in Detroit.

February 9: Male arrested on warrant for capias pro fine no liability insurance; report of juvenile disturbance in Detroit; noise disturbance; male arrested on warrant for no drivers license.

February 10: Inmate transported to SAFF; theft in Avery; burglary in Dimple; criminal mischief in Bogata; cattle complaint on Hwy. 37 south; cattle complaint on FM911 south of Avery.

February 11: Female arrested on 90 day commitment; report of burglary in Dimple; cruelty to animals in Avery; welfare concern on County Rd. 2228; male transported to county on charge of possession of controlled substance and INS detainee.

February 12: Inmate released to INS for transport; minor accident in Detroit; male arrested on weekend court commitment; report of burglary on FM 1599.

February 13: Assault in Bogata; possible DWI on FM114; possible intoxicated person on Hwy. 82 west. Red River County Jail currently holds 83 inmates.

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11:30	2	Redwater vs Rivercrest
1:00	3	New Boston vs Winner 1
2:30	4	Loser 1 vs Loser 2
4:00	5	Loser 3 vs Winner 4
5:30	6	Winner 2 vs Winner 3

RULES

- There is a 1 1/2 hour time limit for the first 5 games. No time limit for Game 6.
- No infield practice if behind schedule.
- Run rules are in effect.
- Coin flip will determine the Home team
- First team listed will occupy 3rd base dugout De Kalb will always occupy 3rd base dugout.

Junior High Rebels finish season

The Junior High Rebels ended their basketball season on Monday night at RHS. The 7th grade led off the evenings games and trailed the Mustangs 9-6 after one quarter. Chance Belcher, Calan Wilcox and Shon Gage were the scorers in the quarter. The Rebels shots missed their mark in the second and they went into the half time break down 20-14. Micah Chaloner and Chance Belcher had a good defensive half for the team and second quarter scores had come from Wilcox and Jeremy Ward.

In the 3rd the Rebs made only 3 of 9 free shots and just could not get their offensive drive to work. Justin Tucker had a good defensive quarter, making steals that led to shots that would not go in the basket. Score 31-23 Mustangs. The Rebels wanted the win and worked hard in the fourth but they fell short by 8 points. Final 40-32. High Scorer for the game was Jeremy Ward with 9 points. Also scoring were Calan Wilcox-8, Chance Belcher-6, Jeffery Abernathy-5, Shon Gage-2 and Micah Chaloner and Justin Tucker with 1 point each.

The 8th grade took the court plus extra players for the first time this season and after one quarter were ahead by one. Score 9-8. Dustin Jones netted the first Rebel score and scores had come from Ryan Newton, Justin Exum and Josh Cabell, who also blocked a Mustang shot. In the second quarter the Rebels, unused to game play with the other players, pulled together. Clay Craig began

possibly his best defensive game of the year and scores came from Cabell, Newton, Jones and Exum. The Mustangs, who had defeated the Rebs soundly earlier, realized the Rebs were after a win. The Mustang offense was stepped up and they went into the half up by two over the Rebels. Score 24-22.

Josh Cabell led the Rebel scoring in the third. Justin Exum also had a good offensive quarter and Ryan Newton and Clay Craig played good defense to go ahead of the Mustangs 33-30. The final quarter was exciting with the lead changing hands on nearly every possession. Dustin Jones came through on the Rebel defense pulling down rebounds and with 2:29 left the teams were tied at 38-38 after a 3 pointer from Josh Cabell. Scoring continued and with :16 seconds left the Rebels trailed 43-45 after a Mustang free shot. On the inbound play the Rebs lost the ball and then committed the foul. Both Mustang shots missed their mark but again the Rebels had the ball stolen by the Mustangs and fouled the Mustangs in an attempt to get it back. One of two Mustang free shot was made and time ran out on the Rebels. Final 46-43.

Posting high score for the Rebels was Josh Cabell with 24 points. Also scoring was Ryan Newton-4, Dustin Jones-5 and Justin Exum-10. The Rebels will move on to the track next week to begin practice for track and field events.

News from Bogata United Methodist

By Pastor Kenny Dickson

Valentine Week-end was an important week-end for First United Methodist of Bogata. On Saturday, four couples participated in our first marriage enrichment workshop. Throughout the day we learned ways to nurture and build our marriages after the Cupid days. We studied and discussed the importance of communication within marriage. While communication seems to be as natural as breathing, we discovered that what we want to say, may not be what we communicate. Effective communication is something we must intentionally practice.

We also learned that nurturing marriage requires nurturing ourselves spiritually. As we grow spiritually, we are better able to grow in our love for each other and for God.

The final element in nurturing marriage was understanding the importance of family, and committing to value family. We were asked to list what we valued in our lives and in our relationships. After determining what we valued in our family, we were asked to think about how we can achieve goals that reflect and lead to what we value. We discovered that given today's fast pace, we often lose sight of what we truly value, and we should regularly take stock to be sure that what we strive for is what we value.

This was an enjoyable day and for all who attended, and we hope to have another workshop later in the spring for couples who were unable to attend this week-end.

Sunday was also special for the Church, Michael Noble, a resident of Talco, recent graduate of Rivercrest, and member of the church, delivered the sermon during the worship service. Michael used a passage from Deuteronomy which called for God's people to make a choice. Choose life in God, or death apart from god. We appreciate Michael's words and his example.

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Bogata Methodist Women meet

The Bogata Methodist Women met Wednesday, February 10, in the Fellowship Hall. Betty Puckett gave the opening prayer and presided at the business session.

The first part of the video, "The Man from Aldersgate" was shown. Roger Nelson portrays John Wesley's life in monologue. The setting is in England, as he tells of remembrances of his early life.

The following members were present: Roberta Anderson, Mary Kathryn Cotten, Michelle Dickson, Dorothy Gill, Eleanor McCluer, Margie Myers, Anna Bell Patton, Jimmie Lou Pope, Betty Puckett, Frances Rozell, Anita Stubblefield, Edith Ruth Swaim, and Glenda Corbell.

The meeting closed with the dismissal prayer. The next meeting will be in March and the final part of the video will be shown.

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Christus St. Joseph's Foundation gala set for April 17

The annual Christus St. Joseph's Foundation gala has been set for Saturday, April 17, at Love Civic Center. Proceeds from this year's events are designated for the Hotel Gibraltar Project, which will include renovation of the historic hotel.

Dick Severson and Jim Bell are heading the gala's 1999 sponsorship committee and Bonnie Troutt is again serving as chair of the popular silent auction.

The hit band, "Cavalcade of Stars", is making a return appearance for the gala, which this year will have the theme "Gardens of Yesteryear", the seven piece band performed for the gala three years ago and was asked to return due to its popularity.

Four levels of sponsorships are available, Severson said, for \$250, \$500 and \$1,000 and \$2,000. Those donating \$250 also receive two gala tickets; a \$500 sponsorship brings with it four tickets; six tickets come with a \$1,000 donation and eight tickets, a complete table, with a \$2,000 donation or more. Those wishing to become a sponsor may contact Bell, Severson or Terry Davis, Christus St. Joseph's director of community outreach. Mrs. Davis can be reached at 737-3695. Individual tickets, which are \$75, go on sale in early March.

The list of items for the silent auction continues to grow, Mrs. Troutt said, with one of the more unique being a live, on-the-hoof Texas longhorn, provided by David Glass Investments. Among other items on the auction block will be golf for four at Stonebridge Country Club near McKinney, a gun donated by Gene Stallings, a Tallie Moore Lipscomb painting, a watercolor of the Hotel Gibraltar done by Albert Nichol, early-day framed picture postcards of the Gibraltar, a Brighton bag and flowers of the month.

Class of '49 locating graduates

The 1949 class reunion committee of Bogata High School has been very successful in locating former class members. Some people attended school with the class but moved to other towns before graduation. The following people are the ones addresses are needed for: Anita Dozier, Glen Bell, Bobby Parker, Travis White, Bill Dyer, Roy Taylor, Dalton McCrury and Imogene Hanson. Every effort is being made to locate these and all persons who attended school with the class as well as all graduates.

Warm-up game set

The Rivercrest Rebel boys basketball team will play a warm-up game with Clarksville on Friday, Feb. 19. The game will be played in the Clarksville High School gym and will begin at 7:00 p.m. There will be a limit of 900 tickets available for the game. Each school will have 300 tickets available for pre-sale and 300 tickets will be sold at the door. Admission will be \$3.00. Advance tickets may be purchased at the Rivercrest High School office on Friday, Feb. 19 between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Everyone is encouraged to come out and support the district champion Rebels as they begin post season play.

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BOUNTY PAPER TOWELS Lrg. Roll 6 Pk. \$7 ⁶⁹	CHEETOS Reg. \$2 ¹⁹ \$1 ⁸⁹	MILK Gal. Jug 2% & HOMO Golden Royal MILK \$2 ⁷⁹	BLUE BONNET MARGARINE 4 Stick 2/89
OAK FARMS ICE CREAM 1/2 Gal. All Flavors \$2 ⁹⁹	TOSTITOS Restaurant Style DIPS 15.5 Oz. \$2 ¹⁹	LAY'S POTATO CHIPS Reg. \$1 ⁴⁹ All Kinds 99¢	PARADE APPLE SAUCE 50 Oz. \$1 ²⁹
MIRACLE WHIP Salad Dressing 32 Oz. \$2 ⁴⁹	PARADE ORANGE JUICE 12 Oz. Frozen 89¢	KRAFT BAR B Q SAUCE All Kinds 28 Oz. \$1 ⁴⁹	NABISCO CHIPS AHOY All Kinds 14-18 Oz. \$2 ⁴⁹
PRODUCE	WISK LAUNDRY DETERGENT 42 LOAD \$3 ⁹⁹	DEL MONTE CORN Cream & Whole 15 Oz. \$1 ⁹⁹	WHEATIES CEREAL 12 Oz. Pre Priced \$2 ⁴⁹ \$1 ⁸⁹
PEANUTS 39¢ Lb. 89¢ Lb. GREEN ONIONS 3/\$1	POTATOES 10 Lb. Bag \$1 ⁴⁹ YELLOW ONIONS 29¢ Lb.	CUT GREEN BEANS 14.5 Oz. \$1 ⁹⁹	LAWRY'S SEASON SALT 8 Oz. 89¢
BANANAS 39¢ Lb. TOMATOES 79¢ Lb. COLORADA PINTO BEANS 49¢ Lb.	SWEET PEAS 15 Oz. \$1 ⁹⁹	MIXED VEGETABLES 14.5 Oz. 2/89¢	LUCKY LEAF APPLE JUICE 1/2 Gal. 99¢
			KRAFT WHIPPED TOPPING 8 Oz. 89¢
			BLUE BELL ICE CREAM 1/2 Gal. All Flavors \$3 ⁴⁹
			BUTTER FINGER & BABY RUTH CANDY BARS 3/\$1 Reg. Size
			FAMILY STYLE HAMBURGER & HOT DOG BUNS 79¢ 8 Pk.
			COKE DIET COKE & SPRITE 2 Liter 99¢ 12 Pk. \$2 ⁹⁹