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Testing, Testing!

How long has it been since you took a test? Assuming that you are no longer in school, it may have been some time since you sat down and had to answer questions for points.

Twelve people from this area joined about sixty others in Mt. Pleasant last Wednesday to take their Emergency Medical Services tests.

I had studied. I knew my material. I knew my book. My weak spots (respiration rates, figuring burn percentages) I had gone over until I literally was doing them in my sleep.

I walked in that classroom pretty cocky. Then, when the door shut and our instructor announced it was time to start, I nearly froze. First thing, after being told about four times NOT to write in the test book, I did. I marked my first answer down in that book, instead of on the handy-dandy scan-tronic sheet. The moment I realized what an idiot I had been, sweat popped out on my forehead. I immediately corrected my error, but it totally shredded my confidence. I'll also be getting a bill for the test booklet, hope that isn't too expensive!

But as I plowed through the questions my palms kept on sweating. Did I know what I was doing? Were these really the correct answers? Of course they were right...weren't they?

Then I hit my first question that I truly wasn't sure about. I passed it over, answered the rest on that page and went back to it. Finally, I thought it through and answered, correctly, I hope.

Then I plodded onward. My teeth hurt, I had them clenched so tightly. There was a palpable aura of tension floating over that room. If misery loves company, there was plenty of it in that particular location. Of course, the Paramedics had four hours of this torture as opposed to our paltry one hour.

Twice more I bounced off of questions that I just wasn't sure about. Twice more I made my best guess and passed on.

But after getting out of there, we all were chattering, moaning, comparing answers and complaining. I realized it had been years since I had been required to test for something where the grade really counted! To cap it off, although our scores won't be posted, whether we passed or failed will be on the Texas Department of Health's EMS website. Wouldn't it be humiliating to have failed and have the whole state be able to see it?

But, we only had about four to seven days of waiting...we thought.

For now it seems that TDH had a little problem with their answer keys....and those who took this test after March 23rd learned that "grading of tests is expected to resume soon". That means our test results are on HOLD!!! Ahhhhh, the suspense is killing me! Remind me to have more sympathy for students, I had forgotten what they go through!

Editor's Quotes

Goodness is the only investment that never fails.
Thoreau

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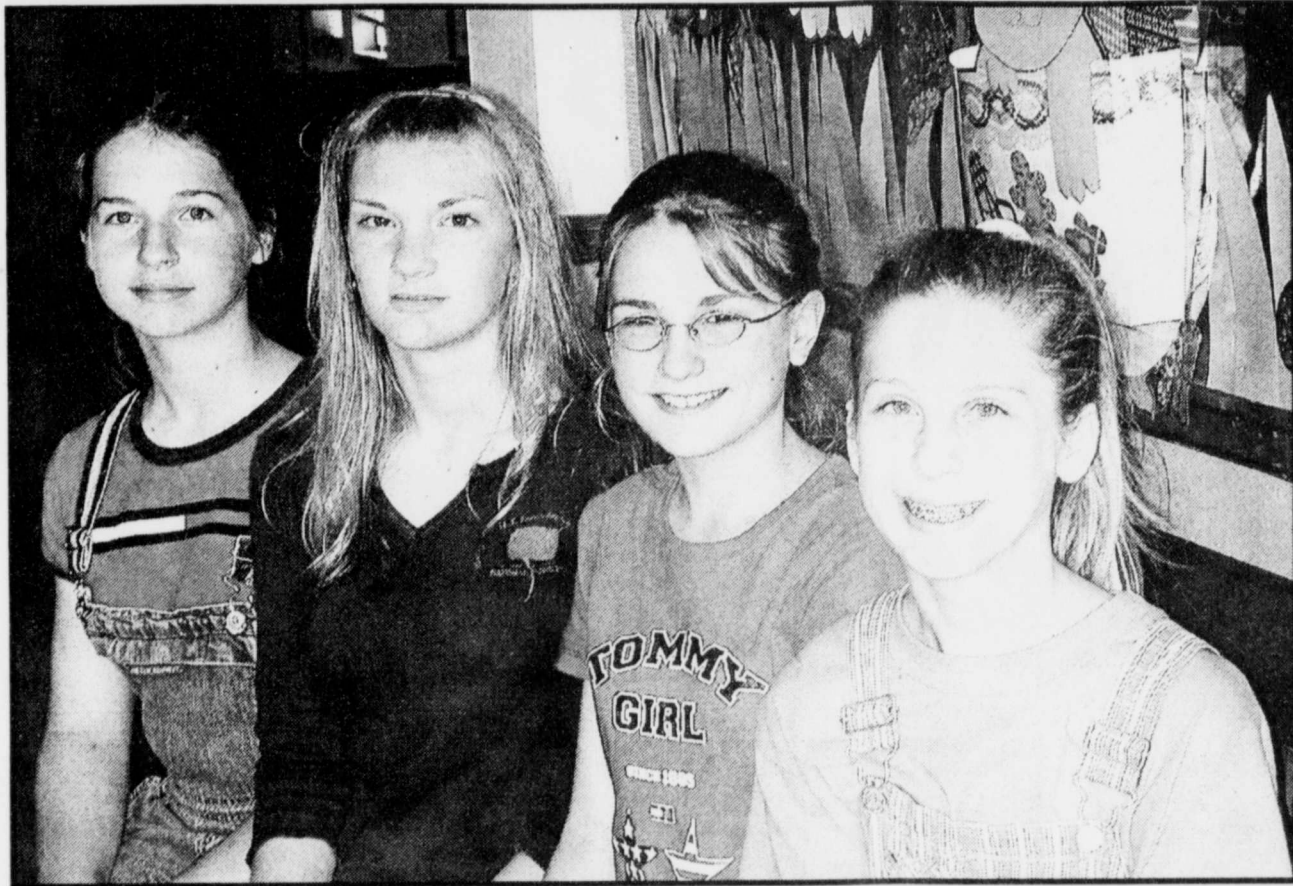
Talco Times

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SERVING AS OFFICERS-this year for the newly formed Talco 4-H are; (from the left) President, Laci Hinton; Vice President-Kendra Birchfield; Secretary-Alex Wright and Treasurer-Laura Bevil. The group meets monthly at the Talco School and have been very active in 4-H projects thus far this year. Laci is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Hinton; Kendra is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Birchfield; Alex is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Shane Wright and Laura is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Bevil. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

PTO groups combine

The Talco/Bogata PTO groups met on Monday, March 26 at Rivercrest to combine the two groups into a Rivercrest PTO. The newly formed group elected officers at this time. Elected officers were Kim Kelsey, President; Lori Franks, V-President; Linda Brown, Secretary; Regina Easley, Treasurer; and Kathie Thompson Historian/Reporter. Playground equipment and fundraisers were discussed. Equipping the new Rivercrest Elementary playground will be the first major task of the group.

The officers met on Tuesday April 3 and wrote bylaws to be discussed

and approved by the group at their next meeting on April 16.

Please remember that you can make memorial or in honor of donations to the Rivercrest PTO playground fund. A plaque with names will be displayed in the school. An acknowledgment card will also be sent to the families of those donations are made in their memory or honor.

All parents of Rivercrest Elementary and Junior High children are encouraged to attend our next meeting on Monday, April 16 at 6:00p.m. We will meet at the high school in the homemaking department.

Rivercrest PTO accepting donations

Rivercrest ISD PTO is accepting donations for playground equipment for the new elementary school.

Anyone wishing to make a donation in memory of someone will have their name and the person in whose memory the gift was made engraved on a plaque that will be displayed in the school.

Donations may be mailed to Lori Franks, Rivercrest High School, Rt. 1 Box 253, Bogata, Tx. 75417 or to Linda Brown, Guaranty Bank, Talco, Tx. 75487. All contributions will be greatly appreciated.

Calvary Baptist plans Easter activities

Calvary Baptist Church, Talco, is planning special events during the Easter holiday.

On Friday at 7 p.m., there will be a special Good Friday service with singing and a message by Bro. Rex Jackson.

On Sunday morning, the Calvary Choir will present an Easter musical "Beautiful Savior" created by Greg and Gail Skipper.

Everyone is invited to attend and encouraged to take part in these special services.

Student Council to sponsor dance

The Talco Student Council will sponsor a Junior High dance April 21, 2001 at Rivercrest High School from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. Admission will be \$2.00 per student.

Only Rivercrest Junior High students may attend. All Talco and Bogata 6th-7th and 8th graders are encouraged to come and join the fun.

Drivers Ed classes to begin

Drivers Education classes will begin April 23 and run through May 16 at Rivercrest High School. Class times will be 6:00 a.m. and 8:00 a.m. The class will be held in Room 114 at the school.

The fee for the class is \$185.00 payable to Rivercrest High School and must be paid by the first class day which is April 23. For more information contact the school at 903-632-5204.

Revival services to be held at Harris Chapel

The Harris Chapel Missionary Baptist Church in Sugar Hill would like to invite everyone to its annual revival services beginning April 16 through April 18 nightly at 7:00 p.m.

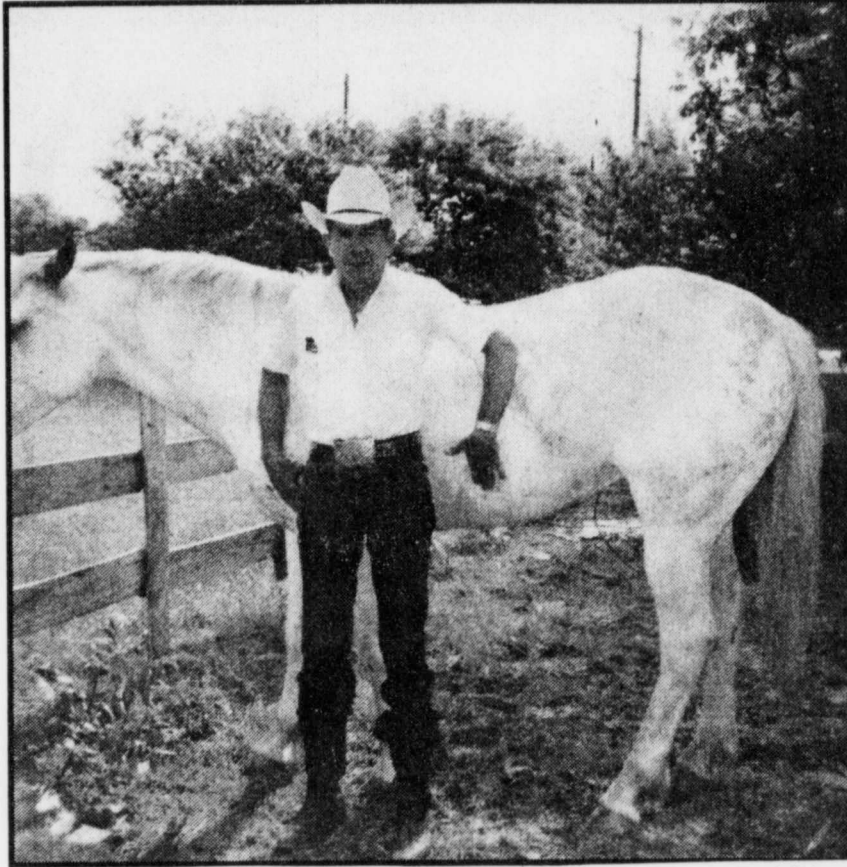
Monday's message will be brought by Bro. Gaylon Riddle followed on

Tuesday with a message from Bro. Billy Daniels of Bogata Missionary Baptist Church. The final night's guest speaker will be Bro. Mike Amerson of Mt. Pleasant. Come hear the word of God and share in his blessings.

School Board election unnecessary

It will be unnecessary to hold a Rivercrest Board of Trustee election this year due to no opposition.

Positions 2 and 5 held by Jimmy Via and Charlie Hines will continue to be held by Mr. Via and Mr. Hines.



THIS IS THE J.C. "Jake" Smith as most friends know him, a Red River County cowboy. Jake has worked the Bogata Rodeo with his brother, Jerald, for many years and has been involved in farming and ranching all of his adult life. He owned and operated a gas station in Bogata and later worked for Ed Williams at his station. Jake has an outgoing personality and a good sense of humor. Some of his friends may not know the Jake who served his country during World War II.

J.C. "Jake" Smith

The following article is taken from Martha Sue Stroud's book "For Love of Country".

J.C. "Jake" Smith was born July 1, 1921 in Red River County. His parents were Oscar and Norie Patton Smith and he was one of ten children. He married Margaret Barton and they have two children, Sherry and Donnie. The Smiths make their home in Bogata. He visited with us and said:

"I enlisted in the Army on June 22, 1942 and was sent to Camp Wallace, Texas. My basic training as a Medic was at Camp Barkley in Abilene. My job was to drive an ambulance to an aid station and back to the general hospital. From there, I went by train to Ft. Lewis, Washington, Camp Pickett, Virginia, Ft. Dix, New Jersey and New York. We boarded the USS Monticello, an Italian luxury liner that had been in the harbor when the war started. It was converted to a troop carrier. The trip overseas was a rough one that lasted eight days. When we were at sea three days, we heard depth charges exploding. Later we learned that a ship had sunk with many lives lost. We were in a large convoy going to Africa where I served as a Medic. My outfit set up a hospital outside Algiers in a cork forest. Most all the patients went back to a town where hospitals had been set up in some buildings that had been schools. Then I became a part of the 53rd Amphibious, 3337th Ordinance Truck Company. My training for this was at Oran, Africa and I drove a 2 1/2 ton amphibious truck used for delivering supplies, equipment and personnel to the coast. This truck was called a "duck" because it ran on land or sea. It could land on the beach and keep going. Since there were no docks, the ships might be five miles out so those "ducks" would be used to go back and forth.

From Africa, we participated in the invasion of Gelo, Sicily. We were fighting under General George Patton, and it took us about 28 days to take it. On our second trip into Sicily, the ship was out about three miles. The "duck" sank about 300 yards from shore. Luckily, we had on life preservers, and the tide took us in. Shells were hitting all around us, but this did keep the sharks away. Here we were attached to the 3rd Division. Then it was on to Italy with the 36th Division. We went through Italy, Southern France and Belgium and then on to Germany. We took river crossing training before crossing the Rhine River. The Rhine was not as big as I thought it would be. After we crossed, we used pack saddles on mules to carry the big guns up in the mountains. We ate K-rations and C-rations and lots of times set them on the truck muffler to heat them. Our division did a lot. We were attached to Scottish and British outfits. After Patton went back to the U.S., we were under Gen. Mark Clark. Everyone liked Patton, and when he slapped that boy, it was because the boy was shell shocked. We didn't make it to Berlin, but we did see Hitler's summer retreat. After the war ended, there were lots of German refugees that had to be sent back to replacement centers to be sorted out."

Jake served in Algeria-French Morocco, Naples-Foggia, Normandy, Northern France, Rhineland, Ardennes and Central Europe. He came back to the states on the USS John Hopkins, a liberty ship. It quit running twice before they landed in Baltimore and a tug boat finally had to pull them in. He was discharged at the Separation Center, IGMR, Pennsylvania on October 8, 1945. He was awarded a Good Conduct Medal and European-African-Middle Eastern Service Medal with seven Bronze Stars.

There are stories of many other local servicemen in Martha's book. She donated a book to the Bogata Library/Museum. The library is open Fridays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday. You are welcome to come in and check the book out.



CLASS FAVORITES-at the Talco Elementary School in grades 2nd through 5th this year are: (from the left) 4th grade favorites, E.J. Via and Jillian Sloan; 3rd grade favorite, Joshua Moore and not pictured Eloisa Valerio; 5th grade favorites; Alex Savage and Laura Bevil and 2nd grade favorite; Aaron Blankenship and not pictured, Haley Eudy. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Come home to Bogata this weekend

The Bogata High School Homecoming is set for Saturday, April 14. The gym will be open at 10:30 a.m. for registration and early visiting. Lunch will be served at the cafeteria from 11:30 to 12:30.

The program will begin at 1:00 p.m. Time will be available to recognize the past year's honors and accomplishments of those present. Bring a note about a family member, friend or yourself.

Also Michelle Bryson Smith will sing. She is the daughter of Bill and Linda Bryson, granddaughter of Lou Beth hatcher Hendrex and Grady

Hendrex and the great granddaughter of the late Gladys and Dixon Hatcher. Gladys was a sister of Clifford Barnard. Dixon Hatcher came to Bogata in 1937 taught school and coached the Bulldogs. He and his team won District 1837; Bi-District 1938 and expected to attend the Homecoming this year are Jeffy Puckett, Sam Latimer, Leland Simms, Harley Vaughan, Jimmy Grayson, Jack Pike, Lawrence Wood and Charles Wilkinson.

Make your plans to attend, visit and re-live some great times.
Host this year is the Class of 1950.

Mt. Pleasant Cemetery declared historical

On October 6, 2000, the Mt. Pleasant Cemetery was declared historical by the State of Texas. An affidavit was submitted and filed at the Lamar County Courthouse and a plaque has been purchased from the State of Texas for the cemetery.

A dedication ceremony will be held on May 26 at 3:00 p.m. at the cemetery, weather permitting. All interested parties are welcome.

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Lamar Ave. Church of Christ to Hold Homecoming Sunday in July, 2001

The Lamar Avenue Church of Christ will celebrate their 132nd Anniversary this year, and have chosen Sunday, July 29th, 2001 as Homecoming Sunday.

Anyone who has ever attended the church or wishes to is encouraged to be on hand for this special day.

A number of former ministers are being invited to come back and take

part in the service. Worship will be at 9:00 a.m., with Sunday School to follow. Communion will be taken at 11:30 a.m. or noon.

After the service a buffet dinner will be provided free to all who attended at the Love Civic Center.

For further information please call 785-0387.

VA gets frequently asked questions

Editor's Note: Following are typical questions answered daily by VA counselors. Full information is available at any VA office.

April 2001

Q: I've heard about disabled veterans getting extra money for their families. I have two children at home. Can I get an increase in my disability pay?

A: Disabled veterans can receive extra money from the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) for family members. There are several rules

that must be followed. First, the veterans disability must be officially recognized by VA as service connected. Second, VA must determine the disability is at least 30 percent. Third, the family member must meet certain requirements.

Among the requirements for children are that the child must be under 18 years of age, or under 23 years if still in school, or of any age if the child became disabled before reaching the 18th birthday.

Q: Is it true that money can be deducted from Social Security checks if a veteran owes money to the VA?

A: When veterans receive overpayments of their VA benefits or they're responsible for co-payments for medical care and they do not make the required payments, VA is legally obligated to turn the debts over to the Treasury Department, which then withholds the money from other federal payments.

Among the sources from which money can be withheld are income tax refunds and federal retired pay. Social Security withholdings began this year. Veterans will always receive the first \$750 of each month's Social Security payment. Only 15 percent of the amount greater than \$750 can be withheld. Veterans will be notified several times before any withholdings are made. People can avoid the withholding by voluntarily settling their debts.

Q: Does VA provide health care for veterans with AIDS?

A: Veterans with HIV (the Human Immunodeficiency Virus) and AIDS (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome) are treated like veterans with any other health problem.

All are eligible to enroll in VA's health-care system. They may have to make co-payments for treatments and medication unless they qualify for VA disability compensation or their income falls below a certain level known as the means-test threshold.

For further information about VA financial payments, call 1-800-827-1000, for information about VA health care, call 1-877-222-8387, or visit VA's web-page at <www.va.gov>.

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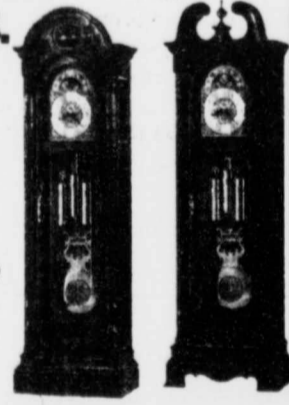
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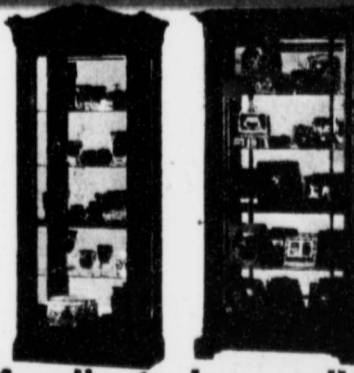
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FOOT NOTES

Toe Joint Problems
Toe joints are a common source of pain and problems in the foot. Ill-fitting shoes, systemic conditions like arthritis and poor biomechanics contribute to toe joint problems. Gout, a form of arthritis involving the formation of uric acid crystals in and around joints, and infections can trigger heat, pain, swelling, tenderness and redness in the big toe. The big toe joint can also suffer a bunion from a misalignment that causes it to bend toward the second toe. The four smaller toe joints are susceptible to bending abnormally due to constricting shoes or excessively high or low arches. Corns may develop as the joints rub against shoes. Arthritis commonly affects the toe joints, causing pain, stiffness and swelling.

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P.S. Your podiatrist can recommend treatment that will help relieve the symptoms of toe joint pain.

Final planning meeting set for safety fair

A final meeting for planning the upcoming Think Child Safety Fair will be held Monday, April 23 at 1:30 p.m. at the Lennox Health Resource Center in Clarksville. You must either attend this final meeting or fax your confirmation that your agency/organization will be participating in this year's safety fair.

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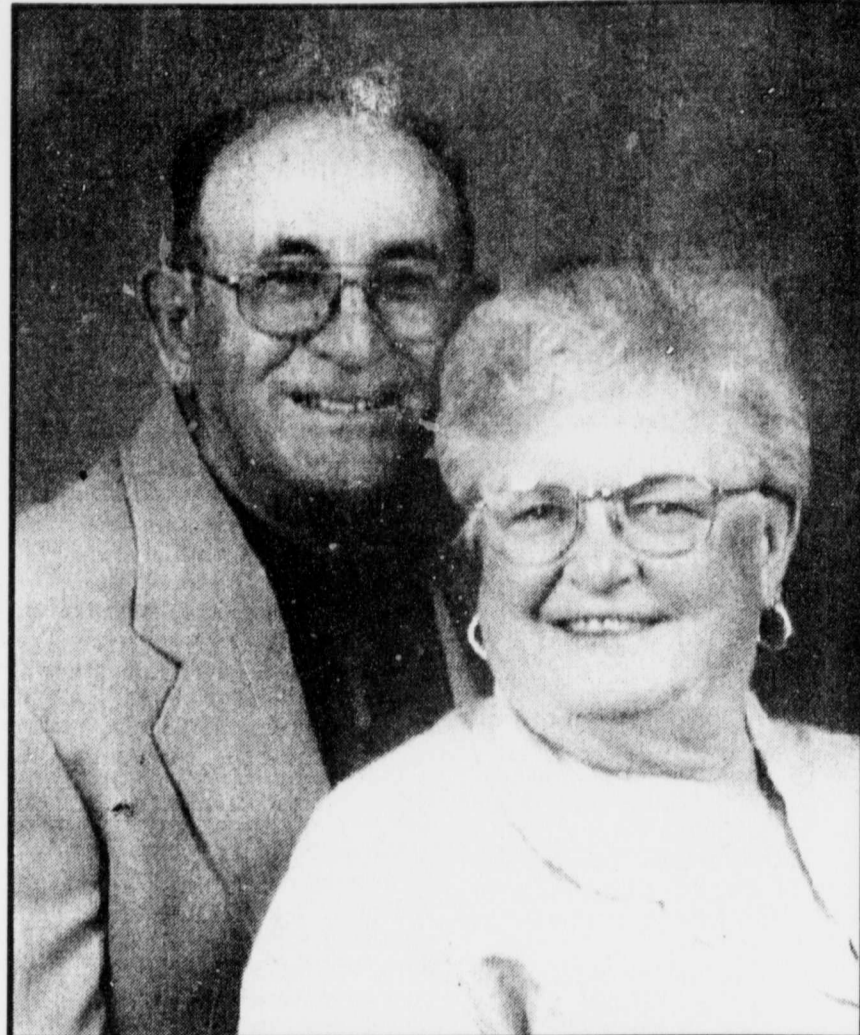
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Paul and Velma Woodle, married 50 years

Woodles celebrate 50th anniversary

Paul and Velma Woodle celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on April 11. The couple was married in 1951. They have three children, Larry Woodle and Wanda Fincher, both of Bogata and Joyce Shelton of Mt. Pleasant, eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. The days activities included special visits, cards and gifts from Jimbo and Jeannia Trammell, Matthew Woodle and Steven, Melanie and Jacob Thomas.



Darold & Ida Mae Norwood, married 50 years

Darold & Ida Mae Norwood to celebrate 50th anniversary

The children and grandchildren of Darold and Ida Mae Foster Norwood will be honoring their parents on April 22 from 2 until 4 p.m. at the Life Tabernacle Church in Cunningham. They were married April 8, 1951 in Texarkana, AR. Everyone is cordially invited to attend this special affair to honor their 50th anniversary. Hosts for the occasion include Roger Clark, Del and Phillip Norwood Walker, Sheila Norwood, John Darold Walker, Jennifer and Glen Clark Williams, Clay Clark and Zackery Walker. The couple requests no gifts, please.

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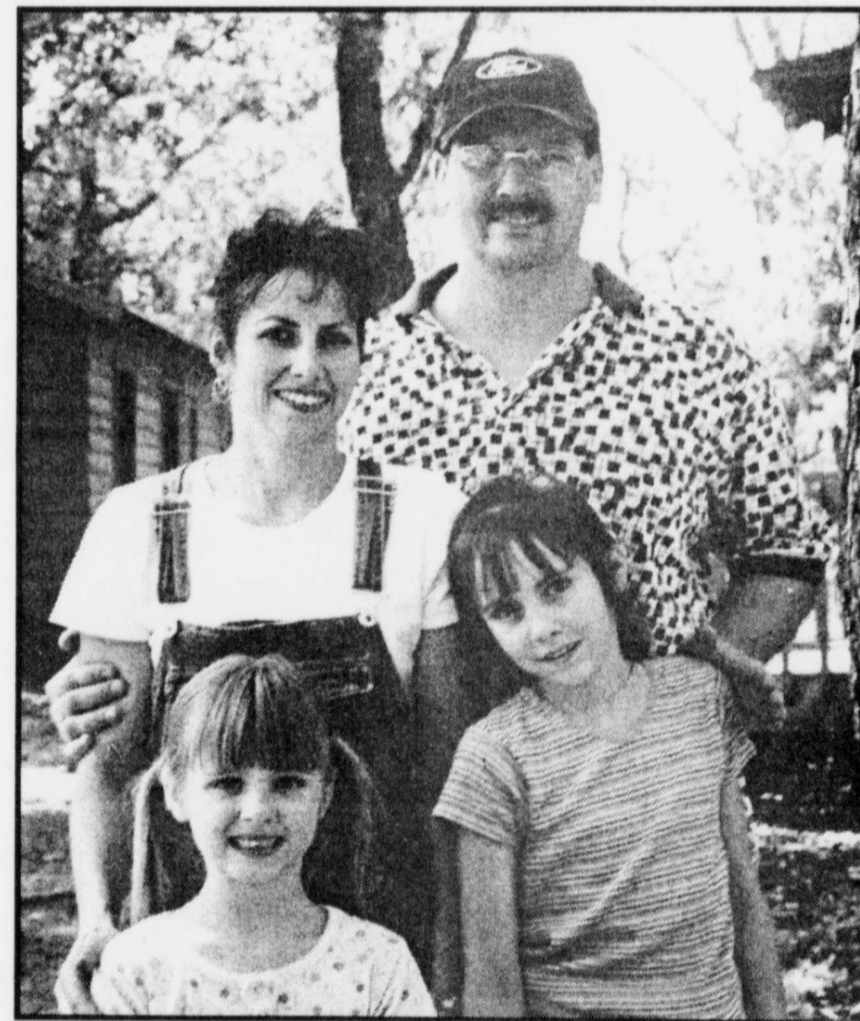
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Talco-Bogata-RHS school menu April 16-20

- Monday**
Breakfast: Oatmeal, toast w/butter and jelly, juice & milk
Lunch: Pizza, corn, salad, fruit, milk
- Tuesday**
Breakfast: Waffles w/syrup, juice & milk
Lunch: Corn dogs, macaroni & cheese, seasoned beans, pickle spears, fruit cobbler, milk
- Wednesday**
Breakfast: Sausage biscuit, jelly & butter, juice & milk
Lunch: Spaghetti w/meat sauce, salad, peas, crackers, cake, milk
- Thursday**
Breakfast: Cinnamon rolls, graham crackers w/peanut butter, juice & milk
Lunch: Chicken fried steak w/gravy, cream potatoes, green beans, hot rolls, milk
- Friday**
Breakfast: Cereal, toast, juice & milk
Lunch: Cheeseburgers, seasoned beans, burger salad, chips, ice cream, milk

Life teaches us to be less harsh with ourselves and with others. —Johann Wolfgang von Goethe



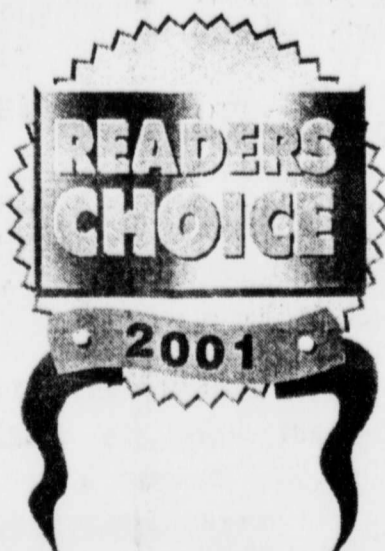
Fulbright Baptist has new pastor

Bro. Mark Ritchey of Detroit is now serving as the new pastor at Fulbright Baptist Church. He and his wife, Joy have two daughters, Jacqueline and Jessica, who attend school in Detroit. He came from Hickman, Kentucky where he was pastor of First Baptist Church. He has also served as pastor at Lane's Chapel Baptist Church in Red River County. Bro. Ritchey and family now reside in Fulbright. Everyone is invited to come and worship with the congregation any Sunday or Wednesday night.

Red River Healthcare News

- Visiting residents at Red River Healthcare recently were: Resident Vivian Fail- Jimmie Fail, Marilyn and Ronnie Presley. Resident Gladys Tucker-Clifton Tucker, Nelda Tucker, Floyd Maynard and great grandkids. Resident Grady Williams-Edna, Kenneth and Karen Williams. Resident Aubry Herring-Carron Herring. Residents Floyd and Bonnie Elson-Reba Bell, Opal Benson, Ronald and Dorothy Benson, Tessa, Randa and Hanna Riddle. Resident W.A. Kelley-Mary Sims. Resident Kathryn Presley-Mary Ann Clancy, Ronnie and Marilyn Presley. Resident Doris Glover-Sue Henry. Resident Billie Hancock-Shirley Smith, Sandra Benson and Mary Ellen Kain. Resident Mary Brown-Eva Watkins and Inez Gill. Resident Dorothy Green-Larry Thomas, Charlene Knowles, Virginia Bell and Larry Bell. Resident Eleanor Foxworthy-Alma Davis, Darren Cowley, Linda and James Cowley. Resident George Hancock-Inez Gill, Pat and Billie Lindsey. Resident Richard Swarts-Pat and Billie Lindsey. Resident Shelia Gibson-Inez Gill. Resident Maudie Lee-Pat and Billie Lindsey, Ruth Lee, Geneva and Wesley Jenkins. Resident Ovie Patterson-Pat and Billie Lindsey. Resident Opal Isenburg-Pat and Billie Lindsey. Resident Georgia Miller-Pat and Billie Lindsey. Resident Doris Skaggs-Inez Gill. Resident Alice Craig-Inez Gill. Resident Lucy Jenkins-James Jenkins. Resident Myrtle Singleton-Inez Gill. Resident Vernona Young-Ruby Jordan. Resident Geraldine Ogg-Loydene DeBerry, Tony Merritt and Sidney Yuknavage. Resident Oma McKinney-Connie Luelke. Resident Vera Craddock-Inez Gill. Resident Beulah Pierce-Inez Gill. Resident Melvin Pointer-Daphne Pointer. Resident Casey York-Doug Hawkins. The residents of Red River Healthcare enjoy your visits. Stop by and see a friend or family member today!

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Lady Rebels defeat DeKalb Lady Bears

The Rivercrest Lady Rebel softball team hosted the DeKalb Lady Bears on Tuesday, April 3, 2001 at Joliet. In the two teams first meeting this year the Lady Bears had won the contest with a score of 1-0. In the first inning and the Lady Rebels in the field the first out of the game was made by Ashley Beers who caught a fly ball at second base. The next two outs came on a throw from third base by Michelle Bryant to Jamie Daniels at first base and a fly caught in right field by Cheryl Griffin and the Lady Rebels came in for their first at bat. Two strike outs and a tag made at first base sent the Lady Rebels right back to the field.

In the top of the second an error at third base put a Lady Bear runner on base. A throw from catcher, Erica Williams to Daniels at first got the first out. A fly to Kim Ross at short stop got out number 2 and then a Lady Rebel error at second put another Lady Bear on base. The Lady Rebels escaped the Lady Bear score on a throw from Daniels at first to Williams at home. Williams made the tag to get the 3rd out and end the top of the inning. At bat the Lady Rebels went 3 up and 3 down on 2 strike outs and a caught fly to the catcher.

In the top of the 3rd inning Beers caught a fly out at second, an error at short stop put a Lady Bear on base and the second out came on a fly to third. Then the Lady Bears went to work. A base hit scored the on base runner and a drop in hit to right field scored the base runner before the final out came on a fly to Beers at second. Score 2-0 Lady Bears. At bat the Lady Rebels were under pressure. The first two batters were a fly out to center field and a strike out and

then the Lady Rebels stepped their game up. Kim Shirley got the base hit, Tina Carder took a walk and Erica Williams drove Shirley home on a base hit to center field. A fly out to left field ended the drive. Score 2-1 Lady Bears.

Top of 4 and the Lady Rebels in the field. Lady Rebel pitcher, Molly Hare sent the first batter down on a strike out. A Beers to Daniels throw got the 2nd out and a fly to Carder in center field sent the Lady Rebels in. No scores came at the girls went 3 up and 3 down. Flies to left and center fields were caught by the Lady Bears and a strike out put the Lady Rebels right back in the field to begin the 5th inning.

In the top of 5 the Lady Rebels let the first batter make base on an error, however, she was tagged out along with the next batter being thrown out on a double play made by Ashley Beers. With two outs the next Lady Bear batter got on from a Lady Rebel fielding error but she was picked off at second base on a throw from Erica Williams at catcher to short stop Kim Ross at second. At bat the Lady Rebels struggled. The first two batters struck out and the third flew out to the pitcher.

In the top of the 6th the Lady Rebs again got 3 up 3 down on a Bryant at third throw to Daniels at first and two throws from Molly Hare at pitcher to Daniels at first. In the bottom of the inning the Lady Rebels left Carder and Williams on base for no scores.

Going into the final inning with the Lady Bears still up 2-1 the Lady Rebels again quickly got 3 outs on a fly to Kim Shirley in left field, a throw from Ross to Daniels and a fly to Beers at second. It was the Lady Rebels final at bat and Michelle Bryant was the lead off hitter slamming a

base hit. Ashley Beers was thrown out at first on a sacrifice bunt to move Bryant bringing Kim Shirley up to bat where she drove the ball to the field for a base hit to score Bryant. Score 2-2. Tina Carder made base on a base hit and Erica Williams laid down the bunt to make first, however, they were left on base when a fly to third and a pitcher to first got the final outs.

Into the overtime 8th inning two Lady Bears were put out on throws from Ross at short stop to Daniels at first. The next Lady Bear made base on an error in left field but the next ball hit was fielded cleanly by Kim Shirley in left field to bring the Lady Rebels in. At bat the Lady Rebels couldn't make base. A fly to second, second to first ground out and a strike out sent the two teams into the 9th inning.


In the top of 9 the Lady Rebs awesome defense did its job. A fly to Carder in center, Beers to Daniels throw and a fly out to Ross at short stop ended the Lady Bears at bat. At bat the Lady Rebels had Ashley Beers up first and she did her job with a base hit. Kim Shirley followed with a 2 base hit. With Beers and Shirley on Carder was fanned out for 1 but Williams followed to load the bases on a walk. The hit of the day came from Molly Hare who drove the ball to center field to score Beers and ending the game 3-2 Lady Rebels.

The Lady Rebels have 2 losses thus far in district play this season which came from DeKalb and Chapel Hill. They improved their record by defeating the Lady Bears and now must defeat Chapel Hill to make it into a top play off position. Great game Lady Rebels and Good Luck!!

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Junior High Lady Rebels place 2nd in District

The Junior High Lady Rebel Track and Field team competed in the District 17-2A Meet April 3, 2001 at Hughes Springs Mustang stadium. The team placed 2nd overall. Coaches Tammie Case and Debbie Williams were very pleased with the effort and sportsmanship displayed by each athlete. Coach Case said, "This year has been very successful for the Junior High program. We have a lot of good girls who believe that hard work pays off and is does!" The teams competed under an "A" and "B" team situation. "A" team results were as follows:

2000 meter run: Nikki O'Donnell-3rd place.
400 meter relay: Whitney Savage, Johna Ingram, Mandy Crawford and Cassandra Norman-5th place.
800 meter run: Kerri Simmons-2nd place and Jill Shirley-6th place.
800 meter relay: Whitney Savage, Mandy Crawford, Jessica Griffin and

Cassandra Norman-4th place.

100 meter hurdles: Cassie McCuller-1st place; Kasey Hammonds-2nd place and Kendra Birchfield-4th place.

100 meter dash: Whitney Savage-4th place and Cassandra Norman-5th place.

400 meter run: Johna Ingram-4th place.
200 meter run: Kasey Hammonds-6th place.

1200 meter run: Nikki O'Donnell-1st place; Kerri Simmons-4th place and Tracy Galloway-6th place.

1600 meter relay: Jill Shirley, Johna Ingram, Kendra Birchfield and Kasey Hammonds-2nd place.

300 meter hurdles: Kendra Birchfield-1st place and Cassie McCuller-2nd place.

High Jump: Johna Ingram-2nd place.
Long Jump: Kasey Hammonds-

2nd place.

Triple Jump: Kasey Hammonds-1st place.

Shot Put: Laci Hinton-5th place and Kendra Birchfield-6th place.

Discus: Leslie Richeson-3rd place and Laci Hinton-4th place.

Placing for the Lady Rebel "B" team were:

Discus: Tiffany Giles-6th place.
800 meter relay: Katie Ward, Crystal Howerton, Sarah Hare and Dawn Wilson-5th place.

400 meter relay: Katie Ward, Sarah Hare, Misti Richeson and Crystal Howerton-6th place.

400 meter run-Katie Ward-3rd place.

The Lady Rebels will now go into their off season program they will be dismissed each day to ride the route bus home. Congratulations girls on a good year!!!

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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.

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.

Bogata Public Library/Museum
The Bogata Public Library/Museum is open each Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and each Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. 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.

April 13
Donnette and Matthew Parrott and children will be honored with a house warming Friday, April 13, 2001 at their new home located at the corner of FM 1896 and Hwy. 271 south of Talco beginning at 5:30 p.m. At 6:30 p.m. guests will be served a meal. The couple are registered at Mason's Hardware and Calvert's Gardens in Mt. Pleasant.

April 16
The Rivercrest Elementary PTO will meet April 16 at 6:00 p.m. in the Rivercrest High School cafeteria. All parents and guardians are invited to attend.


April 16-17-18
Revival services will be held at Harris Chapel Missionary Baptist Church in Sugar Hill beginning at 7:00 p.m. nightly.

April 20
5th six week report cards will be sent out April 20 from Bogata School.

April 24-27
The Rivercrest School District will be given their TAAS Test on April 24 through April 27. Students should get plenty of rest and eat a good breakfast before taking their tests.

April 30
The Talco/Bogata Gifted and Talented students will go on a field trip to Arlington on Monday, April 30, 2001. For more information contact Counselor, Karla Palmer at either Talco or Bogata School.

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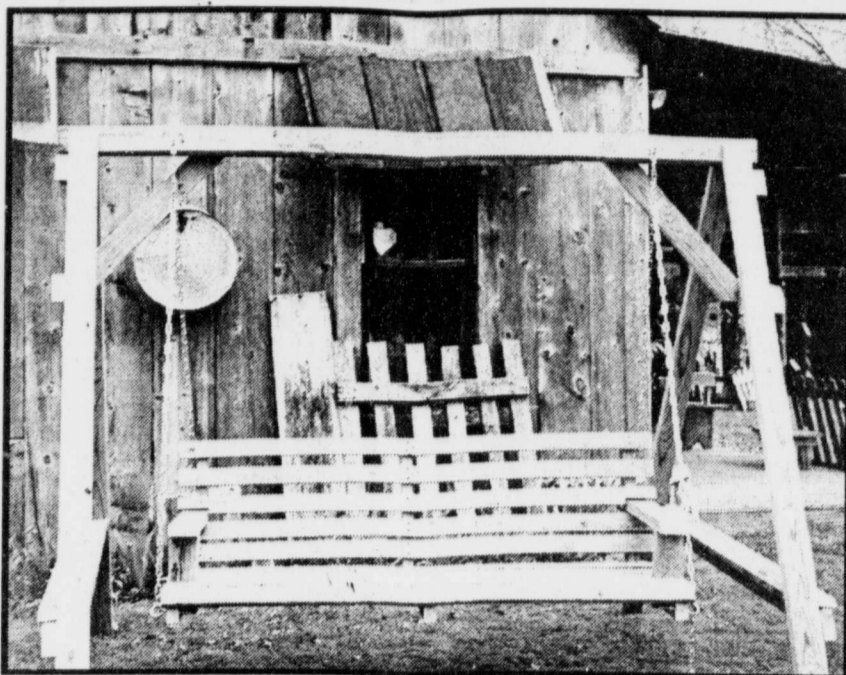
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The Talco Sugar Baker will begin raising funds for the American Cancer Relay for Life. They will accept \$1 donations and a drawing will be held for an Outdoor Swing. The swing has been donated by Cackleberry's and Attention Collec-

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Rivercrest competes at DeKalb

The Rivercrest Lady Rebels and Rebels competed at the DeKalb Track and Field Meet on April 7, 2001. Competing for the Lady Rebels were: 800 meter run-Nikki Jones 100 meter dash-Tina Carder who finished with a time of 15:45. 100 meter hurdles-Michelle Bryant who finished with a time of 20:64. 300 meter hurdles-Michelle Bryant who finished with a time of 56:9. 200 meter run-Charla Hines who finished with a time of 29:4. 1600 meter relay team-Charla Hines, Tina Carder, Nikki Jones and Michelle Bryant. Long Jump-Charla Hines with a 13'7 jump and Michelle Bryant. Triple Jump-Michelle Bryant with a 28'10 and Tina Carder with a 26'9.

Shot Put-Jamie Daniels with a 27' throw and Molly Moles with a 19' throw. Discus-Jamie Daniels with a 85'10 throw and Molly Moles. In the boys JV division the following received places: Cody Cheatwood-2nd place in the pole vault. Marcus Deming-3rd place in the 800 meter run. Chance Crawford-6th place in the 110 hurdles. In the Varsity division, Rebel Brandon Buchanan took 2nd place in the 800 meter run. The District Meet this year will be held at Paul Pewitt. Go Lady Rebels and Rebels!!!

Hypocrisy-- prejudice with a halo.
---Ambrose Bierce



JERRY TAYLOR visited the Rivercrest High School campus last week. Mr. Taylor is a motivational speaker and encouraged the students to realize their full potential. Mr. Taylor who is disabled is the only person to have jogged across America a total of 3500 miles and has been recognized by President Ronald Reagan, featured by Paul Harvey and recognized by Dr. Norman Vincent Peale for his accomplishments. (Photo by Joan Mabry)

Rebels compete at Mt. Vernon

The Rivercrest Rebel Track and Field team traveled to Mt. Vernon March 30, 2001 for competition. The team placed 3rd overall in the meet behind Mt. Vernon and New Boston and ahead of Pittsburg, Prairiland and Clarksville. In the Varsity division boys competing and places were as follows: 1600 meter relay: Brandon Buchanan, Myron Ellis, Nathan Carroll and Chance Wolfe-2nd place. 110 hurdles: Heath Hinton-3rd place and Brandon Davis-4th place. 400 meter run: Chance Wolfe-5th place. 300 meter hurdles: Heath Hinton-3rd place and Brandon Davis-4th place. 800 meter run: Brandon Buchanan-2nd place and Marcus Deming-5th place. Shot Put: Zach Ward-1st place and Dustin Jones-4th place. Triple Jump: Chance Wolfe-6th place. High Jump: Michael Galloway-

2nd place and Kerry Posey-5th place. In the JV Division the following Rebels placed giving the team an overall 3rd place behind Pittsburg and Mt. Vernon and ahead of Clarksville, New Boston and Prairiland. 1600 meter relay: Calan Wilcox, Justin Tucker, Steve Shade and Donny Taylor-3rd place. 110 hurdles: Chance Crawford-4th place. 100 meter dash: Justin Tucker-6th place. 400 meter run: Donny Taylor-6th place. 300 meter hurdles: Chance Crawford-3rd place. 1600 meter run: Josh Weatherall-6th place. 800 meter run: Steve Shande-3rd place and Josh Weatherall-6th place. Triple Jump: Josh Weatherall-4th place and Justin Tucker-5th place. Long Jump: Justin Tucker-6th place. Pole Vault: Cody Cheatwood-1st place. Great job Rebels!!



RESIDENT OF THE MONTH for the month of April at Red River Healthcare in Bogata is Dorothy Posey. Dorothy is the oldest of two children born to Mack and Tommie Barton in Red River County. She married Paul Posey in 1944 and the couple had no children. She was employed at RRH as a housekeeper for 8 years until her health made it necessary to quit. Dorothy enjoys playing bingo, attending church and music programs and dancing. She is very helpful in getting other residents to and from activities and helping them play bingo. She has been part of RRH's family since November 1999 and has one sister, Margaret Smith of Bogata. Red River Healthcare is proud to have her as a resident.

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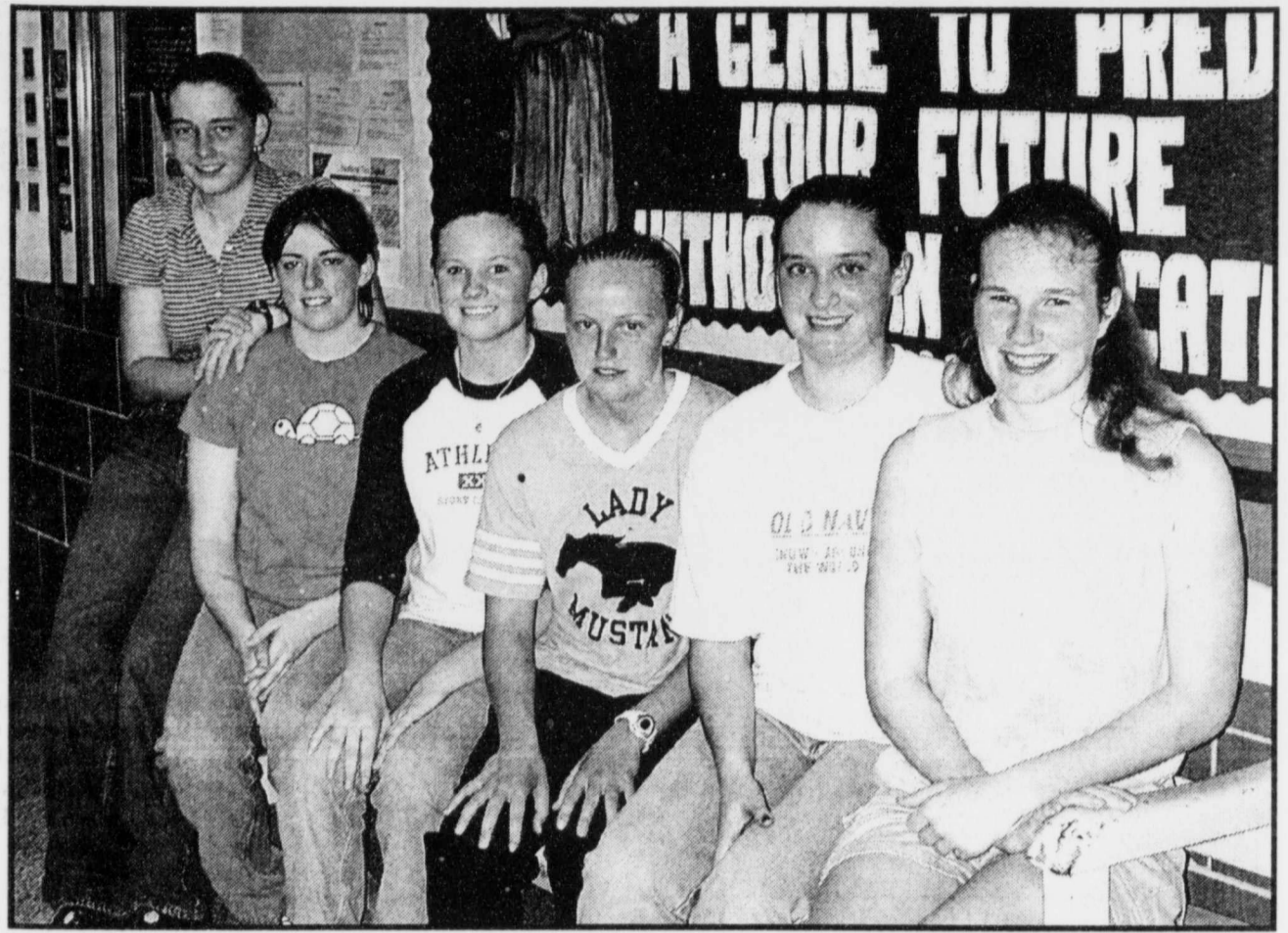
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The education of man is never complete until he dies.
...Robert E. Lee (1807-1870)



FIRST PLACE DISTRICT-The Rivercrest Lady Rebel golf team brought home the 1st place trophy from the district meet held Monday, April 2, 2001. Also taking an individual 1st place was team member Michelle Bryant. Pictured are; (from the left back) Krystal Valenzuela, Rachel Case, Alison Foster, Jessica Rose, Michelle Bryant and (front) Danielle Easterling. Congratulations girls!!! (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



ALL DISTRICT LADY REBELS-Rivercrest Lady Rebels receiving All District honors this year were: (from the left) Kim Ross-First Team; Cheryl Griffin-Second Team; Rachel Case-Honorable Mention; Kim Shirley-Offensive Player of the Year; Erica Williams-Newcomer of the Year and All District Academic-Jennifer Hays. Kim Shirley and Erica Williams also made the Academic All District Team. Congratulations girls!! (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



WINNSBORO VFW Post Commander Terry Rowe is pictured presenting six Rivercrest girls with savings bonds for being finalists in the "Voice of Democracy" contest. Winning 1st place and receiving a \$75 bond was Kessa Smith. Placing and receiving \$50 bonds were Jennifer Hays, Shelly Hollis, Kara Palmer, Kim Shirley and Kasey Crawford. Congratulations girls!!! (Photo by Joan Mabry)

RHS students enter Voice of Democracy contest

Rivercrest students in Mrs. Ginger Foster's Advanced Placement English class entered the V.F.W.'s "Voice of Democracy" contest recently.

Since the local V.F.W. post did not have a contest, the Winnsboro V.F.W. Post graciously agreed to sponsor the Rivercrest students essays. Five girls, Kara Palmer, Shelly Hollis, Kim Shirley, Jennifer Hays and Kasey Crawford

were finalist and were awarded a \$50.00 savings bond from the Winnsboro Post.

Kessa Smith was the 1st place winner and received a \$75.00 savings bond. The Post Commander, Terry Rowe, came to Rivercrest last week to present the girls with their awards. Congratulations girls!!!



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Kari Jones of Oklahoma is visiting this week with her grandparents, Johnny and Karen Jones.

Rachel Smith was honored with a birthday party/sleep over by her parents, Chuck and Wanda Graf, Katherine and Susan Monday night at their home in Maple Springs. Attending and enjoying birthday cake and overnight fun were Laura Bevil, Torrie Grissom, Brooke Hale, Jasmine Hodge and Carissa Carroll. Rachel received many nice gifts.

Nicole Blalock enjoyed a visit with 6 sorority sisters in Dallas over the weekend. The no husbands, no kids time was fun for all.

Ashley Blalock visited over the weekend with her grandparents, John and Nancy Robinson in Tyler.

Scott and Mason Blalock enjoyed a father/son weekend last week. They visited Ray and Linda Blalock in Sugar Hill and Frances Scott in Mt. Pleasant.

Enjoying visiting with T.J. Williams and Tommie and attending an Easter Egg Hunt in Kilgore Saturday were Judy Easley, John, Regina, Tyler and Austin Easley, Tim Easley, Craig, Tiffany and Callie Easley. Judy, Tim, John, Regina, Tyler and Austin stayed

for an overnight visit with the Williams.

The Talco Park Committee reports making over \$800.00 on their bar-b-que lunch sale last week. The money earned will go toward the Annual Easter Egg Hunt to be held April 14, 2001 in the park.

Shirley Duncan, Melissa Jones, Miriah, Jordan, Jerico and Noah all of Denver, Colorado are visiting this week with Donnette and Matthew Parrott, Dakota and Croix, Wade and Donna Wright, Morgan and Malorie and other family and friends.

Johnny and Karen Jones and granddaughter, Kari and Marta Rhoades attended the junior high track meet in Chisum Friday. They enjoyed seeing Jesi Navia participate with the Winfield team.

Nancy Brown and Robert Caul Rhoades enjoyed shopping in Paris

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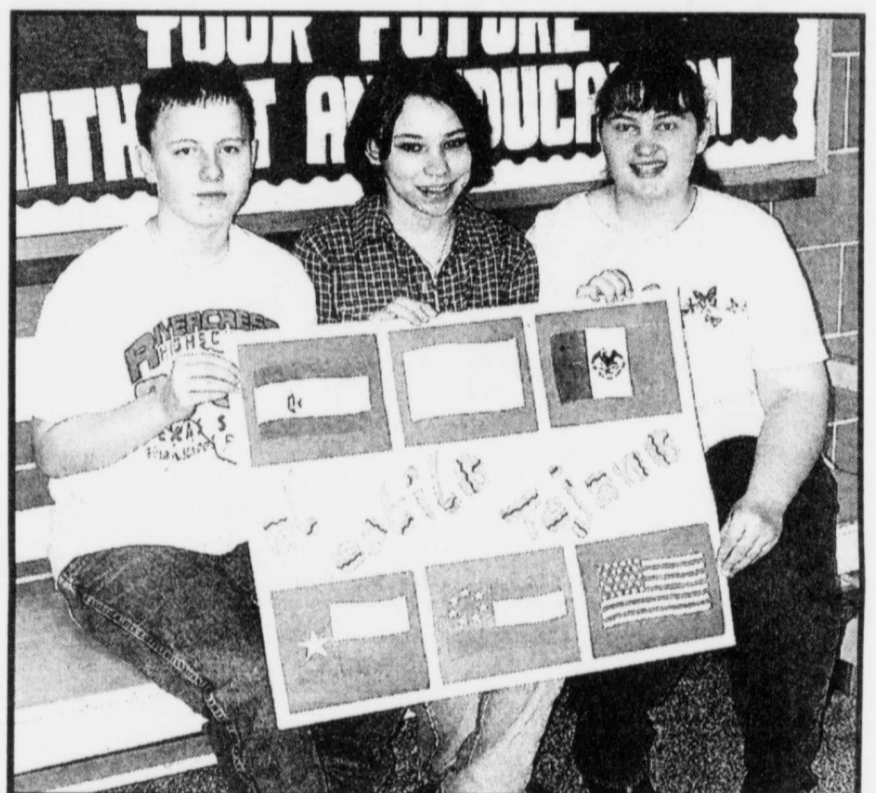
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Friday afternoon.

Happy April birthday to: Amie Burger.

Happy Anniversary to Jessie and Kenderly Woods.

Baseball/softball summer league action has begun at the Talco ball park. Come out and support your favorite team.



RIVERCREST PASF-members Tim Carder, Candace Davis and Shelly Hollis are pictured with their poster entered in the State Convention competition in San Antonio last weekend. The theme this year was "Al Estilo Tejano" or "A Texas Style" which the students carried out with the six flags that have flown over Texas, along with some historical information on each time period. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Rivercrest students attend PASF state convention

The Rivercrest Pan-American Student Forum attended the State Convention in San Antonio last weekend. The club members attended workshops, took tests and entered the poster contest.

This year's theme for the poster contest was "Al Estilo Tejano" or "A Texas Style". One RHS committee was made up of Shelly Hollis, Candace Davis and Tim Carder whose poster portrayed the six flags that

have flown over Texas, along with some historical information on the time period. The other committee was Megan Horn and Jennifer Hays whose poster showed the flag of Texas, cowboy boot, sombrero and armadillo along with a lariat. Their poster portrayed items from Texas. Both posters represented the theme well. 15 students along with their teacher, Pam Hays and other sponsors attended.

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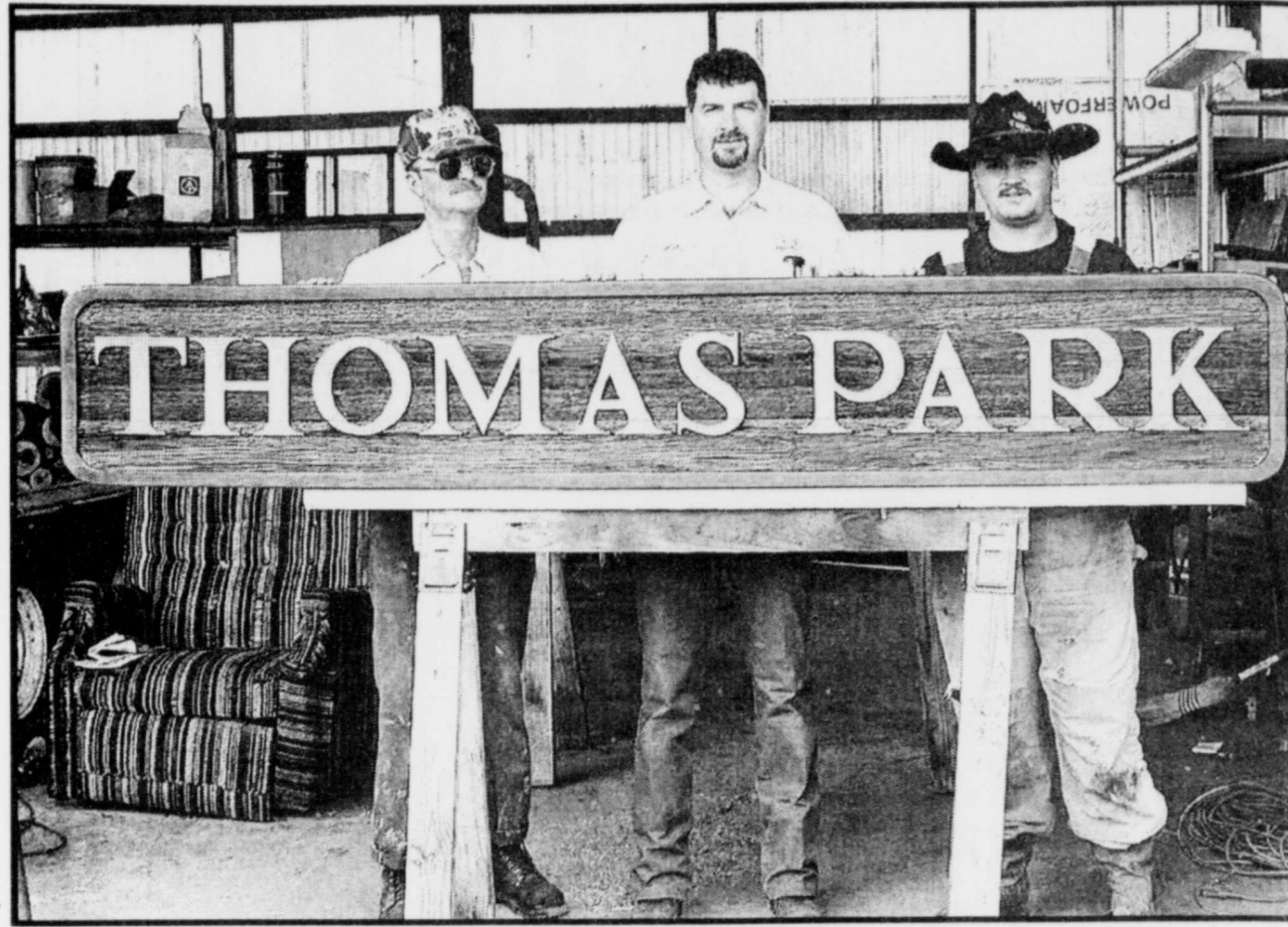
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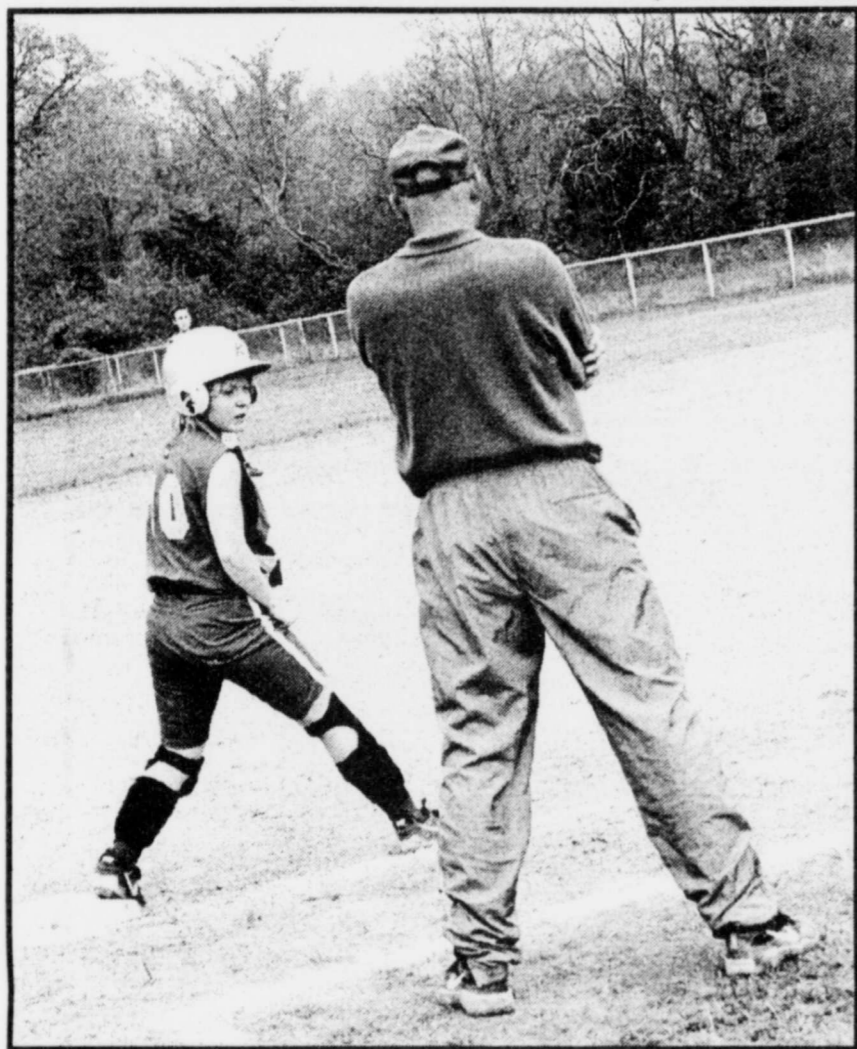
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TINA CARDER-looks to Coach Brandon Oats for the sign to steal home as the Lady Rebels met the Lady Bears of DeKalb. The Lady Bears defeated the Lady Rebs in their first meeting but in their second the Lady Rebels took the win after 9 innings of play. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Red River County Sheriff's Report
April 1-7

April 1: Minor accident on FM911 south of Avery; male arrested on warrant for theft by check; civil matter; report of activated alarm; male arrested on violation of probation x2 and contempt of court from Lubbock County; male arrested on charges of driving while license suspended, evading arrest, CPD warrants x4 and Lamar County warrant; suspicious vehicle in Detroit; cattle complaint on FM1701 west; suspicious vehicle in Annona.

April 2: Minor accident on Hwy. 37 south of Clarksville; burglary of habitation in Crystal Lake area; burglary of motor vehicle south of Clarksville; inmate released to McCurtain County on their warrant; female arrested on warrant for forgery; male arrested on charge of assault; trespassing in Manchester.

male arrested on charge of possession of marijuana under 2 oz.; female arrested on charge of possession of marijuana under 2 oz., unlawful carrying of weapon; inmate released on bail; assist Bogata PD on report of missing child.

April 4: Cattle complaint on FM909; cattle complaint on Hwy. 37 north; male arrested on charge of driving while license suspended; inmate released to Bowie County on their charge; burglary of building west of Clarksville; welfare concern in Detroit; U.S. Marshal transported inmate to await court date; suspicious vehicle in Avery; male arrested on Bowie County warrants for theft.

April 5: Female arrested on Wood County warrant for motion to revoke probation/theft; male arrested on warrant for violation of probation/burglary of a building; minor accident on Hwy. 82 west of Detroit; report of telephone harassment; cattle complaint on Hwy. 37 north; inmate



FUN TIME-Talco students are pictured enjoying the swings at the Talco Park following their school Easter Egg hunts held Monday. All the students found eggs and candy and had fun in the park before returning to school to be dismissed for spring break. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



EASTER came early to Red River Healthcare on Saturday, April 7, 2001 with a visit from the Easter Bunny, a.k.a. Mary Ellen Kain. Treats were passed out and resident Hugh Forrester even received a hug from the visiting bunny.

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To the registered voters of Detroit, Texas:

Notice is hereby given that the polling place listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 5, 2001, for the voting in a general election to elect one (1) Mayor and two (2) council members to serve two (2) year term.

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Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at the Detroit City Hall between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. beginning Wednesday, April 18, 2001 and ending on May 1, 2001.

Issued this 10th day of April, 2001.
Kim Maynard, City Secretary
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PUBLIC NOTICE
Due to the December ice storm, Pattonville Water Supply, ID#139001 failed to collect the required number of bacteriological samples for coliform monitoring of the water distribution system during December, 2000.

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FAIR HOUSING PROCLAMATION

The City of Bogata has proclaimed the month of April as "Fair Housing Month." The City of Bogata endorses and supports the principle of fair housing and encourages all citizens to support the law of the land in regard to the right of every person to have access to adequate housing of his choice.

Copies of the City's Proclamation are available free of charge to any interested person or groups at City Hall.
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Rivercrest HS Track & Field

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9	Paul Pewitt	Boys and Girls
16	Rivercrest	Boys and Girls
24	Rains	Boys and Girls
30	Mt. Vernon	Boys and Girls
April		
12	Paul Pewitt District	Boys and Girls
20	TBA Regional Qualifiers	Boys and Girls
27-28	Palestine Regionals	Boys and Girls
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11-12	Austin State	Boys and Girls

Junior High Track & Field

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16	Rivercrest	Boys and Girls
23	Hughes Springs	Boys and Girls
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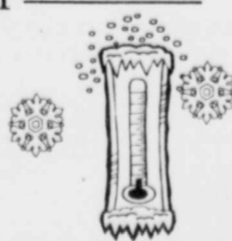
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Speakers announced for Resource meeting

Red River County Community Resource Association guest speakers for the Thursday, April 19 meeting will be Luwana Rider, Community Health Education Specialist, Texas A&M and Dee Salmon, MSHP, Regional Manager, Texas Department of Health.

The meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m. in the community room in the

First National Bank of Clarksville. If you wish to attend any of the monthly meetings, there are no membership fees and the meetings are kept casual and informal.

If you have questions or would like further information, contact Laurie Pryor Monday through Thursday at the Lennox Health Resource Center, 428-8500.

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