

Nichols Worth



A Breath of Spring...and Friendship

I have said for years, I'm not a winter person. I need sunshine and green grass and some yard work to keep me sane...or as sane as I ever am. Many folks debate whether sanity is a word applicable to me at the best of times.

But, this past month or so has not been the best of times for my mental state.

Thomas is understandably down and out about his back surgery, which allows him to walk or lie down...but not to sit for more than 15 minutes.

I've been down because he is, and because it's been gray and gloomy, and because I love trees with all my heart and everywhere I look there are devastated, trees.

Now when I get down it's waaaaayyyy down there. It doesn't happen too often. I'm much more guilty of letting my temper flare up in blazing anger than I am to get depressed.

But, I've been in one of my "nobody likes me, everybody hates me, the world has treated me sooo bad" moods.

Monday morning I got up, dragged around, gripped at the dogs and cats because they were demanding their food too stridently.

Then I reluctantly went to work, absorbed in my own "what a nasty day" attitude.

As I pulled up out front of the office, though, I was greeted with the most amazing sight!

Both our windows were decorated in gardens of bright spring silk flowers. In one, tiny tots (in the form of dolls) rode their tricycles on a "path" in a green field or picknick. Under our ficus tree. In the other window bunny rabbits dressed in pink and blue stood amidst the silk blooms in little wooden planters.

To finish off the decor a tiny fountain surrounded by greenery had its own tiny golden fish...a real one.

It was absolutely impossible not to smile.

Still grinning I came on in the office to take a closer look. Little birds perch in the Norfolk Pine. An own and several other birds grace the ficus tree.

Ducks and geese (not real, fortunately) sit alongside a few stuffed bunny toys.

In open mouthed astonishment I learned that Sunny Whitney (who lives up to her name) and her sister Pat had borrowed the office key and come down Sunday afternoon to transform the windows into spring scenes for one reason...to cheer me up!

Well, the windows cheer me, but not nearly as much as the friendship that prompted such an action.

Aren't our friends priceless?



Tax Office to be closed Feb.26-March 2

The Rivercrest Tax Office will be closed for winter break February 26 through March 2, 2001. The office will return to regular hours March 5, 2001.

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Talco Baseball/Softball Inc. to meet February 18, 2001

The Talco Baseball/Softball Inc. will hold a meeting on Sunday, February 18, 2001 beginning at 2:00 p.m. in the Talco Park. Should it be raining or very cold the meeting will be moved to the Talco School cafeteria. Four officers will be elected and coaches for the upcoming year will

be discussed. Anyone interested in coaching or being an officer should be present. Registration for the 2001 season will be set and other league business will be discussed. Please attend and be a part of providing Talco's children summer fun.

Sandlin requests 120-day extension for debris cleanup

Congressman Max Sandlin asked President George W. Bush for a 120-day extension for debris cleanup in Northeast Texas. In a letter to the president, Sandlin requested that the federal government continue to pay 90% of the costs associated with public debris cleanup beyond the March 9, 2001 deadline.

"There is still an enormous amount of cleanup that needs to take place throughout Northeast Texas. Meeting the march 9th deadline is unrealistic at this point", said Sandlin. "Everyone is working his hardest on the ground level, but the cleanup efforts are a work-in-progress. An extension of 120 days would help considerably to lighten the financial burden for the local governments."

Currently, Red River, Lamar, Titus, Cass, Bowie, Delta, Franklin,

Gregg, Harrison, Hopkins, Hunt, Marion, Morris, Nacogdoches, Panola, Rusk, Smith, Upshur and Wood counties have all qualified for the 90-10 percent cost share distribution for debris cleanup and would stand to benefit from the deadline extension.

"In addition to the enormity of the debris, recent weather conditions have further complicated recovery efforts. High winds causing sporadic power outages throughout the region have not made the cleanup process any easier," said Sandlin. He continued "A 120-day extension will allow Northeast Texas to recoup at a more comfortable pace. I sincerely hope President Bush recognizes the dire situation facing the citizens of Northeast Texas the need for this extension".

Drug lab busted near Johntown

On February 2, 2001 at approximately 8:00 a.m. investigator Danny Powell of the Regional Controlled Substance Apprehension Program (DTF) was notified that Sheriff Bob Storey had received information of a suspicious bag located in the woods near Johntown.

Investigator Powell and Chief Deputy Larry Taylor went to the area and located a duffel bag containing items used in the manufacture of methamphetamine. Also in the bag was an active methamphetamine cook in progress.

Investigator Powell stated, "Mobile methamphetamine labs are on the rise and anyone finding something looking suspicious should contact either the Sheriff's Department, Drug Task Force or Local Police Departments. The items should not be handled due to the toxic hazards associated with methamphetamine labs". Commander Almond stated, "This is another fine example of the Sheriff's Department and Drug Task Force working together to eradicate drugs in our area".

Order of election for board of trustees

An election has been ordered to be held on May 5, 2001 for the purpose of electing the following Rivercrest Independent School District Trustees:

Position # 2 Talco; 3 year term
Position # 5 Bogata; 3 year term.

Position # 2 is held by Jimmy Via.
Position # 5 is held by Charles Hines. Interested candidates must file for candidacy at the Rivercrest ISD Business Office at Rivercrest High School between the dates of February 19, 2001 and March 21, 2001.

Journalism scholarships available

To further the cause of community journalism, the North and East Texas Press Association will award two \$1000 journalism scholarships this spring, according to Nancy Brown of the Talco Times and Bogata News.

The NETPA scholarship program was begun in 1999. The 2000 winners were Lana Cain of Tyler and Miranda Finley of Linden.

The Talco Times and Bogata News are members of the NETPA.

Scholarships will be given to college-bound graduating high school seniors and actively enrolled college students from the NETPA region pursuing an education in print jour-

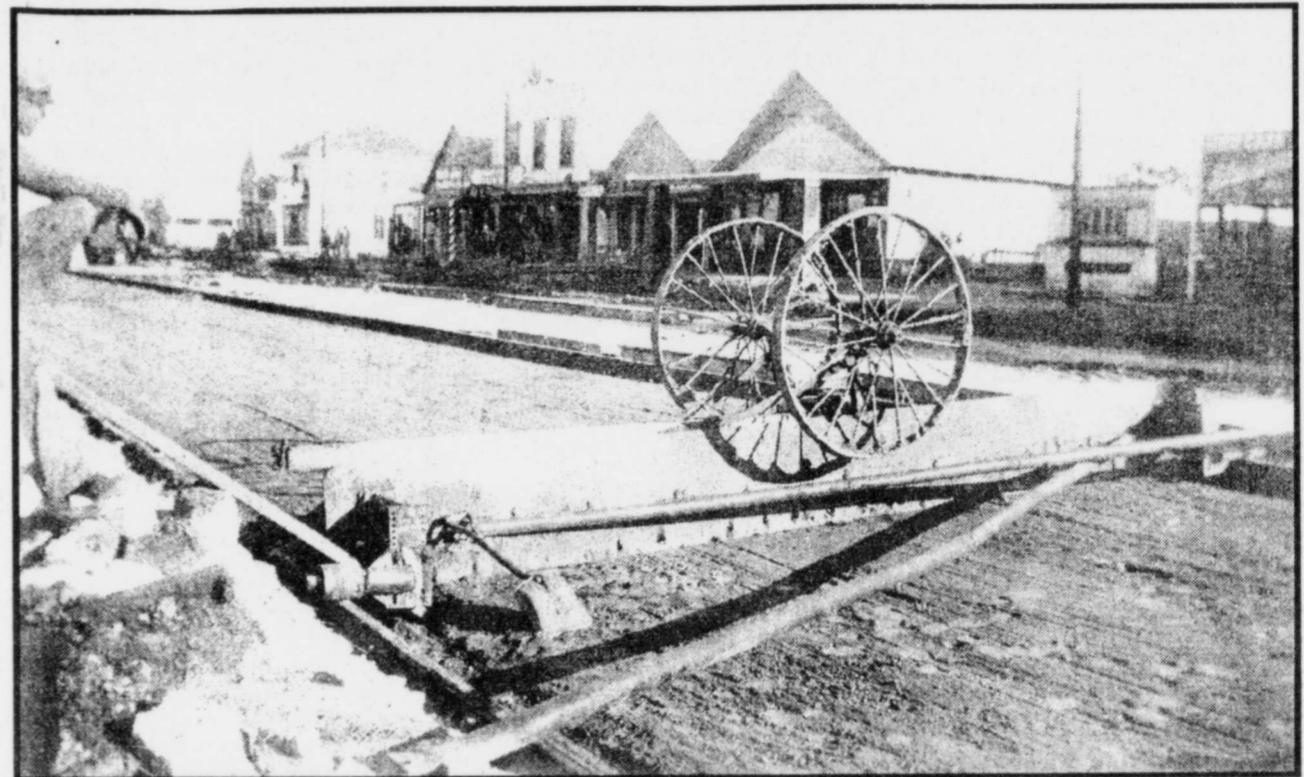
nalism. Scholarship applicants should submit a completed application, a 500 word essay and two letters of recommendation, including one from a newspaper professional.

Deadline is March 31, 2001. Applications are available at Rivercrest High School or the Bogata News Office and completed applications should be mailed to Phil Major, Clay County Leader, Box 10, Henrietta, Texas 76365.

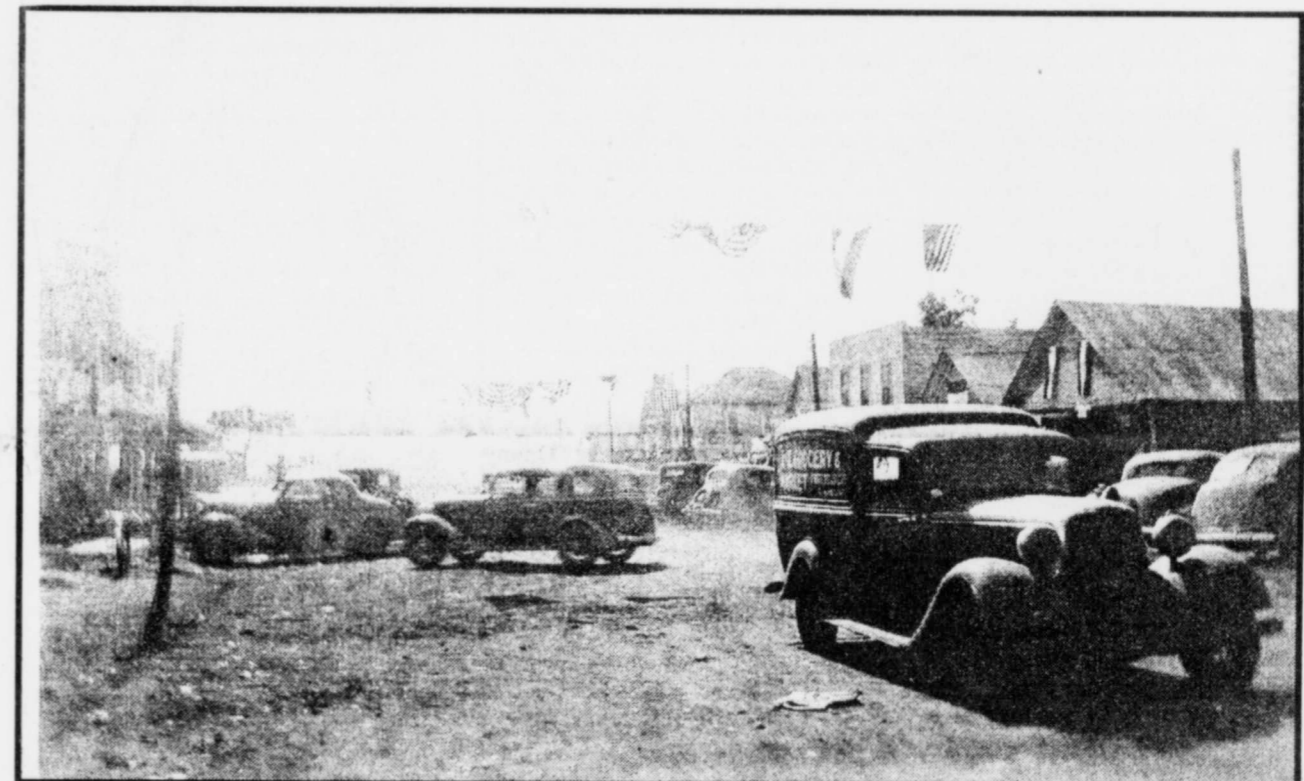
The winners will be recognized at the annual NETPA convention, to be held in Bursleson April 26-28.

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IF YOU HAVE A FEATURE IDEA, A STORY IDEA, COOK OF THE WEEK, PHOTOS OR NEWS, PLEASE CALL NANCY BROWN AT 632-5322 OR 379-4445 OR NANALEE NICHOLS AT 652-4205.



PAVING THE STREETS-This photo which was sent to the Talco Historical Society shows the streets of Talco during the process of being paved back in the late 1930's. The Historical Society has made great headway on a museum which will hold pictures and memorabilia of Talco.



BANNERS FLEW-over downtown Talco when the first discovery oil well was hit. The photo is only one of many received by the newly formed Talco Historical Society who are working hard on a museum which will be located in the Talco City Hall building.

Free tax preparation is close by

Free tax form preparation is as close as a community center, local library or senior citizens center for thousands of Texans this year. There are 561 locations across the state where low and middle-income taxpayers can get tax help.

The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) and Tax Counseling for the Elderly (TCE) programs provide free tax help every year to people who cannot afford a paid tax preparer. Both programs give free tax help to disadvantaged people and many locations offer help for people who do not understand the English language.

Anyone who wants help from VITA/TCE volunteers are asked to bring all income information, includ-

ing forms W-2 and 1099; social security cards or Individual Taxpayer Identification Numbers for themselves and all dependents; and any other useful documents and forms. Those items could include: lists, receipts, bills or statements of medical, taxes, home mortgage interest, contributions and miscellaneous expenses and a copy of last year's tax return. To find the nearest location for free tax help site and hours of operation, call the VITA program at 214-767-1428 or TCE toll-free at 1-888-227-7669. Information is also available on the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) internet homepage at www.aarp.org/taxaide/.

SBA disaster loans available

Homeowners, renters and businesses in some Northeast Texas counties affected by the severe winter ice storms that occurred December 12 through January 15 are eligible to apply for low-interest disaster loans from the U.S. Small Business Administration. The loans are available to individuals and businesses in Bowie, Cass, Lamar and Red River counties to cover ice storm damages to homes, personal property and business property.

Small businesses in these counties and adjacent counties and parishes in Texas, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Louisiana are also eligible to apply for SBA Economic Injury Disaster Loans to cover financial losses caused by the ice storm. The economic injury is designed to help small businesses meet normal operating expenses that cannot be met as a result of the disaster. The loan can

help a small business stay current on accounts payable, notes payable and meet ongoing expenses until the business overcomes the financial effects of the disaster.

To apply for an SBA disaster loan victims must first register with FEMA by calling 1-800-462-9029 or 1-800-462-7585 (TTY). Those victims that are referred to SBA will be mailed a disaster loan application.

SBA can loan up to \$200,000 to cover uninsured physical damages to homes and up to \$40,000 for uninsured losses to personal property such as household contents and automobiles. Businesses can borrow up to \$1,500,000 to cover uninsured losses to business property and unmet financial needs caused by the disaster. The loans are direct loans from SBA and are offered at rates as low as 3.5% at terms up to thirty years.

People 'n Things

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.

Third Tuesday of each month
Free commodities are distributed on the 3rd Tuesday of each month from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at the First Baptist Church in Bogata.

Tuesdays
BAM! (Bogata Area Moms) play group for stay-at-home moms and children will be meeting weekly from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. All interested should call Kelly at 632-4493 or e-mail her at BogataAreaMoms@aol.com for more information.

Bogata Public Library/Museum
The Bogata Public Library/Museum is open each Friday from 10 am to 4 pm and each Saturday from 10 am to 2 pm. A library card is available to all citizens of Bogata and the surrounding area. Come by and enjoy the

Museum and check out a good book for your reading pleasure.

February 16
February 16 will mark the end of the 4th Six Weeks for Rivercrest schools.

February 26-March 2
Rivercrest students will enjoy winter break Feb. 26 through March 2. Make plans for a wonderful week.

Editor's Quotes

As a cure for worrying work is better than whiskey
Thomas A. Edison

Country Cooking

By Liz Irwin

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Happy Valentine's Day. . . although I am one day late there are still parties and gatherings going on this weekend, so I have dug up some cookies recipes that will be great for any Valentine sweetie. . . but not before I let you in on some Valentine history!

Did you know how Valentine's got started? Well, there are varying opinions. Some experts say that it originated from St. Valentine, a Roman who was martyred for refusing to give up Christianity. He died on February 14, 269 AD, the same day that had been devoted to love lotteries. Legend also says that St. Valentine left a farewell note for the jailer's daughter, who had become his friend and signed it "From Your Valentine!"

Other aspects of the story say that St. Valentine served as a priest at the temple during the reign of Emperor Claudius. Claudius then had Valentine jailed for defying him. In 496 AD, Pope Gelasius set aside February 14 to honor St. Valentine.

Gradually, February 14 became the date for exchanging love messages and St. Valentine's became the patron saint of lovers. The date was marked by sending poems and simple gifts such as flowers and candy. There was often a social gathering or ball.

In the United States, Miss Esther Howland is given credit for sending the first valentines. Commercial valentines were introduced in the 1800's and now the date is very commercialized.

So there you are! Enjoy the recipes and we will see you in the kitchen!
Valentine Sugar Cookies-the old stand by sugar cookie. . . cut out your favorite shape and enjoy!

Strawberry Almond Hearts-add some almonds and strawberry jam and wow, what a cookie!

In Love With Chocolate-a triple whammy of chocolate delight!

Sweet Potato Butterscotch Chip Cookies-mix a little sweet potato in with some butterscotch chips and you have a great cookie!

Thursday, February 15, 2001

Valentine's Sugar Cookies

- 1-1/4 cups granulated sugar
- 1 cup Crisco shortening
- 2 eggs
- 1/4 cup corn syrup
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 3 cups flour
- 3/4 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/2 teaspoon salt

Combine sugar and shortening in bowl. Beat at medium speed until well blended. Add eggs, syrup and vanilla. Beat until blended and fluffy. Combine 3 cup flour, baking powder, baking soda and salt. Add gradually to creamed mixture at low speed; mix until blended. Divide dough into quarters. Wrap and refrigerate for at least one hour. Preheat oven to 375 degrees and cut in various heart shapes. Ice with frosting.

Strawberry Almond Hearts

- 1-1/4 cups granulated sugar
- 1 cup Crisco
- 2 eggs
- 1/4 cup corn syrup
- 1 tablespoon vanilla
- 3 cups flour
- 3/4 teaspoon baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup finely-chopped blanched almonds
- 1/3 cup strawberry jam

Combine sugar and shortening in bowl and beat at medium speed until well blended. Add eggs, syrup and vanilla; beat until fluffy. Combine 3 cups flour, baking powder, baking soda and salt. Add gradually to creamed mixture at low speed. Mix until well blended. Stir in almonds. Divide into quarters and refrigerate for one hour. Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Cut cookies with heart-shaped cutter and place on ungreased cookie sheet to bake for 6-8 minutes. Remove cookies to cool and spread jam over hearts. Top cookie with smaller shaped baked heart cookie. Sprinkle with confectioner sugar.

In Love With Chocolate Cookies

- 1-1/2 cups firmly-packed brown sugar
- 2/3 cup Crisco
- 1 tablespoon water
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 2 eggs
- 1-1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1/3 cup cocoa
- 1/4 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 2 cups miniature semi-sweet chips
- 6 ounces white chocolate
- 12 candied pineapple hearts

Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Combine sugar, shortening, water and vanilla in large bowl. Beat at medium until well blended. Beat eggs into creamed mixture. Combine flour, cocoa, baking soda and salt. Mix into creamed mixture at low speed until blended. Stir in chips. Divide dough into half and spread dough into 2 ungreased round cake pans. Bake one pan at a time for 10-12 minutes. Do not overbake. Cool 5 minutes in pan. Cut with 2-inch heart shaped cookie cutter with points toward center to make six cookies. Remove to cool. Chop white chocolate into 1/2-inch pieces. Place pieces in microwave on HI for 30 seconds. Stir. Repeat until melted. Spread top of cookies with melted mixture. Top each cookie with candied pineapple heart.

Sweet Potato Butterscotch Chip Cookie

- 3/4 cup mashed sweet potato
- 1-1/4 cups firmly packed brown sugar
- 1/2 cup Crisco
- 1 tablespoon vanilla
- 1 egg
- 1-3/4 cups all-purpose flour
- 3/4 teaspoon salt
- 3/4 teaspoon baking soda
- 2 cups butterscotch chips

Preheat oven to 375 degrees and combine sweet potato, brown sugar, shortening and vanilla in large bowl. Beat at medium until well blended. Add egg and beat until blended. Combine flour, salt and baking soda. Add to creamed mixture at low speed. Stir in chips. Drop by rounded spoonful onto ungreased baking sheet. Bake for 7-8 minutes and cool.



*Meeting time is 2nd and 4th Monday night at 7:00 p.m.

*Post is open Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 3:00p.m. until 12:00 midnight and Saturday from 12:00 noon until 1:00 a.m.

*Thursday at 7:00 p.m. is 42 playing time and Pool and shuffleboard are open all the time.

*Crossfire Band will provide the music for a dance March 3, 2001. All March birthdays will be celebrated. Everyone is invited to come out and help celebrate.

*Happy Birthday to Marie Carr, Ross Griffin and Carolyn Coggins.

*Happy Anniversary to Rich and June Killen.

*Get Well Wishes are sent to Zelma Mauldin who is home and recovering from back surgery.

Red River County Roots

This week's query is from Mrs. James Fryar, 357 William Drive, Pearsall, TX 78061-3403, who is researching the family of Lillie Cumy Sport, who married J.W. Frayer in Red River County in 1899. Lillie's parents were William Edward Sport (1857-1913) and Addie Lee Collins (1863-1946), who married in Red River County in 1882. She would like to learn the identity of Addie Lee Collins' parents, who were born in NC. Addie's mother was the former Lucinda Massey, but Mr. Collins' first name is unknown. If you would like to write to Mrs. Frayer, please write to her at the above address. If you have a query you would like to have placed in this column, please send it to the Red River County Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 516, Clarksville, Texas 75426

Financial Aid Workshop set for Prairiland

A financial aid workshop for graduating seniors and their parents will be held at the Prairiland high School Library on Monday, February 19 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Parents can get help on completing the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) form. Parents will need to bring calculated tax return worksheets in order to complete the forms. Senior students filled out the first part of the forms in their English classes. If students are planning on going to college in the fall and are in need of financial help, this is the form they must complete. For more information call Fran Patterson, counselor at the high school at 652-5681 or 982-6233.

Setting an example is not the main means of influencing another, it is the only means. —Albert Einstein

Obituaries

Kenneth R. Smith dies February 7

Kenneth R. Smith, age 59 of Detroit, died Wednesday, February 7 in the Christus St. Joseph Hospital in Paris.

Services were held Saturday, February 10 at 2:00 p.m. in Wood Funeral Home Chapel with burial in Spring Hill Cemetery.

Mr. Smith was born August 1, 1941 in the Pinhook Community of Red River County, the son of William Fred and Elva Lee Barnett Smith. He was preceded in death by an infant brother, Jackie Smith in 1956, a brother, Cecil Smith on February 1, 1975, his father, William Fred Smith in August, 1974 and his mother, Elva Smith on December 16, 1997.

He is survived by brothers, Dennis Smith and wife Florence of Paris, Leon Smith and wife Mary of Detroit, Larry Smith of Detroit, Odell Smith and wife Jean of Savoy, L.C. Smith of Detroit, and Ronnie Smith of Deport; sisters, Virginia Farris and husband Robert of Deport, Eva Lois Nowlin and husband Max of Waco, Joyce Harp of Bagwell and Karen Sotelo of Paris; numerous nieces and nephews.

Velma Fay Caldwell dies February 11

Velma Fay Caldwell, age 73 of Clarksville died Sunday, February 11 at her residence.

Services were held Tuesday, February 13 at 2:00 p.m. in Lindeman Chapel of Clarksville Funeral Home with Rev. A.B. Kellam officiating. Burial followed in Caldwell family cemetery under the direction of Clarksville Funeral Home.

Velma Caldwell was born October 11, 1927 in Ft. Towson, OK, a daughter of Dennis and May Woods Collins. She was retired from Hollywood Vassarette in Paris and a member of Friendship Baptist Church. She was preceded in death by her husband, Cecil Caldwell in 1993 and a sister, Mable Meyers.

Surviving are sons, Jim and wife Carla Caldwell of Clarksville and Dennis and wife Laurie Caldwell of Blossom; a daughter, Linda and husband Jerry Rhodes of Clarksville; a brother, Elmer Ray Collins of Clarksville; four grandchildren; three step-grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; and one step-grandchild.

Bearers were George Preston, Rocky Tolison, Harold Ray Tolison, David Barnett, Tony Potts, Howard Roberts.

Chauncey M. Allums dies February 8

Chauncey M. "Chaun" Allums, age 32 of Lake in the Hills, formerly of Dallas, died Thursday, February 8 at his home.

He was born June 18, 1968 in Dallas, the son of Jerry and Beverly Blankenship Allums. He was an honors graduate of Texas & M University-Commerce. He married Heidi "Christen" Schatz on May 12, 1991 in Big Sandy and they resided in Dallas before moving to Lake in the Hills, IL in October of 2000. He was employed as a computer analyst for Northrop-Grumman of Rolling Meadows.

Surviving are his his wife, Christen; a son, David at home; his father, Jerry Allums of Bogata; a sister, Ronda (Mike) Ireland of Rockford, Michigan and nephew and niece, Donny and Danielle Ireland.

He was preceded in death by his mother. Services were held Monday February 12 at James A. O'Connor Funeral Home in Hntley, Illinois with the Rev. Randy Gregory officiating. Burial was in Rockford, Michigan.

It never yet did hurt to lay down likelihoods and forms of hope. —William Shakespeare, Henry IV, Part 2

Seth E. Glass dies February 9

Seth E. Glass, age 67 of Bagwell, died February 9 in Christus St. Joseph's Hospital in Paris.

Services were held Thursday, February 15 at 10:00 a.m. in Lindeman Chapel of Clarksville Funeral Home with Rev. A.B. Kellam officiating. Burial followed in Albion Cemetery under the direction of Clarksville Funeral Home.

Mr. Glass was born September 15, 1933 in Bagwell, a son of John Everett Pennington and Mary Etta Harrison Glass. He was a retired oil field worker and a Baptist. He was preceded in death by a daughter, Tina Rose.

Surviving are his wife, Margaret J. Smith Glass, whom he married December 15, 1956 in Bagwell; sons, Joseph and wife Stephanie Glass of Lewisville, AR, John L. Glass of Bagwell, Doy Ray and wife Angela of Conroe, William and wife Amy Glass of Bagwell and Wayne Guass of Bagwell; daughters, Susan and husband Greg Swann of Shandon, CA, Alice and husband Jim Mathis of Bagwell; numerous nieces and nephews and 16 grandchildren.

Georgia Lee Black dies February 11

Georgia Lee Black, age 76, died Sunday, February 11 at ETMC in Clarksville.

Services were held Wednesday, February 14 at 2:00 p.m. at Cuthand Methodist Church with Rev. Billy Daniels officiating. Burial was in Cuthand Cemetery.

Mrs. Black was born in Cuthand on March 8, 1924, the daughter of George and Oma Lee Matthews Tucker. Her first husband, Pete Eudy, died in 1964. She married Joe Black on February 6, 1965.

She is survived by her husband; one daughter, Linda Wilson of Quinlan; two stepdaughters, Rosie Pearl Rhodes of Bogata and Gladys Tucker of Johtown; one brother, Clifford Tucker of Johtown; one sister, Sybil Robinson of Grand Prairie; 18 grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by a son, Donald Eudy in 1978 and a stepdaughter, Mary Jo Davis in 1992.

Card of Thanks

I would like to say a sincere "Thank You" to everyone for their kindnesses, thoughts and prayers while I was in the hospital and since I have been recuperating at home.

Gilbert & Melissa Arriaga

Chamber banquet is February 16

The Red River County Chamber of Commerce banquet is February 16 at 6 p.m. in the Clarksville High School Cafetorium. Tickets are on sale at the chamber office for \$10.00 each or they will be sold at the door on the evening of the banquet.

Speaker for the banquet will be

Dennis Engelke. He is director of member services for the Texas Electric Cooperative and serves as chair of the Texas Rural Development Council.

Entertainment will be the Jazz Band and the Rotary Singers.

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SRBC asks community to give

Stewart Reginal Blood Center is asking all individuals to "Give from the Heart" and save a life this Valentine's Day. Everyone who donates blood the week of Valentines will receive a Valentine's T-shirt.

None of the blood inventories are even near Stewart's mandatory minimum levels, which is a red flag that more donors are needed. To give an indication on the scarceness of blood, Stewart normally keeps a minimum of 328 units of type A positive blood

on its shelves, the center has only eight units at this time.

A number of mobile drives will be held around the area. If you are at least 17 years old, weigh at least 110 pounds and are in general good health, please donate. Any individual group, church or organization interested in becoming a blood donor or hosting a blood drive should call the Stewart Blood Center in your coverage area for information.

The following financial institutions will be closed Monday Feb. 19th for Presidents' Day



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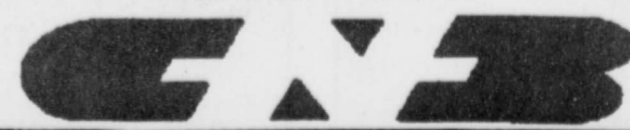
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Resource Team to assist community with economic development

Jerry Sparks with Ark-Tex Council of Governments met with the Clarksville City Manager Kenneth Martin, Mayor Ann Rushing, the EDC and concerned citizens within the community recently concerning the possibility of a Resource Team visiting Red River County to assist the community with economic development if approved.

Mr. Sparks informed the group that Clarksville and Red River County had been approved and a certain amount of organizing and planning had to be done in advance to the group coming.

The Resource Team can assist the community with economic development through developing an objective community assessment based on community input; holding listening sessions for the community at large; facilitating a resource team town meeting; delivering a resource team

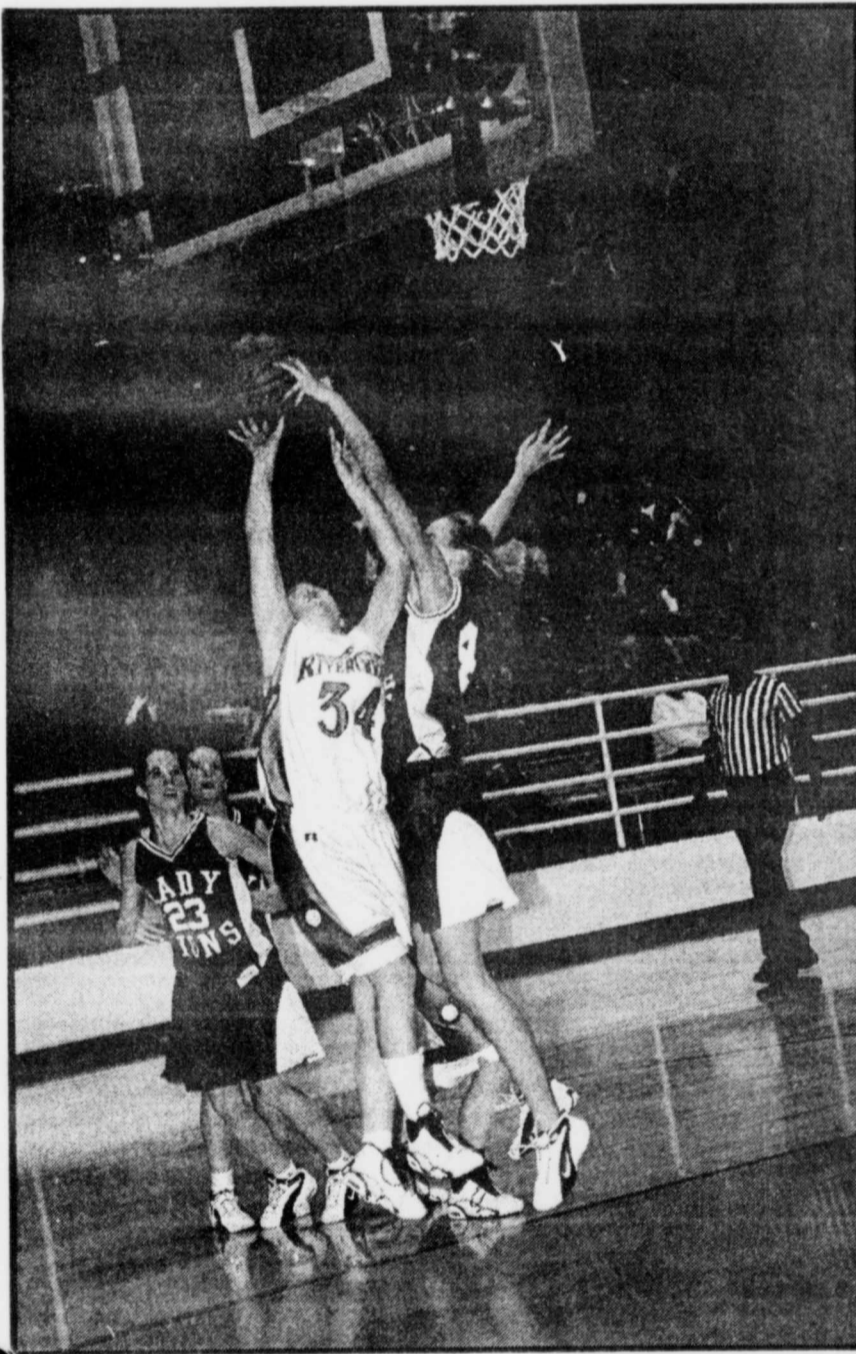
report to the community, complete with Resource Team member's personal recommendations and providing post resource team support and follow up.

All interested citizens in Red River County who have an interest in the community and want to work as a group to organize and start planning the projects you would like to see accomplished in your community in coming years are urged to volunteer your time and expertise and attend a kick off meeting Thursday, February 22 at 7 p.m. at the Clarksville High School Cafeteria. This includes all organizations, churches, schools, merchants, businesses, volunteer fire departments and other interested citizens in Clarksville and Red River County.

What would you like to see accomplished in your community? Be a party and attend the meeting.



PLAY OFF T'S-The Rivercrest Lady Rebels and Rebels made it into the basketball play-offs this year and play off shirts have been printed. The shirts range from youth medium to adult extra extra large and are \$10 each. Jessica Rose and Michael Galloway are shown displaying this year's shirts front and back. Shirts may be purchased at the Rivercrest High School office. Show your support at the games by wearing the Rebel colors and play off shirts. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



KIM ROSS-goes up for the shot as a Union Grove Lady Lion tries to make the block as the two teams met in Bi-District play Monday night in Gladewater. The Lady Rebels were defeated in the final quarter after holding the lead throughout the game. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



AWARDED-Each year student who are visually impaired or blind compete in "Technology Olympics" at Region VIII Education Service Center in Mt. Pleasant. Students compete using braille technology, low vision devices and computers. Vikki Schmidt was awarded a first place trophy for Computer Productivity, level I. In this event, students choose a recipe to type and are judged on their ability to use a computer word processor, the number of typing errors, and the percent of completion in a twenty minute time period. Vikki is a sixth grader at Bogata Elementary and is the daughter of Susan Schmidt. She is shown with her trophy and blue ribbon. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



Adrian IV, who reigned from 1154 to 1159, was the only English Pope. He was born Nicholas Breakspear.

Dear Editor:

I thought people in your area would be interested in this-in my Memphis, Texas, paper an article came out about Joyce (Palmer) Shawheart's death.

She was 75 and a lab technician for three generations of "Dr. Robert Clark". She worked for Dr. Robert Clark Sr., Robert Clark Jr. and Robert (Bob) Clark III.

She was born in Reno, and went to school in Blossom

Her father, Mr. Palmer used to work on the hay meadows for my dad, Lem Guest.

Recently Linnie (Guest) Fox, daughter, got in touch with me, asking about the Charlie Mort Guest family.

Through her I got the address of Dora (Fox) Hyatt my school teacher in 1932-Dora (Fox Hyatt). She is still alive and is 95 years old.

One week an extrat Detroit paper was folded in with mine, I copied the address and put the paper back in the mail and then wrote her.

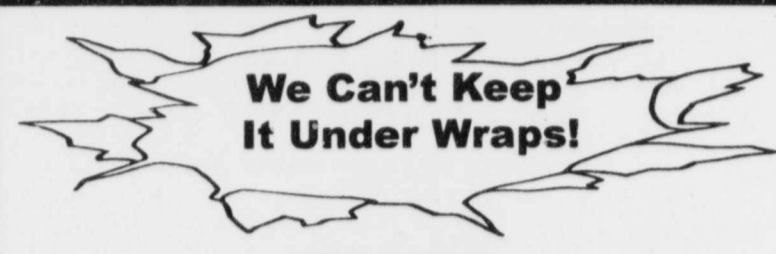
She phone me, she was Mollie (Little) Stanley, and we visited over the phone.

I also got in touch with Marie (Pratt) Pohutsky in Sacramento, California.

When my parents house burned in 1945 they had papers when Detroit was called "Bennet" and pictures of when Fulbright was called

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If anyone reading this wants to write me my address is Virginia Fay Davidson 521 W. Tyler, St. Gilmer, TX. 75644.



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Based in Mt. Pleasant, Lake Country Harmony's members are from all over the northeast Texas area including Quitman, Cason, Avinger, Mt. Pleasant, Hughes Springs, DeKalb, Cookville, Omaha, Pittsburg, Lake Cypress Springs, Atlanta, Linden and Gilmer. The founder and director of this 30 member chorus is Peggy Rounseville of Lake Cypress Springs. Joe Barrett of Cason is assistant director.

Also appearing are B.U.B.A., a Northeast Texas men's barbershop quartet and "Friends, Too" a women's barbershop quartet from Avinger, Tx. The show is sponsored by the Upshur County Arts Council. Tickets may be purchased at the Gilmer Civic Center box office or in advance by contacting Ann at 903-572-0532.

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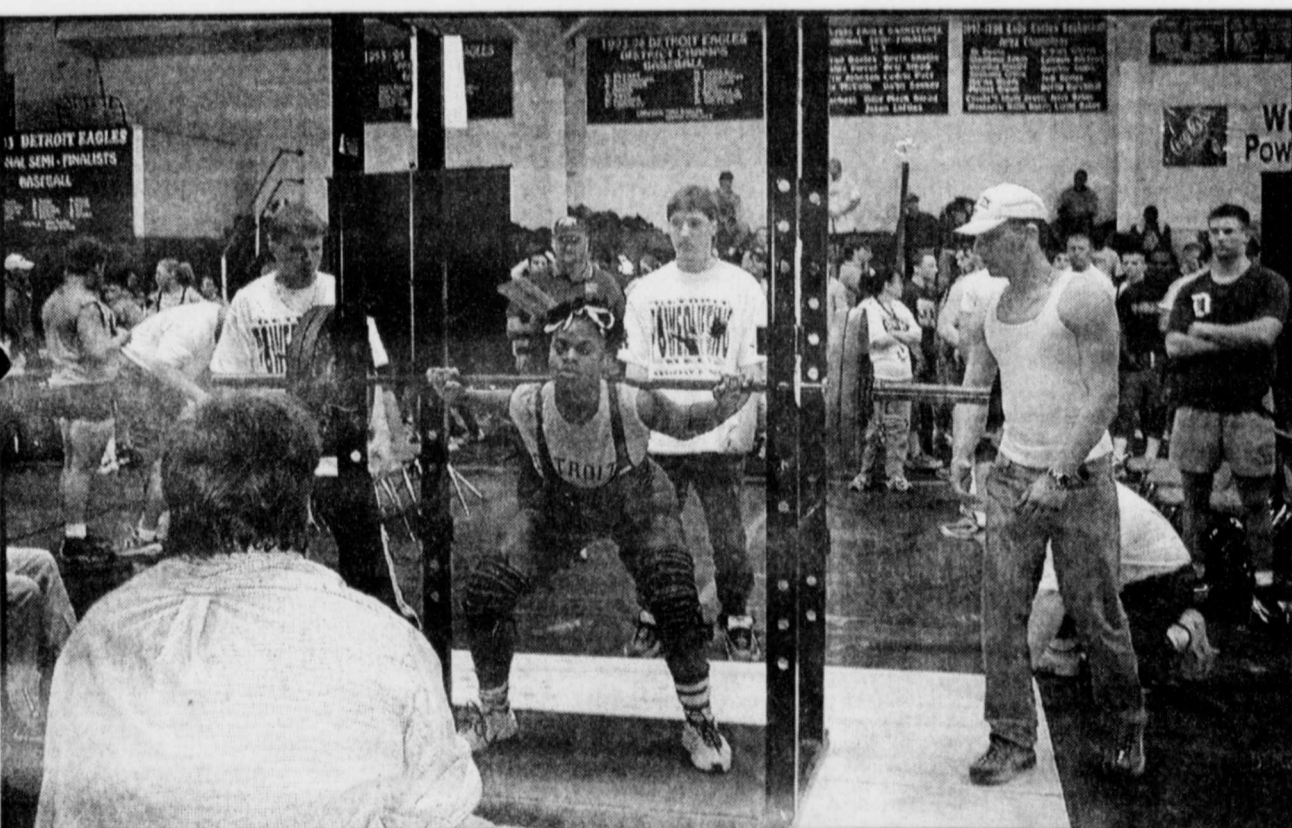
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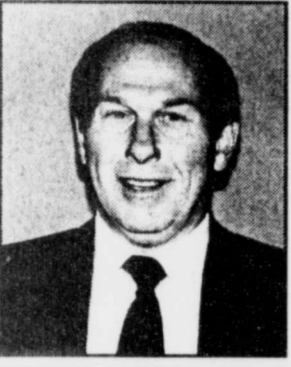


AREA SCHOOLS including Detroit, Prairiland and Rivercrest participated in the first ever Powerade Power Lift competition held at Detroit. Coach David Pasternak stated that 12 schools were participating and hoped to have more next year. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

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Rebels post district play

The Rivercrest Rebels have taken the 1st place title in District play going undefeated. The placing gave them a Bi-District title and set them to play for Area following the outcome of other play off games. While cooling their heels, the Rebels will play Avery on Thursday night at North Lamar with game set for 7:00 p.m. On Monday, the team will travel to Denton to play a practice game against Krum beginning at 6:00 p.m. Everyone is encouraged to come out and support the Rebels as they prepare for the Area play off. Go Rebels!!!



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Why The Eighth Day?

A close examination of the Bible reveals startling proof of its inspiration. Sometimes that proof comes in the form of prophecy-always minutely foretold and completely fulfilled. Sometimes the proof comes in the form of scientific facts which were placed in the divine record hundreds of thousands of years before there were known to the modern scientific mind. This article deals with the latter-an important piece of scientific foreknowledge found with the biblical text, yet completely unknown to man until fairly recently.

In Genesis 17:12, God specifically directed Abraham to circumcise new born males on the eighth day. Why the eighth day? In 1935, Professor H. Dam proposed the name "vitamin K" for the factor in foods which helped prevent hemorrhaging in baby chicks. We now know vitamin K is responsible for the production (by the liver) of the element known as prothrombin. If vitamin K is deficiency, there will be a prothrombin deficiency and hemorrhaging may occur. Oddly, it is only on the fifth through the seventh days of the newborn male's life that vitamin K (produced by bacteria in the intestinal tract) is present in adequate quantities. Vitamin K, coupled with prothrombin, caused blood coagulation, which is important in any surgical procedure. Holt and McIntosh, in their classic work, Holt Pediatric, observed that a newborn infant has "peculiar susceptibility to bleeding between the second and fifth days of life...Hemorrhages at this time, though often inconsequential, are sometimes extensive; they may produce serious damage to internal organs, especially to the brain, and cause death from shock and exsanguination" (1953, pp. 125-126). Obviously, then, if vitamin K is not produced in sufficient quantities until days five through seven, it would be wise to postpone any surgery until some time after that. But why did God specify day eight?

On the eighth day, the amount of prothrombin present is actually elevated above 100 percent of normal, and is the only day in the male's life in which this will be the case under normal conditions. If surgery is to be performed, day eight is the perfect day to do it. Vitamin K and prothrombin levels are at their peak. In his book, None of These Diseases, Dr. S.I. McMillen observed:

We should commend the many hundreds of workers who labored at great expense over a number of years to discover that the safest day to perform circumcision is the eighth. Yet, as we congratulate medical science for this recent finding, we can almost hear the leaves of the Bible rustling. They would like to remind us that four thousand years ago, when God initiated circumcision with Abraham...

Abraham did not pick the eighth day after many centuries of trial and error experiments. Neither he nor any of his company from the ancient city of Ur in the Chaldees had ever been circumcised. It was a day picked by the Creator of Vitamin K (1963, P. 21, Emp. in original).

Moses' information, as recorded in Genesis 17:12, was not only scientifically accurate, but light years ahead of its time. How did Moses have access to such information? The answer of course, is provided by the apostle Paul in 2 Timothy 3:16- "Every scripture is inspired of God..."

This message is brought to you from the Talco Church of Christ. Please join us for services: Sunday Bible class 9:45 a.m., worship hour 10:45; evening worship 6:00 p.m.; Wednesday Bible class at 7:00 p.m.



Kristy Crawford

Vaughan named distinguished student

Rebecca Ann Vaughan, daughter of Steven and Patsy Vaughan of Tomball, Tx., has been designated a "Distinguished Student" at Texas A & M University at College Station at the end of the fall semester, 2000.

Rebecca is a Business major and is in her freshman year. She has a 3.5 GPA with 4.0 being tops. She is the granddaughter of L.M and Helen Vaughan of Overton.



Happy 60th Birthday
Sandra Jan Morgan Lewis
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Fort Worth Stock Show winner

Kristy Crawford of the Rivercrest FFA Chapter exhibited a Reserve Senior Champion Heifer in the Junior Simmental Show on January 20 at the 105th Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show. This outstanding event was judged by Dr. T.D. Dusty Rich of Albuquerque, New Mexico. There were 2119 head entered in the Junior Heifer Show.

The Stock Show's Junior Division this year is hosting a record 9,224 entries by youth of Texas as the culmination of yearlong agricultural educational projects in various areas of livestock production. Junior premiums will exceed \$64,038.

The junior entry list is part of the overall count of more than 22,000 head of cattle, sheep, swine, horses, mules, donkeys, llamas, goats, poultry, pigeons and rabbits. The 105th annual Stock Show, underway at the Will Rogers Memorial Center in Ft. Worth, will continue through Sunday, February 4. Total prize and premium money for the livestock show and its accompanying World's Original Indoor Rodeo will be in excess of \$800,000.

The Stock Show is a major opportunity to showcase the livestock industry as well as a growing metropolis. The 800,000 visitors to the show during its 17 day run will include many people from nations outside the United States. Last year the show hosted visitors from 73 other countries.



Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Hines

Hines to be honored on 40th anniversary

Buddy and Linda Hines will be honored on the occasion of their Fortieth Wedding Anniversary on Sunday, February 18, 2001 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the Dayspring House of Prayer in Deport.

No invitations will be sent but all friends and family are invited.

The Hines were married on Feb. 15, 1961 in Durant, Oklahoma. Their children are Laurinda Stogsdill, Tim Hines, Carl Hines, Lela Kelley, Daniel Hines, Carolyn Nichols.

They have 25 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.



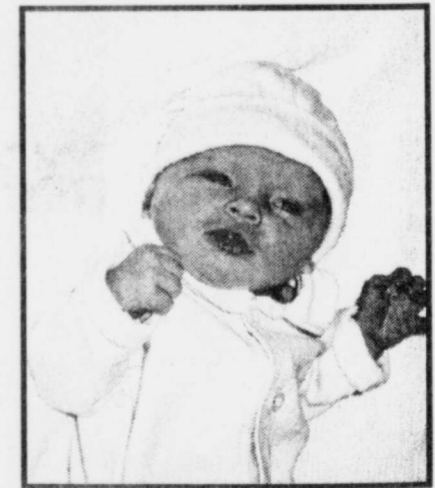
Payton Ryan Street

Births

Mr. and Mrs. Jody Brian Street of Nash, Texas would like to announce the birth of their son, Payton Ryan who was born December 19, 2000 at 11:19 a.m. at Wadley Regional Medical Center in Texarkana, Tx. weighing 6 lbs. 3 ozs. and was 19 inches long. Grandparents are Ben and Cathy Townes of Lone Star Community and Artie and Sue Street of Hagansport. Great grandparents are the late Roy and Fannie Stafford of Clarksville and Earl Townes and the late Louise Townes of Lone Star Community. Paternal great grandparents are Helen Biggerstaff and the late Steve Biggerstaff of Hagansport.



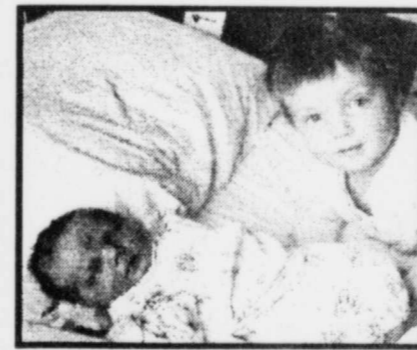
Lauren Brook Healy announces the arrival of her baby sister, **Amanda Faith Healy**, born December 27, weighing 6 lbs. 5 oz and 19" long. Parents are Melissa and Danny Healy of Deport. Grandparents are B.J. and Mary Crawford of Bogata, Martha Healy of Clarksville and Danny and Sharon Healy of Bogata. Great-grandparents are Maxey and Christine Healy of Clarksville.



Kathleen Grace Schlossnagle

New Arrivals

Jackson Lambert Schlossnagle of New Orleans, LA. is proud to announce the arrival of his sister, Kathleen Grace Schlossnagle, who arrived January 29, 2001 at 6:33 p.m. weighing 7 lbs. 9. 2ozs and was 18 inches long. Parents are Jim and Kami Schlossnagle. Grandparents are Terry Dodd of Mesquite, Mike Ford of Kingsville, Greg and Rita Kugler and Jim and Sue Schlossnagle of Maryland. Great Grandparents are Grady and Dorothy Dodd of Johntown, Glenna and J.C. Ford of Paris and John and Ann Schlossnagle of Maryland. Great Grandmother is Nellie L. Schlossnagle.



Coy Daniel Rester

New Arrivals

Coy Daniel Rester arrived February 2, 2001 weighing 10lbs. 2 ozs and was 20 inches long. He joins his brother, Cade and parents, Heather and Kendra Rester. Grandparents are Daniel and Jan Grissom of Mt. Pleasant and Myra Sue Rester of Mt. Pleasant.



MICHAEL GRIFFIN HALL, son of Michael and Heather Hall of Queen City, celebrated his first birthday on January 17. Disney theme characters decorated his party held at the Dixie Maid Restaurant in Atlanta. Approximately 50 friends and relatives enjoyed cake, ice cream and punch while he opened his gifts. Those attending from Talco were Aunt Lois and Uncle Eric Hall. Great granny Guylene Hall and grandparents, Steve and Mary Jo Hall.

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Cooking Rebel Style cookbooks still on sale

"Cooking Rebel Style" cookbooks are still on sale at the Talco School, Talco and Bogata Guaranty Banks. The 300 recipe cookbook is selling from \$10 each and all proceeds will help benefit the Junior High Science Department. To purchase one contact the Talco School at 379-3841, Leah Bull or Tina Nolen.

Services held at Thedford Homes

The Thedford Homes mid-week church service was held February 6, 2001. A total of 15 gathered for a time of fellowship over a covered dish lunch. Dorothy Johnson led the gospel singing and prayer request were taken. Ashlyn Owen and Darren Moore sang a special duet for the group. The 4 year olds are always a blessing to the group.

Bro. Calvin Permenter of Johntown preached a challenging message titled "Warning!" based on Ezekiel 3:15-21. The meeting closed with a beautiful number, "It Is No Secret", sung by Sarah Fleming and Nadine Gore.

The next service will be on Tuesday, February 20, 2001 with a Valentine theme including special desserts, door prizes and a humorous skit called, "The Clogged Heart". Bro. Bill Pirtle will be the guest speaker. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

Congratulations Lady Rebels on making District Play-offs!!



2001 Lady Rebels

Back row: Coach Debbie Williams, Manager Shelly Hollis, Erica Williams, Cheryl Griffin, Kim Ross, Kim Shirley, Jennifer Hays and Coach Karl Whitehurst. Middle row: Jessica Rose, Britney Bull and Ashley Beers. Front: Tina Carter, Rachel Case, Molly Hare and Charla Hines.

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Bogata Book Club meeting held

The Bogata Book Club met February 8, 2001 with Mary Vaughan and Marjorie Myers as co-hostesses. The President, Dawn Darden, led the Pledge to the American and Texas Flags. Roll call was answered by telling of a book recently read. The program was presented by Gail Hervey, Miriam Stephenson, Mary Vaughan, Eleanor McClell, Marjorie Myers and Frances Rozell. Miriam Stephenson told how the library/museum was started, Mary Vaughan told

about the volunteers who work each week, Gail Hervey explained the steps in getting the books ready to be shelved, Eleanor McClell told of the latest trends in libraries, Marjorie Myers displayed books from the genealogy room and Frances Rozell gave a tour of the museum. Pamphlets describing information about the library were distributed to each member. Valentine refreshments were served to 12 members and one guest.

Valentine banquet held at JMBC Sunday

A Valentine Banquet was held Sunday evening February 11, 2001 at the Johtown Missionary Baptist Church. Forty-seven youth and adults attended and enjoyed food furnished by the Ladies Auxiliary which included ham, potato salad, baked beans, rolls, drinks and desserts brought by all the ladies. Everyone reported a good time of fellowship.

Bogata Book Fair reported successful

Bogata School Library just completed its annual Scholastic Book Fair and it is reported a successful fair. A cash profit of \$338.28 was realized plus around \$200 worth of books for the library. All participating are extended a special thank you from Librarian, Linda Gray and the Bogata student body.

Thanks for a great season Ladies!
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3rd ranked Lady Rebels defeated at Bi-District

The Lady Rebels of Rivercrest High School finished 3rd in District play following a see-sawing season. And, although the team went from 1st place to a tie for 1st and then into a tie for 2nd and ended in 3rd place they are the first Rivercrest Lady Rebel team in 15 years to make it into the play offs. On Monday the team traveled to Gladewater to play Union Grove for the Bi-District title. The Lady Lions took the 1st tip of the ball but were unable to score but neither could the Lady Rebels. The first score came on a trey by Union Grove and Kim Shirley answered immediately with a trey for the Lady Rebels. After several minutes of nerves and mistakes the Lady Rebels settled to take a 14-14 lead at the quarter's end. Erica Williams, Kim Ross and Kim Shirley had scored. Both Kim's had a trey among their scores. In the second Erica Williams scored from the free shot line to begin Lady Rebel scoring. Jessica Rose came off the bench to force turnovers and Kim Ross made a clean

block for the Lady Rebels. It was the "best of the Lady Rebels" play. Score 35-31 Lady Rebels at the half. In the third Cheryl Griffin had a good defensive quarter for the Lady Rebels but Rachel Case and Jessica Rose both hit foul trouble. Kim Ross added another trey and Williams, Case, Shirley and Brittany Bull, who had come into the game scored. Kim Shirley was 100% from the free shot line at this point in the game. Lady Rebels 49-Lady Lions-46. The final quarter slipped upon the Lady Rebels and they failed to stop shots from under the goal. Union Grove held them to only 7 points while adding to their own score. They over took the Lady Rebels with just over 3 minutes left in the game. The Lady Rebels were forced to foul to try and get the ball possession back. But, the Lady Lions were hot at the free shot line and ended up adding extra points to their score and easing away from the Lady Rebels. Jennifer Hays came into the game to replace Ross who fouled out after making forced fouls

for the team. Hays, Williams and Shirley committed fouls to try and regain the ball but the Lady Lions made 8 of the free shots to win the game 68-56. High scorer for the game was Kim Shirley with 18 points followed by Kim Ross with 15 points, including 3 treys. Erica Williams had 13, Cheryl Griffin, Rachel Case and Brittany Bull had 2 each and Jessica Rose added 4. Rose and Bull were 100% from the free shot line and Kim Shirley made 11 of 14 free shots. The spell has been broken, the Lady Rebels are back on the winning track, and this Lady Rebel team can be proud of themselves and their coaches who set the ball rolling. Fans will look for a district win next season and more steps toward the State title. Next season seniors, Cheryl Griffin, Kim Ross, Kim Shirley, Jennifer Hays and Manager, Shelly Hollis will be missed, but they have left a challenge! Congratulations Lady Rebels on breaking a 15 year record!!!



Dear Editor,

I would like to congratulate All the 2000-2001 Lady Rebels for their outstanding year and to thank the fans for their support. All of the Lady Rebel programs have had a successful year from the 7th grade to the varsity level.

Many of you do not know the hours of practice and dedication it takes to build a championship team. These girls start in August preparing for their time on the court and many of them continue throughout the year by attending camps and playing summer league ball. They are also involved in various clubs, UIL events and are on the honor roll.

The parents and other family members also deserve a pat on the back for their patience (waiting for the bus to return or for practice to be over), support and understanding. There are many days when family time has to be put on the back burner because of practice, tournaments or games. It takes as much dedication from the family to have a winning program as it does the athlete.

I would also like to thank the Rivercrest administration, teachers, coaches and board members for their support and last but not least, you, the Talco-Bogata News for your year to year coverage. It means a lot to the girls when their efforts are noticed and reported.

Thanks again for your support and WAY TO GO GIRLS, YOU'RE THE BEST!!

Sincerely,
Coach Tammie Case

Red River Healthcare News

- Visiting residents at Red River Healthcare this week were:
- Resident, Gladys Tucker-Nelda, Clifton and Donnie Tucker and children and Floyd Maynard.
 - Resident, Nina Hudson-Kenny Dickson.
 - Resident, Floyd and Bonnie Elson-Judy Wantland, Reba Bell and Mary Ann Williams.
 - Resident, Geraldine Ogg-James and Joyce Ward, Brandy Brown and Loydene DeBerry.
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Dr. Austin Rowan

Arch Pain

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Pain is often the first sign of a foot problem, the pain doesn't always reveal the cause of the condition. The best way to determine the exact cause, location and seriousness of foot pain is to have a podiatric evaluation including medical history, examination and tests. And at DOCTOR'S FOOT CLINIC, complete instructions for follow-up care and prevention are also integral part of any treatment plan. Call 784-5585 for an appointment.

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Bogata 8th grade selling Pizza Hut Gold Cards

Bogata 8th grade class members are selling Pizza Hut Gold Cards to help fund their trip to Washington D.C. that some of the students will be taking during Spring Break.

The card consist of 20 free medium pizza coupons. Buy a large and receive a medium free. The cost of the card is \$10 and can be purchased at the Guaranty Bank in Talco or by contacting Mona Pitts or Anne Simmons at Bogata Junior High.

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Public Notices
ORDER OF ELECTION
 The City of Detroit will hold an election on May 5, 2001 for the purpose of electing one (1) Mayor and two (2) Council Members for two (2) year terms.
 Interested candidates must file for candidacy at Detroit City Hall, 190 E. Garner between February 19 through March 21, 2001, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.
 Application must be filed with Kim Maynard, City Secretary at Detroit City Hall, Travis Bronner, Mayor Pro Tem 2-15
PUBLIC NOTICE
 Advertisement for Bids:
 The City of Blossom, Lamar County, Texas hereby solicits sealed bids from qualified contractors for the following services:
 Provide for all personnel, labor, equipment, trucks and all other items necessary to provide for complete refuse collection, removal and legal disposal from all residential and commercial accounts being served by City of Blossom water meters.
 Scope of work, instructions to bidders, detailed requirements and complete bid packages are available by contacting the City of Blossom, P.O. Box 297, 1240 W. Front St., Blossom, Texas 75416, 903-982-5900, FAX 903-982-6599. Sealed bids proposals, marked "refuse bids", completed on format provided in instruction to bidders, must be received at above address in the office of Blossom City Secretary, prior to 10:00 a.m., March 5, 2001.
 The City intends to let a five-year contract to the most responsive, qualified contractor who presents to lowest bid meeting the City's established requirements.
 The City reserves the right to reject any and all bids, and/or to waive any technicality or informality which may be in the best interest of the City.
 For additional information contact City Administrator at above address, telephone number.
 Tony Chance, City Administrator 2-15
ORDER OF ELECTION
 An election is hereby ordered to be held on May 5, 2001 electing (3) Council persons for the City of Deport, Texas.
 Interested candidates must file for candidacy at the Deport City Hall, 201 Main Street, between February 19 and March 21, 2001, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.
 Applications must be filed with Sharon Francis, City Secretary at City Hall.
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Wanted

KELLY PLANT FARMS office clerk position available. Temporary, now through June, 2001. Some computer skills needed. Apply at Kelly Plant Farms, Rt. 1, Box 272-A, Bogata, TX 75417, 903-632-4437. MA 2-22

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TONEY ESTATE SALE: 2 1/2 miles east of Deport on Bgwell Road, left at Bluff Cemetery sign and FR2127N. February 17-18, Saturday and Sunday. Rain or shine. Lots of household items and furniture. 2-15

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FREE OAK FIREWOOD: You cut, you haul. 903-379-5171. MA 2-22

FREE TO GOOD HOME: Blonde cocker spaniel, neutered male, all shots. Less than one year old. 903-652-9986. 2-15nc

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Vehicles & Supplies

FOR SALE: 1986 XL Ford Club Cab 15 passenger van. 44,500 miles. Front/rear air, cruise control, carpet and vinyl seats. Call Bogata United Methodist Church. 903-632-5610. MA 3-1

Bogata Locals

Anita Baker of Cooper's Chapel visited her mother, Annette and Charles Skaggs Tuesday. Annette and Anita traveled to Chisum in the evening to see granddaughter and daughter, Gina Baker, compete with the Lady Red Devils of Chapel Hill vs the Lady Mustangs of Chisum in Chisum. Annette reports the Lady Red Devils won their games after some exciting play.

Dixie Stringfellow and Vicki Tabb visited with Joe and Misty Stringfellow and boys in Paris Saturday.

Zelma Mauldin is reported home and recovering following back surgery.

Happy February to Luciah Strickland, Marie Carr, Ross Griffin, Jody Gray and Carolyn Coggins. Recent visitors of Dixie Stringfellow

low were Jimmy Stringfellow, Vicki Tabb, Billy Stringfellow, Felina White, Grady Rhodes, Dee and Maggie Richardson.

Kim and Quinton Anderson visited overnight with Mr. and Mrs. M.A. Anderson and Anthony Monday.

Visiting with Zelma Mauldin last week were Jerry and Belinda Mauldin of Hurst, Tricia Bradley, Corey and Casey of Bismark, Arkansas, Susie Fowler of McCaskil, Arkansas, Kenneth and Phyllis Duffer and Margie Garrett.

Wednesday, Dixie Stringfellow visited with Velma Hill and John W. Burns.

Weekend guests of Phyllis and Kenneth Duffer were their grandchildren, Corey and Casey of Bismark, Arkansas.

Talco Locals

call your news in to the Talco Times at 379-4445

Judy Easley visited overnight with T.J. and Tommie Williams in Kilgore Wednesday.

Katherine Graf visited Jack and Jennifer Brown and new arrival, Jaden Brown at Hopkins County Hospital Wednesday.

Jasmine Hodge was honored with a surprise 12th birthday party by her parents, Bro. Brian and Melinda Hodge, Jasper and Chloe Friday evening at the Talco City Hall Community Room. Special guests were her grandparents, Gene and Helga Wilson of DeSoto and aunt and uncle, Matt and Lisa Young of Waxahachie. All report a great time and Jasmine received many nice gifts.

Jerry and Trisha Pittman are reported vacationing at Padre Island.

Overnight guest Saturday with Tommie and Judy Easley were their grandsons, Tyler and Austin Easley of Bogata.

Laura Bevell was honored with a birthday/sleep over party Friday evening by her parents, Cecil and Robbie Bevell at their home in Maple Springs. All report a great time and

Laura received many nice gifts. Nancy Brown and Patsy Smith visited Jennifer Brown and Jaden in Paris Thursday. Also visiting was Jennifer's mom, Pam Allmon.

T.J. and Tommie Williams of Kilgore visited Saturday with Judy and Tommie Easley and family. They enjoyed attending grandson and nephew, Tyler Easley's, Little Dribbler game in Bogata.

Eddie and Nancy Brown and grandson, Quinton visited Jack, Jennifer and Jaden Brown in Paris Sunday afternoon.

Happy February birthday to; Jasmine Hodge, Laura Bevell.

Happy Anniversary to Brian and Melinda Hodge who celebrated 13 years of marriage February 13, 2001.

Enjoying supper at the Golden Corral in Gilmer prior to attending the Lady Rebel play off game in Gladewater Monday night were; Mark, Debbie and Sarah Hare, Tommy, Janice, Ricky and Payden Franks and Aaron Palmer and Eddie and Nancy Brown.

JOHNTOWN NEWS

By Jana Hawkins

Mark, Jana and Hana Hawkins traveled to Pittsburg on Saturday to visit with Lucille Childers who is temporarily in the Pittsburg Nursing Home due to the fall that caused her wrist to break. Lucille says that the therapy is doing her a world of good and that she is able to get up and down on her own and is sleeping much better. Douglas Hawkins also visited with her Saturday evening.

Jana, Haley and Heather Hawkins enjoyed eating out and shopping in Paris on Thursday night.

James and Pauline Gibbs were Saturday night visitors of Mark and Jana Hawkins and girls. They enjoyed seeing the completed portion of Haley's dophine mural that fully covers one of her walls.

Saturday evening Jana, Haley, Heather and Hana Hawkins visited with Shane, Michelle, Ally Gibbs and their new arrival Leah Breanne, born Saturday, February 3, 2001.

Sunday lunch guests of Drue and Billie Pirtle were Ed and Jo Pirtle, Matt and Lana Buchheit, Clay Pirtle, Kelly, Jacob and Kristin Harville, Robin, Kyla and Jesse Harville.

Robbie, Haley and Heather Hawkins traveled to Paris Saturday shopping.

Heather and Haley Hawkins traveled to the Lady Rebels Bi-District play off game in Gladewater with Ray and Susan Shirley on Monday night.

A good crowd attended the workday scheduled last Saturday at the Johntown Missionary Baptist Church. Cleaning, repairing and cooking was done for Sunday's Valentine banquet.

Monday

Breakfast
Cereal
toast
juice & milk
Lunch
Corn dogs
peas
macaroni & cheese
fruit
milk

Tuesday

Breakfast
Cinnamon rolls
graham crackers w/peanut
juice & milk
Lunch
Chicken rings
cream potatoes w/gravy
green beans
rolls
milk

Wednesday

Breakfast
Sausage biscuit
jelly & butter
juice & milk
Lunch
Spaghetti w/meat sauce
fried okra
diced potatoes
cornbread
milk

Thursday

Breakfast
Waffles w/syrup
sausage
juice & milk
Lunch
Soft tacos
refried beans
spanish rice
pickle spears
brownies
milk

Friday

Breakfast
Cereal
toast w/jelly & butter
juice & milk
Lunch
Hamburgers
beans
salad
chips
ice cream

—Dick Gregory

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Advanced Directives allows you to let your desires about medical care be known before it is needed. Either by completing a Directive to Physicians; also called a Living Will or by

completing a medical Power of Attorney, you are taking control of future medical decisions by letting your family, physician and other health care professionals know of your wishes.

Come visit our facility and get more information on Advanced Directives on Thursday, February 22 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

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