

Science Changes Advertising! Have you noticed that science has even changed commercials?

Many years ago there was an advertisement for a very well-known hair color.

The slogan was "Color So Natural, Only Her Hairdresser Knows for Sure". It ran for a long time (that was back when slogans lasted longer than a week), and was familiar enough that there was a whole generation of jokes based on it.

I remember reading an article in a doctor's office magazine that the company have vacillated between "Only her hairdresser knows for sure" and "Only her mother knows for sure".

Years later, I think they actually used the "Only her mother" ad, with a young looking mom with a younger looking daughter.

Well, this same company has a new slogan.

"Hair So Natural You'd Think My DNA Did It".

DNA did it! While we all know exactly what the ad means, how many years ago has it been that we didn't have a clue about something like DNA?

Hasn't been that long, has it?

That put me in my thinking mode, about how science and technological advances have changed the way we think, live and work.

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Palm computers, we use the internet to answer questions from the minor to the very significant.

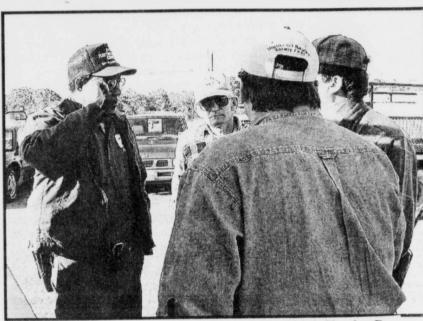
Hard physical labor has taken a back seat to brain power, and medicine keeps us going longer and stronger than ever before!

Talco Times Thursday, April 13, 2001 TALCO, TITUS COUNTY, TEXAS 65TH YEAR, No. 23

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NIGHT TIME BUST- A "Meth" drug lab was raided Tuesday night, April. 17th in Bogata. Four arrests were made in a joint effort between the Bogata Police Department and the Drug Task Force. According to Chief Charles Clegg of the Bogata PD, the arrests were part of an ongoing investigation. They took place at a house .6 of amile on Hwy. 37 S. Shown discussing the matter from right are Agent Powell, Officer John Davidson of Bogata PD, Bogata Chief Clegg and Thomas Nichols of Thunder Prairie Publishing. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)





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**COMMAND DISCUSSIONS-Bogata Fire Chief Charles Don** Lewis (foreground), Bogata Fireman Charlie Hines, left, Talco VFD Randy Hollis along with another Bogata Fireman discuss possibilities for expanding the search for a missing nursing home resident in Bogata Tuesday evening. The man was located after nearly a two hour search door to door. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)

## 160 search for elderly man in Bogata

One hundred and sixty people and nine volunteer fire departments took part in a massive search for a missing elderly man Tuesday afternoon. The man, a resident at Red River Healthcare in Bogata, apparently managed to wander away from the facility. The search began at about 5:00 p.m. and Bogata Volunteer Fire Department set up a command center and began a systematic, ever -widening sweep of the area. As more and more people began to pour in to fully. assist with the search the scope was

increased and the depth of the search intensified until volunteers were going door to door asking if anyone had seen an elderly man in green jogging pants and a red cap, walking with a cane. Soon private citizens and young people on bicycles were looking too.

The man was located on Roachtown Road and South Main at about 7:30 p.m., cold and wet but apparently not seriously hurt. He was transported to a hospital to be checked over care-



Ads for internet services and companies probably outnumber all the other ads put together.

Another amazing thing I noticed at the nursery the other day...soils specifically blended to weed, feed and provide defense from pests . Wow!

Anyway, if you will ponder on ads and your life I think you'll come up with several phrases or scenarios which wouldn't have been possible just a few years ago...back when DNA sounded like the initials for a fund raising association instead of the key to our genetic makeup.

## 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 informatin contact the school at 903-632-5204.

**DID YOU KNOW Volunteer Fire** Departments that have First Responders have found that 50% to 75% of their calls are now Medical

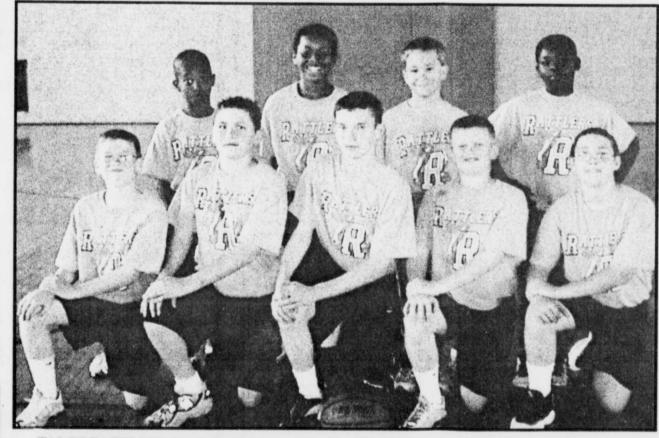
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TALCO STUDENT COUNCIL-members and sponsor, Tammie Case presented Princiapal, Bill Mabry with new flags for the new Elementary School at Rivercrest Monday. The group earned funds through various activities and have used them to provide several items for the schools this year. Pictured are; (from the left) Mr. Mabry, Cyndi Blankenship, Clinton Vandever, Whitney Savage, McKenzie Ellis and Coach Case. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



TALCO RATTLERS-The Talco Rattlers coached by Kip Stansell competed in the Chapel Hill-Harts Bluff-Winfield Little Dribbler League this year. They played 14 games and lost only 2. In the end of the season tournament held at Harts Bluff the boys took a 3rd place overall. Congratulations on a great season!! Pictured are; (from the left back row) Derek Morris, Alex Savage, Aaron Gage and Dewayne Sanders and (front from the left) Chris Nolen, Jeremy Moore, Andrew Deaton, Destry Nolen and Cole Birchfield.

An optimist is one who makes the best of it when he gets the worst of it.

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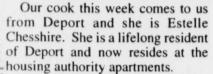
JO ANSCHUTZ HOLDS-the basket full of names as Toni Anderson did the honors of drawing the winner of the Easter basket given away by the Talco Guaranty Bank Friday, April 13, 2001. The lucky name drawn was Ali Williams of DeKalb. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



EDDIE BROWN HOLDS-the chance bag while Karen Jones holds little Myeshia Pogue up to draw the winner of a beautiful Boston fern given away by the Talco Baseball/Softball Inc. Saturday at the Talco Park Easter Egg Hunt. The lucky winner was Margie Merrill who bought her ticket from Colby Chitsey. The beautiful plant was donated by Calvert Gardens in Mt. Pleasant. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

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Country Cooking By Liz Irwin http://tpp.1starnet.com/



She enjoys cooking and attending to her flowers in her small garden around her apartment.

We appreciate her sharing her recipes with us this week and we will see you in the kitchen!

Mandarin-Orange Chicken Salad-using canned chicken, add the mandarin oranges and apples, pecans if you like and it is a great dish!

Apple Sauce Cake-add applesauce to a plain yellow cake mix and you have a moist, delicious cake that anyone would love to teat! Ham Casserole-chopped ham

combined with egg noodles and sour cream, topped with cheese, a meal in itself

**Chicken-Egg Noodle Casserole**use canned chicken or fresh chicken that is boiled and taken off the bone for a simple, easy quick recipe!

Macaroni and Cheese-that old standby that everyone likes, but Mrs. Chesshire says to be sure and use Velveeta. It makes it creamy and delicious!

Mexican Casserole-this one is a hit with everybody and not that hard to make!

Pineapple-Apricot Salad-orange jello, crushed pineapple and apricot baby food combined to make a delicious salad for the upcoming warm weather!

Macaroni and Cheese Casserole

Cook macaroni as directed; drain. In

Mexican Casserole

Brown together onion and meat; strain

and set aside. Heat in large pan until

hot, remaining ingredients except cheese

and tortillas.. Line casserole dish with

tortillas or corn chips of your coice.

Pour meat and sauce mixture and spread

2 pounds ground beef

I can green chilis

I can chicken soup

I large can Pet milk

l can mushroom soup

I can Ro-Tel tomatoes

l can enchilada sauce

I pound Velveeta cheese

1 onion

drained

Deport Trades Day!

May 5th, Main St., Deport

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#### Thursday, April 19, 2001 **Estelle Chesshire-Deport**

Mandarin Orange Chicken Salad 12 ounces macaroni 2-10 ounce cans chicken 2 pounds Velveeta cheese apple /4 cup sweet relish or pickles 1/2 cup milk small cna mandarin oranges casserole dish, put a layer of macaroni 1/4 cup onion 14 cup mayonnaise and slices of velveeta cheese and sprinkle with sugar. Continue layering /4 cup nuts-optional Drain oranges and reserve juice. Comuntil all ingredients are used. Then pour on milk. Bake at 350 degrees until ine all ingredients, except mayonnaise. cheese melts. Mix juice with mayonnaise and gradu-

ally pour over other ingredients and toss lightly. Apple Sauce Cake

box plain yellow cake mix box instant vanilla pudding 1/3 cup oil 1/3 cup sour cream leggs cup apple sauce cup pecans-optional Mix oil, sour cream and beat well. corn tortillas Add eggs one at a time. Gradually add cake mix and pudding mix. Stir well.

Bake one hour at 350 degrees Ham Casserole 2cups cooked ham 8 ounces medium noodles can celery soup 2 cup chopped green peppers /2 cup chopped onion cup sour cream

cups cheese Cook noodles according to directions; train. Add all other ingredients. Place n casserole dish and bake at 350 degrees or 30 minutes.

Chicken - Egg Noodle Casserole cups cut-up chicken 6 ounces egg noodles can chicken broth can chicken soup

**COOK OF THE WEEK is** Estelle Chesshire of Deport. Mrs. Chesshire enjoys cooking and being outside with her flowers and plants. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

## YWCA prepares for art auction

The YWCA of Paris and Lamar County is preparing for the celebrity art auction and dinner to be held on May 4.

The auction will be held Friday night, one week prior to the 2001 Art Festival scheduled for Saturday, May 12 at the fair grounds.

The dinner will be authentic Mexican food and Margaritas.

Tickets for the auction/dinner are \$15.00. They may be purchased from the YWCA and from board members.

If you would like to contribute original art work for the auciton, call 785-5221.

#### Isbell reunion

#### planned for May 26

The annual Isbell family reunion will be held Saturday, May 26 at the American Legion Hall in Deport, beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Tickets are \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children.

A dedication ceremony for the Mt Pleasant Cemetery will be held at 3 p.m. following the reunion.

#### Video presentation set at PJC

"How to Interview and Hire the Right People" will be presented Wednesday, April 25 from 9:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. in the Alford Center on the PJC campus.

The free three-part video preser tation will give copmplete professional training in how to select employees who will contribute most positively to a specific organization. To register, contact Continuing

#### **Red River** County Roots

Thursday, April 19, 2001

This week's query is from Joe Gold, 4230 Sotol Drive, Las Cruces, NM 88011. He needs information or Sallie E. Mooney, wife of M.C. Mooney, Sallie died September 3. 1886 at age 32. She is bured in Old Shamrock Cemetery, Red River County. He would like to know if the couple had any children or relatives who survived them. What was Sallie's cause of death?

If you have a query you would like o have placed in this column, please send it to the Red River County Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 516, Clarksville, Texas 75426

#### Card of Thanks

We would like to thank everyone for their calls, cards, food, flowers,

kindness and concern during the loss of our loved one, Betty Ruth Dodd. God bless you,

Sim E. Dodd & Family

#### Card of Thanks Dear Friends,

It would be impossible to personally thank all those who prayed, brought flowers, sent cards, called and offered to assist us in our business during James' hospital stay. Please use this thank you note as a special hug of love and appreciation. To Dr. Ganguly and his staff, to ETMC Clarksville Hospital and their staff, especially Linda Tabb and to ETMC Tyler, we say thank you. Extra ordinary thanks to Dr. Brooks for his efforts and advise, to our minister Kenny Dickson, your presence and words of comfort always heal and to Neil and Frances Fozell, who always hold our hands through the good and bad times.

Most of all, to anyone who thinks they may have a heart problem, don't wait! Get lucky like us by getting help immediately. Don't put off getting cured by dying. Our love,

#### The James Wood Family

#### Card of Thanks

The family of Gary Lynn Smith would like to thank all the friends, neighbors, and family members in and around the community of Deport for their many acts of kindness during Gary's long illness and recent death

Maybe you sent flowers, or brought food. Maybe you stopped by to see about Mr. Smith. Maybe you said a special prayer. All these things brought comfort to the grieving hearts of this family.

## Obituaries

#### dies April 10

Fred Mead

Fred Mead, age 72 of Bogata died in Red River Healthcare Center on Tuesday, April 10.

Funeral services were held Friday, April 13 at 2:00 p.m. in the chapel of Red River Healthcare Center. Burial was in Smith Cemetery. Wood Funeral Home had charge of arrangements

Mr. Mead was born September 16, 1928. He married the former Minnie Lucille Sisson on December 5, 1979. He was a retired ranch worker.

Surviving ae his wife, Lucille Mead of Bogata; two sons, Jerry and Micky; a stepson, Ronnie; daughters, Kay, Sandy, Patty and Jeanette; two stepdaughters, Marcie and Connie; brothers, Raymond and Sherman; three sisters, Katherine, Treva and Carilynn; numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

#### Robert W. Giddens

dies Aril 14

Robert W. "Shorty" Giddens, age 78 of Talco died April 14 at his residence.

Services were held Tuesday, April 17 at 2:00 p.m. in the Calvary Baptist Church in Talco with Rev. Britt Castle and Rev. Rex Jackson officiating. Burial followed in City Cemetery in Mt. Vernon under the direction of Harvey Funeral Home of Mt. Vernon. Mr. Giddens was born March 4,

1923 in Mt. Vernon, a son of Ruben and Lillie Weatherford Giddens.

He taught school for 42 years in Talco and was a veteran of World War II. He was a member of Good Sam's Club.

Surviving are his wife of 54 years, Bobbie Giddens of Talco; a son and his wife, Terry and Martha Giddens of Beckville; a daughter and her husband, Sandy and Steve Upchurch of Farmersville; a brother, Billy Giddens of Franklin, TN; grandchildren, Shanna Upchurch of Dallas, Scott Upchurch of College Station, Blair Giddens of Beckville, Brianne Giddens of Beckville and Bret Giddens of Beckville

Bearers were Don Giddens, Robert Giddens, Alan Giddens, Rex Giddens, Scott Upchurch, Danny Giddens. Good Sam's Camp Group served as honorary bearers.

#### Card of Thanks

I would like to take this time to thank everyone for your help with the Easter Egg hunt that was held April 7. It is so wonderful to live in a place where everyone can work together. The egg hunt was a great success. I would especially like to thank my husband James Eilers, for counting the 1,500 eggs numerous times for me, for Mary Ellen Kain for being our Easter Bunny and for Latonya Miller, Stephanie Purviance and Marla Ballard for being in charge of the different age groups. I also would like to thank all the parents and grandparents who brought the chil-



#### Betty Ruth Dodd Betty Ruth Dodd dies April 13

Betty Ruth Dodd, age 66 of Johntown, died Friday, April 13 in the Christus St. Joseph Healthcenter. Wood Funeral Homes conducted graveside services at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, April 16 at Bogata Cemetery

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Mrs. Dodd was born December 18, 1934 in Chandler, TX, the daughter of W.N. and Mamie Wimbish Matthews. She married S.E. Dodd on October 20, 1951 in Texarkana, AR. He survives her, as do three sons, Kenny Dodd of Tyler, Shane Dodd of Paris and Russell Dodd of Commerce; one daughter, Melissa Grissom of Johntown; one granddaughter, Megan Titsworth of Johntown; a sister, Elizabeth Loyd of Pittsburg.

She was preceded in death by her parents and a brother, Larry Matthews.

Mrs. Geneva Ann Duffey

#### dies April 15

Mrs. Geneva Ann Duffey, age 51 of Cunningham, formerly of Bogata, died Sunday, April 15 at her residence.

Graveside services were held at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday at Turner Cemetery in Fulbright under the direction of Wood Funeral Home.

Mrs. Duffey was born January 25, 1950 in Deport, the daughter of Luther and Betty Brumbalow Whitaker. She was formerly a health care provider and had worked at Red River Haven Nursing Home.

She is survived by her daughters, Belinda and Clint Davis of Cunningham and Amanda and Chris Howerton of Bogata; her mother, Betty Whitaker of Bogata; two broth-

evenly. Cut up chucnks of Velveeta and push down into mixture so cheese melts into mixture. Bake at 350 degrees for 30 minutes. **Pineapple-Apricot Salad** 12 ounce can crushed pineapple-not 2-3 ounce packages orange jello 3/4 cups sugar 2 jars apricot baby food

8 ounces cream cheese 9 ounces Cool Whip pecans-optional Combine pineapple and jello in sauce



onion 2 tablespoons butter salt and pepper to taste cup cheese Cook noodles according to directions; drain. Add broth, soup, onion and cheese. Place in casserole dish and bake at 350 degrees for 20 minutes.

an. Heat until jello melts. Remove from heat and add sugar, cream cheese and baby food. Chill. Fold in Cool Whip and chill before serving.

Education at 782-0447.



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

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

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

\*All comrads are urged to attend the meeting April 23, 2001 to elect officers for next year. The support of all members is needed to keep the post strong and active.



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fort us Although we are unable to thank each and every one of you individually, we would like to say a special thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Wright, and Mrs. Kathy Holt, who sat many hours at Gary's side during

his long hospital stay. May God bless each one of you in a special way.

With deepest gratitude, The Gary Smith Family

#### Thank you, Velma Hill honored Linda Eilers

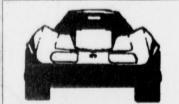
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on birthday

Velma Hill was honored with an early birthday part on Sunday. Thirty members of her family gathered at her home.

Everyone enjoyed the occasion along with a lot of good food. Velma will be 87 on April 27th.

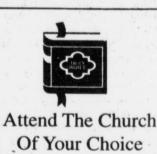




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ers, Donnie and Jimmie Whitaker, both of Bogata; asister, Nelda Jean Whitaker of Bogata; and three grandchildren, Crystal Howerton of Bogata and Ashley Ebarb and Marli Elrod of Cunningham.





SEE US FOR THAT LOAN



Denise Gaston and Jeremy Lee King

## Gaston-King to wed May 19,2001 Douglas and Lori Gaston of Howe, Grayson County College in Sherman.

Texas and Kerry and Carla King of Bells, Texas proudly announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their children, Denise Gaston and Jeremy Lee King.

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The couple will be married May 19, 2001 at three o'clock in the afternoon at the Church of Christ in Howe, Tx. Kerry King, father of the groom will officiate.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Howe High School and is presently enrolled in the School of Nursing at

## 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.



She is the granddaughter of Norl and Doris Cochran and Donald and Alice Gaston.

The prospective groom is a graduate of Bells High School and is presently enrolled in Collin County College and is employed by San Antonio Title Co. in Plano. He is the grandson of Mrs. beryl Miller and the late H.R.Miller of Bogata and Duane and Bobbye King of Paris, Tx. He is the great grandson of Jimmie King of

## Tasha Michelle Brown and John Mac Bell 99 Brown-Bell to wed May 19, 2001

Mrs. Michelle Brown of Hillsboro tric in Itasca, Tx. and Mr. Larry Brown of Purdon are pleased to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Tasha Michelle to John Mac Bell II, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mac Bell of Bogata.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Elizabeth "Sis" Alsup Eans and the late John Eans of Duncanville and also Pat Adams of Duncanville and David Brown of Purdon. She is a 1998 graduate of Rivercrest High School and is currently a junior Sociology Major and Public Relations Minor at Baylor University in Waco. She is also employed by Hilco Elec-

The prospective groom is the grandson of Faye Bell and the late Hobert Bell of Rosalie and Mr. and Mrs. O.L. Ford of Bogata. He is a 1994 graduate of Rivercrest High School and is self-employed with Bell Sand & Gravel and Propane in Rosa-

The couple will vow their love for one another on May 19, 2001 at 6 o'clock at the Beaumont Ranch in Grandview, Texas. The couple happily invites friends and family to attend the ceremony and reception to follow

would like to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their parents, Floyd B. Maynard to Nelda J. Tucker. The upcoming nuptials will be on

the twenty-first day of April, two thousand and one at two o'clock in the afternoon at the First Assembly

Steven, Amy, Shawn and Cory

#### April 24 is ACS Night

American Cancer Society night at El Chico's in Mt. Pleasant with 10% of your meal ticket being donated to the ACS by El Chico.

When the hostess seats you, be

Maynard-Tucker to wed April 21, 2001 of God Church in Bogata. Floyd is the son of Cub and Martha Ann Maynard of Detroit, Tx. and the

Nelda is the daughter of Clifton

All family and friends are cordially invited to attend.

late Ella Imogene Maynard.

and Gladys Tucker of Bogata, Tx.

Tuesday night, April 24 will be sure to tell her you are there on behalf of the ACS and Talco Sugar Bak-

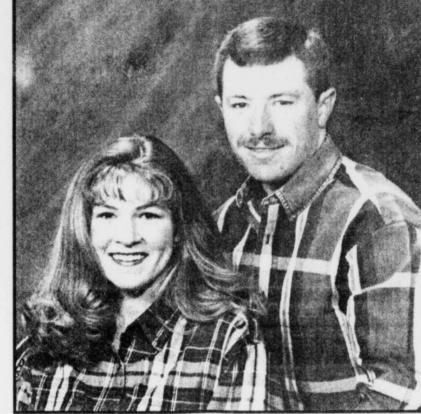
Everyone is invited to support the

effort to fight cancer.

Fulbright.







#### Dr. Anstin Room

## Heel Spur Surgery

Advances in heel spur surgery have led to fewer complications, less scarring, and quicker recovery times for patients. Heel spurs, bony growths that develop on the heel bone near the foot's arch, are a common cause of heel pain. They can occur due to highimpact exercises like running, excess weight, arthritis and poorly fitting shoes. One new surgery involves removing the spur via a tiny transverse incision on the bottom of the heel just before the arch. The podiatrist then closes the wound and places a dry, sterile dressing on the foot. No stitches, casts, splints or post operative shoes are required. Patients may choose to insert an orthotic device in their shoe to support the foot after surgery

Don't despair if surgery is recommended for your heel pain or other podiatric problem. Although the problems haven't changed all that much, podiatric procedures have greatly improved over the past few years. If your feet hurt, there's no advantage to putting it off, see your podiatrist. If you don't have one at this time, we are accepting new patients. Please call us for an appointment, DOCTOR'S FOOT CLINIC, 784-5585

OFFICE LOCATED AT 3605 N.E. LOOP 286 STE 1800 PARIS, TEXAS

P.S. A recent study found that patients were pleased with, and would recommend, the transverse incisional approach for heel spur surgery.

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BOGATA HIGH SCHOOL-graduating class of 1961 who attended this year's homecoming are: (back row from the left) Morris Floyd Trimm, Doris (Watson) Morris, Teacher, Bonnie Huddleston, Patsy (Cheatwood) Hudson, Donna Rozell, Donnie Strain, Donald Screws and Jim Stewart and (front from the left) Charles Skaggs, Charles Armstrong and Sammy Speir.

## Class of '61 holds 40 year reunion

In conjunction with the annual Bogata High School Homecoming the class of 1961 celebrated the 40th anniversary of its graduation with a class reunion in the home of Donna Rozell Saturday, April 14, 2001.

Attending other than the hostess were the following class members and guests: Morris Floyd Trimm and Neva Dell (Bond) Harville, Doris (Watson) Morris, Sid and Patsy (Cheatwood) Hudson, Donnie Strain, Donald and Judy (Roach) Screws, Jim and Mary (Bell) Stewart, Charles

## Watson tribute is April 25

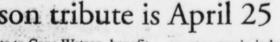
A tribute to Gene Watson, benefit for medical expenses will be held April 25 at 7 p.m. at the Paris High School Auditorium. The event is sponsored by the Red River Valley Fair Association and all proceeds will be used for Gene Watson's medical expenses.

Master of Ceremonies will be Tracy Pitcox of Brady and Wade White will serve as the back up band. All seats are general admission for

\$12.00. Tickets are on sale now. Silent and live auction items have been donated from entertainers in the

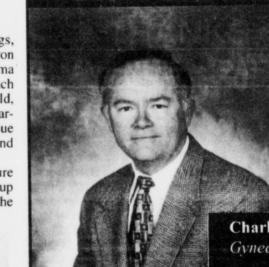
and Annette (Williams) Skaggs, Charles Armstrong, Sma and Sharon Speir, Bonnie Huddleston, Thelma Stewart Anderson, Frances Roach Rozell, Nancy Jack (Rhoads) Ewald, Robert Rhoads, David Rozell, Martha Jo (Smith) Bryson, Sharon Sue (Reynolds) Davison, Robert and Mary Ann (Vaughan) Ward.

Visiting, refreshments and picture taking were enjoyed by the group until they adjourned to attend the homecoming at the school.



country music industry. Items have been received from Alabama, Clint Black, the Blackwoods, Terri Clark, Vince Gill, Neal McCoy, Reba McEntire, Connie Smith, Marty Stuart, Barbara Fairchild, Buck Owens, Watson and many more.

Doors will open at 6 p.m. for the public to view the auction items.



For Reservations Call: 903-884-3578 Hours: Tuesday - Saturday Open at 5 p.m.

The Aroma will attract 'ya. The food will keep 'ya comin' back.

# Welcoming Dr. Charles M. Myers

CHRISTUS St. Joseph's Health System welcomes Charles M. Myers, M.D., specializing in gynecology, to its active medical staff, effective April

A former resident of Waco, Dr. Myers is board certified by the American Academy of OG/GYN and is a member of the Texas Medical Association. Dr. Myers will assume the office and practice of Richard M. Browning, M.D., at 1055 Clarksville St. Dr. Browning's patient records will remain with Dr. Myers. Appointments may be made by calling (903) 785-9551.

Charles M. Myers Gynecology

Dr. Myers has practiced obstetrics and gynecology both in Waco and in Fort Worth. A graduate of Baylor University, he attended medical school at the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston and completed his residency at Louisiana State University in Shreveport. Dr. Myers and his

wife, Saundra, have two sons, Charles, a radiology resident, and Michael, a third-year medical student.

Dr. Myers enjoys bridge, chess and astronomy.

CHRISTUS ST. JOSEPH'S Health System





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Michelle and Madison Michelle Miller New Arrivals

Bryan and Michelle Miller of Copperas Cove, Texas would like to announce the birth of their daughter, Madison Michelle Miller born April 17, 2001 weighing 8 lbs. 8 ozs and was 20 1/2 inches long. Grandparents are David Miller of Bogata, Kayla Hunter of Pittsburg, Debra Heisler of Redmond, OR. and John Hedges of Redmond, OR. Great Grandparents are G.W. and Earlene Miller of Johntown, Ken Hales of Sherman, Edna Jackson of Sherman, Clayton and JoAnne Herster of Oregon, Jack and Mildred Hedges of Oregon. Great Great Grandmother is Georgia Miller of Bogata.



HANNAH MICHELE GAGE was born March 26 weighing 6 lbs. 13 oz. at 19" long. She is the daughter of Barry and Susan Gage of Talco. Grandparents are **Stephen and Gena Gage of Talco** and Jimmy and Darlene Craig of Mt. Pleasant. Great-grandparents are Blanton and Bonnye Gage and Paul and Sue Miller of Talco and Betty Taylor of Mt. Pleasant. She joins brother Connor.

## Arthur Smith honored April 15

Charles Arthur Smith was hon-ored with a 70th birthday celebration at his home in Maple Springs by his wife, Patsy, children, Bradley and Laura Smith of Elysian Fields, Jimmy and Gaylene Smith of Arlington and Russell Smith and Vickie Craig of Talco and grandchildren, Chad of Waco, Zack and Josh Smith of Elysian Fields, Aaron Smith of Lufkin and Melanie Smith of Talco. Guests were served a delicious varity meal, birthday cake and ice cream along with many other desserts, dips, chips and drinks.

Arthur received many nice and useful gifts, one being a sure fire redneck gift, a huge white leghorn rooster complete with a red bow around his neck. Guests also enjoyed Arthur's expression when he opened

a pair of very bright colored silk boxers.

Attending and enjoying the food were: Arthur's sister, Eunice Carter of Houston, niece, Kelly Carter, nephew, Greg and Linda Carter, Clayton and Cory all of Houston, Red and Doris Logan of Sugar Hill, Kathy Nichols of Hughes Springs, Louise Smith of Cookville, Nancy Anderson of Cookville, Gerard English of Hughes Spirngs, Kody English of Winnsboro, Ann Dearmon of Mt. Vernon, Doyle and Sharon Price of Maple Springs, John and Janna Melvin, Joshua and Jayla of Bells, Shirley Whitsell and Harry Whitsell Jr. of Cookville, Cecil, Robbie and Laura Bevill and Eddie and Nancy Brown of Maple Springs.

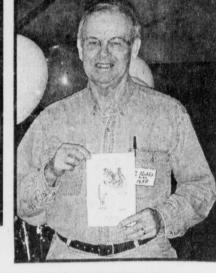


Arther Smith

Dignity does not consist in possessing honors, but in deserving them.

----Aristotle (384-322 BC)

BHS annual homecoming 2001 is now history



**GEORGE HOBBS-displays this** year's program for the annual Bogata Homecoming. Mr. Hobbs served as Master of Ceremonies for the event. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

## Class of '43 holds 58th reunion

The 1943 Bogata High School graduating class met for their 58th class reunion on Saturday, April 14 at the Lonesome Dove Restaurant in Deport

The following members and guests attended: Allene Loven-Hulen, Jimmy and Pat Hulen, Betty Jo Gibson, Joyce Seaman Clark, Mary Jane Deberry Lowry, Mary Fleming East and Glenn, Gaston Puckett and

Roberta, Mervin Childers and Gennety, Betty Ward Terryn and Fred, Lawrence Vaughan and Helen, Wm. Burton Conine, Rosalie Petty Legate, Dot Wilson Petty and Mr. and Mrs. Finner Bell.

Dot Wilson Petty reported on several who had sent regrets not being able to attend. The group agreed to present a check to the Bogata Cemetery Fund from the class.

The Class of 1950 would like to thank you for the opportunity to be your host. As any host group will tell you, hosting involves lots of effort but there are many worthwhile personal rewards. We want to recognize also that there are many local graduates who year after year contribute selflessly behind the scenes to make the event successful each year.

The Class of 1953 will be host class for the 2002 BHS Annual Homecoming.

The gym was decorated with enough Green and White balloons to make "Bulldogs" proud. The AM visiting time was well attended and afforded the usual relaxed time to meet and greet friends from the past. The noon meal catered by Coleman's BBQ was delicious.

To begin the afternoon program Mervin Childers led the invocation. Charles Wilkerson and D.A. Wims held the American Flag for the Pledge of Allegiance. Michelle Bryson Smith did a beautiful job of singing, then leading the audience in singing "The Star Spangled Banner". Michelle is the daughter of Bill and Linda Bryson and the granddaughter of Howard Ed and Ola Bryson and Imogene and the late Roy Lee Hudson. Thank you, Michelle

The program followed a classroom format. Martha Kate Stanton Smiley who was the sixth grade homeroom teacher for the class of 1950 was recognized. Virginia Pike pled the school song (music class). Isn't it Virginia? Awards were given for

"Team reports" recognized the members of the 1937-1940 "Dixon Hatcher Championship Bulldogs". Several members of those teams were present: Howard Ed Bryson, Sam Latimer, Jack Pike, Leland Simms, Norman Simms, A.G. Puckett, A.D. Stephenson, Charles Wilkerson, D.A. Wims. These men and their classmates were not just football heroes. They had impressive records of service to their country in WWII and Korean Conflict . Records included POW Purple Hearts, Valor, Honor upon Honor and, in too many cases the "Ultimate Sacrifice". "Hatcher Bulldogs", we love you and we thank you for what you did and who you are. Not just his coaching records have immortalized Coach Hatcher, but also the impact he hand on the life of these and other young men he coached. Our entertainment was a wonder-

ful piano piece very beautifully performed by Ashleigh Hendrex. Ashleigh has deep family roots in Bogata. She is the granddaughter of Lou Beth Hatcher Hendrex, the great granddaughter of Coach Dixon L. Hatcher and Glady Barnard Hatcher and the niece of Clifford Barnard. Thank you Ashleigh for gracing our homecoming celebration with your presence and wonderful talent.

Dr. George W. Hobbs, "Tudor" to his classmates and friends, gave a review of the history (history class) of the Bogata School system from 1845 to present. This included interesting facts and stories about facilities, faculty and students. This was very appropriate since this fall will mark the first time since 1845 that a

school year will begin without a

school in the Maple Springs/Bogata community . We give a big "thank you" to Tudor for helping us remember and honor our roots and community background. Progress demands change but history remains fixed. Bogata Bulldogs are forever, even when "we are no more"

The Class of 1940 paid a very, very special tribute to their classmate, Howard Ed Bryson, who recently was found to have advanced cancer in both lungs. The tribute recounted that Howard Ed was a graduate who chose to stay in Bogata to "seek his fortune, marry and raise his family". It also noted a life filled with family, many varied business enterprises and jobs (frequently simultaneously) and church and civic activities. The class' recommended therapy was "...a foot stomping Bulldog Yell". Virginia Pike (resident cheerleader) led "STANDIN' IN THE GRAND-STAND, BEATIN' ON A TIN CAN, WHO CAN, WE CAN .... GO BULL-DOGS". Howard Ed, Ola, Duane, Bill, Charles and your familes...be CHEERED BY RESPECT, HONOR AND GOOD WILL, God bless you.

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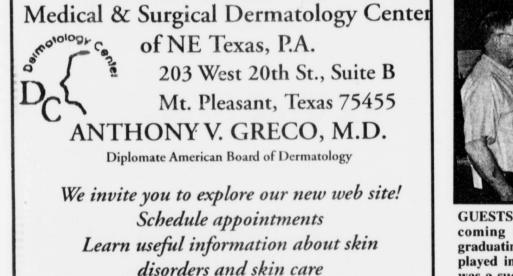
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Finally, Neil Rozell, much to his surprise, was asked to be the presenter of a bouquet to two ladies who the Class of 1950 had chose to recognize for their service to community, school, and particularly BHS Homecoming. Frances Roach Rozell and Frances Mayes Rozell were also surprised when their names were announced and grandchildren appeared to lead them across the floor. Thank you, Rozell family.

Bulldogs, remember homecoming next year.



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**GUESTS-at the Bogata Home**coming enjoyed looking at graduating class pictures displayed in the gym. The event was a success even though the weather did not cooperate. (Staff **Photo Nancy Brown**)

## Descendants search

for relatives

Descendants of Leander Walter Moore and Drucilla Emmaline Quinn and their children James Leroy great to always be able to count on Moore, Mary Elizabeth Moore, Thomas Clinton, Martyn Quinn, Lillian, greatest distance traveled (geogra-Annie Laurie and Alice J. are re- phy class) and oldest alumni (arith-

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searching their geneology and find- metic class). ing long lost cousins.

Also trying to locate descendants of Annie McConville, William H. McConville, Ann Walker McAllister. These families were in the Annona, Englishg, Henrietta, Avery, Mill Creek, Garland and generally Red River County areas from approximately 1850 through today. Any information will be appreciated.

An extended reunion and first time meeting for many is planned for May 4-6 in Mesquite. Please contact them with information.

Cousins are searching for the descendants of Pearce or Pierce Kelly or Kelley and his wife, Mary Elizabeth and descendants of Helen Lamar Kelley Perdue or Purdue, George Woodrow Wilson and John Jefferson Purdue or Perdue or Alice Wilson Mauldin's maternal and paternal families, also Mr. and Mrs. Garvin, b. 1812. These pioneer families were in the Bogata, Cuthand, Johntown areas from approximately 1850 through 1920's or more.

If you can help them connect, please contact L. Moore, 705 Roundtree Dr., Mesquite, TX 75150, 972-681-2683; L.T. Moore, ltmoore@pdq.net; T. Jay Moore, tja@mail.utexas.edu.



THE REGISTERING TABLE-was a busy place at the Bogata Homecoming held Saturday, April 14, 2001 at the school. Guests enjoyed visiting, lunch, a program following lunch and more visiting. (Staff **Photo Nancy Brown**)

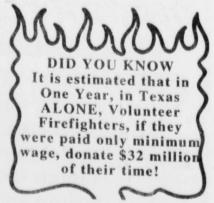




MARTHA SUE STROUD-(center) displayed her latest books and visited with guests, (right) Billie Bishop and her sister at the Bogata Homecoming held Saturday. Despite the inclement weather the reunion was a success. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

#### Transfer 2001-02

Parents interested in transferring students to the Rivercrest ISD should pick up transfer forms in the Superintendent's Office and Rivercrest by April 25, 2001 in order to attend the school next year. For more information call the school at 903-632-5204.



Prejudice is the reason of fools.

---Voltaire



MIRIAM STEPHENSON-talks with guest at the Bogata Homecoming Saturday about the plaque honoring local vetrans who lost their lives in war. The plaque is displayed at the Bogata Library/ Museum. Mrs. Stephenson also took donations for the Library/ Museum and encouraged guests to visit before returning home. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

## Williams-Weatherall honored with wedding shower

iams were honored with a wedding shower at the home of Mrs. Joyce Buckman Sunday, April 1, 2001.

The serving table was covered with a white lace tablecloth over burgundy satin cloth with two silver candelabras decorated with pink and burgundy ribbon and candles of the brides chosen colors. The table was tiered with satin cloth ballooned through the sherbet punch and mints. A fresh bouquet of pink roses completed the centerpiece. The chocolate and white cake was adorned with pink rose bouquets made with cream cheese frosting

At tiered levels lay a silver platter with fresh fruit and a platter of choco- Mankins and Mrs. Peggy Strain.

Jana Weatherall and Kevin Will- late dipped strawberries. Nuts and mints finished the tiered table arrangement.

> Special guests were Mrs. Joan Weatherall, mother of the bride of Talco, Mrs. Hazel Northcutt, grandmother of the bride, Mrs. Elsie Weatherall, grandmother of the bride, Kathy Williams, mother of the groom and Mrs. Ellen Tuck, grandmother of the groom, both of Bogata. Approximately sixty guests attended the shower. The couple received many nice gifts.

> Hostesses were; Mrs. Joyce Buckman, Mrs. Sandra Odetha Dubberly, Mrs. Mary Ellen Kain, Mrs. Margie Walker, Mrs. Mary Joplin, Mrs. Stella

## Fairview Cemetery work day set for April 21, 2001

A "work day" at Fairview Cem- Mattie Stubblefield in memory of Jay etery in Franklin County will be held Saturday, April 21, 2001. The Board of Directors is setting this day which is required by the Fairview Cemetery Association in preparation for the homecoming on May 6, 2001. Should inclement weather prevent this work day, the following Saturday, April 28, 2001 is designated as the work day.

Thursday, April 19, 2001

#### **RHS** Athletic Boosters meet tary-Sherrie Cheatwood and Trea

attend

The boys junior high district track meet was set for Friday, April 6 at

concession stand which is a big fund-

raiser for the club and helps greatly

The next meeting was set for Thursday, May 3, 2001 at 7:00 p.m. at

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The Rivercrest Athletic Booster Club met Monday, April 2, 2001. surer-Karen Beers. The deadline was set for May 1, 2001 for scholarship applications to be Rivercrest. Club members were enturned in by Rivercrest graduating seniors. The same date was set for couraged to attend to help with the next year's slogan contest. The winning slogan will be printed on Ttoward scholarship money. shirts to be sold by the Booster Club next year. All high school students may enter the slogan contest.

Officers for next year were elected. They are: President-Connie Giles; Vice President-Leah Cabell; Secre-

#### Game Management Seminar is April 26

Tri County Feed and Purina Mills, Inc. is hosting a game management will be given to one lucky winner as seminar on April 26 at Franklin a door prize. Snacks and sandwiches County Airport in Mt. Vernon at 6:30 will be served. p.m.

Discussion will include pond management, game nutrition and there will be game feeders on display.

342-5238 or 439-6071 One CEU hour credit on herbicide/ pesticide license will be given.

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#### Princess contestants needed!

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those dreams come true. The Bogata Rodeo Association, Inc. is once again sponsoring a Princess Contest for the 2001 Bogata Rodeo.

The contest is open to girls from the ages of five years through twelve years and it does not matter what town you live in. Each contestant will be judged: test is May 15.

## Quake on Town Lake is April 28-29

The fifth annual Quake on Town Oklahoma and Arizona and Iowa. Lake will be Saturday and Sunday, April 28-29 in Mt. Pleasant.

The professional outboard drag boat racing competition featuring the Outboard Drag Boat Association will feature racers from Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee, Alabama, North Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Texas,

From 80 to 100 boats are expected to participate in the fundraiser for

Cypress Basin Hospice. Gates open at 10 a.m. Saturday and Sunday with races beginning at noon each day. No alcoholic beverages are not allowed in the park.

## Sugar Bakers asking for donations

Judy Easley and Joy Easley will once again be asking for donations for the American Cancer Society's "Relay for Life". They will be leaving Flamingos in yards once again. The birds will be left in your yard late in the eveneing then picked up late the next evening, before dark. Please do not take the birds, they are put out to get donations for a very

good cause. If youy do not feel comfortable leaving your cash or checks in the yard, call 379-9195 or 379-5976 and they will come to your home at your convenience and pick up your donation

Make all checks payable to the American Cancer Society.

## PTO discusses open house/supper

day April 16th. Bylaws were handed out to be read over and approved at the next meeting.

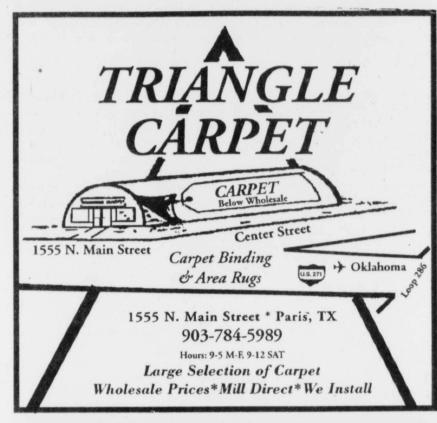
The Rivercrest P.T.O. met on Mon- lected at this meeting before the voting.

Playground memorial donations are being taken in Talco and Bogata.



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The group is very grateful to Don Thompson for the volunteer work he has donated to the cemetery.

Contributions to Fairview Cemetery have been received from Fay Sloan, Mrs. La Rue McKee, Jo Ann Barber, Virginia Ford in memory of Coella Laws; Mrs. Jean Stockton in memory of the Clawson family;

Stubblefield. Memorials to Irene Hill were given by Mr. and Mrs. Murray Collins,

Helen Biggerstaff, Charles Dawson, Valera Moore, Charles Moore, Scooter Deimel and Jon Deimel.

Other contributions have been received from Mrs. D.D. Bell, Glen Martin and John B. and Sharyn Sporar.

Send your donations for Fairview Cemetery to: Sue Street; Rt. 1 Box 135, Talco, Tx. 75487 or the First National Bank, Mt. Vernon, Tx. 75457

Everyone is encouraged to come out for the work day and to make plans to attend the homecoming May

Talco Locals

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

Sympathy is extended to the weather sent tents flying and the group Giddens, Savage and Brooks families during the loss of their loved ones.

Charles Graf, Rachel and Susan spent Thursday shopping at the Bossier City Air Force Base in Shreveport, LA. Thursday.

Carol Laing and Bill Newman attended a retirement party in Avinger Thursday night.

Jack, Jennifer and Jaden Brown of Paris visited over night with Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Brown Saturday. They all attended services at Maple Springs Church Sunday and ejoyed the lunch and Easter Egg Hunt that followed morning services. Also visiting Saturday and joining their family Sunday were Kim, Paul and Quinton Anderson.

The Talco Calvary Baptist Church youth enjoyed a Savenger Hunt in M. Pleasant Friday and a camp out at the home of Shane and Leslie Wright, Alex and Jacob. The inclement into the Wright home to finish out the evening.

Happy April birthday to: Chaz Smith, Emily McCuller, Zach Sewell and Shelbi Roberts.

Carol Laing and Bill Newman spent April 4-8 in Georgia visiting his daugher and granddaughter. They report a wonderful visit and trip.

The Maple Springs Church enjoyed lunch and an Easter Egg Hunt following services Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade Cline and girls visited with Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Hawkins and attend services at Maple Springs Sunday. They also enjoyed the covered dish lunch and egg hunt that followed.

Donnette and Matthew Parrott and children were honored with a House Warming Friday, April 13, 2001 at their new home south of Talco. Guests were served a wonderful meal and the couple received many nice and useful gifts.

## Bogata Methodist Women meet

Wednesday, April 11, 2001 in the Fellowship Hall. Mary Kathryn Cotten opened the meeting with the devotional, "The Last Few Pounds". Twelve members and two guests were present

Kim Kelsey introduced the guest speaker, Patricia Higgins, RN, MSN, CFPN, Certified Family Nurse Practitioner, who works at the Bogata Clinic from Christus St. Joseph's Health System. She discussed health

The Bogata Methodist Women met issue involved in the aging process. She also stressed the importance of exercise, drinking six to eight glasses of water daily and getting a balanced diet. Questions from members were also answered. Kim gave each member present a brochure and pen.

Mary Kathryn Cotten presided over the business session.

The meeting closed with dismissal prayer. The next meeting will be in May. Eleanor McCluer will be program chairman.

The Open House Hamburger Supper was discussed and will be voted on at the next meeting. The group will meet again on April 23 at 6:00p.m. in the Rivercrest Homemaking Dept.to approve the by-laws and the hamburger supper. Dues of \$2.00 per person will also be col-

In Bogata they may be mailed to Kim Kelsey, P.o. Box 730, Bogata, Texas 75417 or dropped off at St. Josephs Family Clinic.

Please remember to attend the meeting on Monday, April 23 at 6:00 p.m. at Rivercrest.

#### National Library week observed

1-8 with special emphasis each day. Monday was "Make Your Mark Day---Read". Every student received a pencil. Tuesday was "get Comfy With Reading" day. Students and teachers were encouraged to wear their favorite houseshoes. Wednesday was "Orange You Glad You Can Read?" day! Everyone was encouraged to wear something orange and oranges were served for lunch. Thurs-

day was "Sweeten Up With Reading!"day. All students were given a sucker. Friday was "Rebels Read!" day. Everyone was encouraged to wear their favorite Rebel Tshirt.

Special announcements each day recognized winners of the A.M. Aikin Jr. Reding Achievement award. Libriarian, Linda Gray stated she is very proud of the students who par-



**JONATHAN MOORE-was a** lucky winner of a savings bond when he found the prize egg at the Talco Park Annual Easter Egg Hunt Saturday. Although the day was cloudy and threatened rain the event was well attended. The savings bonds were donated by the Talco Guaranty Bank. Jonathan is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bradley Moore of Talco. Congratulations Jonathan! (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

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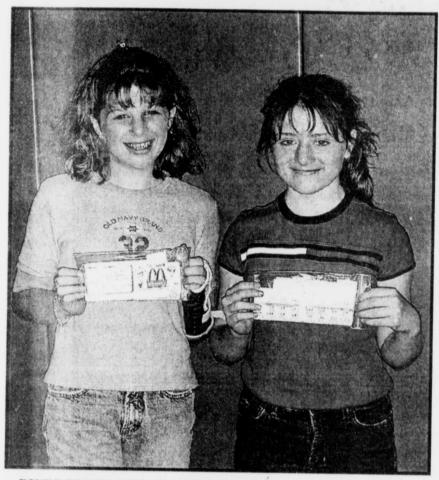
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#### Students at Bogata School cel-ebrated National Library Week April ticipate in all the schools reading programs.



SPECIAL VISIT-The Easter Bunny, better known as Mary Ellen Kain, made a special visit to BreAnn Fulbright last week. BreAnn had recently came home from the hospital where she underwent surgery.



**RIVERCREST JUNIOR HIGH-Cheerleaders Lauren Beers and** Kirby Needham display the McDonald's Discount Cards the group will be selling to earn funds for their uniforms and supplies. The cards are \$10 each and offer great savings. They can be puchased from Bailie Spencer, Mandy Crawford, Crystal Howerton, Lauren Beers, Kirby Needham and Cortney Merchant at Bogata or from Whitney Savage or Alex Wright in Talco.

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#### **Bogata** Locals

April 5-6 Gerlyn and Jerry gray and Margaret Davis had special visitos. Norman and Ester Parker of Iona, Missouri came by. Norman and Gerlyn had not seen each other for 11 years. Margaret Davis is Norman's great aunt and she treated everyone to a steak dinner at the Western Sizzlin' Restaurant in Mt. Pleasant.

Tuesday Jerry and Gerlyn Gray and Margaret Davis went to Hugo Lake to camp and fish with Danny, Jessica and Marli Hines, Bobby and Pansy Hines. They report fishing was poor due to the cooler weather and thunderstorms

Happy April wedding anniversary to: Ike and Dori Roach and Vandy and Elanie Morgan.

Zelma Mauldin, Phyllis Duffer, Margie Garrett and Yvonne Powell of Carrollton enjoyed a mini-vacation last week in Hot Springs, Arkansas. Joining them for a couple of days were Tricia Bradley of Bismark, Arkansas and Susie Fowler of Blevins. Arkansas. They all report a wonderful time.

Recent visitors with Donald, Judy and Tana Screws were Jerry, Chris Anna, Christopher and Jerred Guerra of Paris, Mike Screws of Deport and Bren Cobb of Paris.

Thursday Judy Holt was taken by ambulance to Titus County Regional Medical Hospital ER and diagnosed with strep-throat. She was discharged to Monday, April 16 and is reported doing well.

Jean Blankenship Holmes of Tyler and Mary Ann Williams of Bogata visited Friday with Dixie Stringfellow. Also visiting with Dixie during the week were Vicki Tabb, Felina, Chad and Jerica White, Kaley Stringfellow, Danny Tabb, Billy Stringfellow and Jimmy Stringfellow.

George and Janet Hobbs of Huntsville and Susan Hobbs of Houston spent the weekend at their place, Little Chicoga. They also visited Helen Williams and attended the Bogata

Schoo Homecoming on Saturday. Thursday afternoon Nina Holt broke the fingers on her left hand while working cattle at the family ranch. Heath and Heather Holt spent several days with Nina and Robert while their mom was in the hospital. Happy April birthday to: Melanie Klein, Elvis Wooten, Suzann Shovan, Destiny Anderson, Eric Baird, Scotty Goodwin, Felina White, Gene Hawkins and Vandy Morgan.

Meeting at Thomas Park Sunday for a picnic and egg hunt were Billy and Kathy Stringfellow, Kaley and Kellen, Joe and Misty Stringfellow, Tyler, Darrin, Brent, Josh and Jake, Felina White and Jerica, Jimmy Stringfellow, Mrs. Dixie Stringfellow, James White, Danny White, Megan and Lauren Wall.

Visiting Chrystine Baker Wednesday were Sue, Jennifer and Piper Elizabeth Miears of Dallas. They also visited with Billie Welch of Blossom. Billie is Piper's great grandmother.

Jerry and Gerlyn Gray, Jessica and Marli Hines attended church at the Cuthand Methodist Church Easter Sunday. Heather and Heath Holt were in an Easter program, "The Three Trees", which was very touching. The children all did a great job. Sympathy is extended to the fam-

ily of Betty Dodd. Helen Williams spent the weekend in Commerce with Granville and Haletha Jones. They attended the wedding of Robert Lynn Jones and Corinne Janke of Duncanville Saturday evening. The wedding took place at the Hanging Gardens there.

Sunday afternoon Jennifer and Riley Reeder, Willie Mae and Jessie Gray and Linda Gray visited with Jerry and Gerlyn Gray, Margaret Davis, Danny, Jessica and Marli Hines, Heather and Heath Holt.

Wayne and Alice Grogan of San Antonio attended the April 14th Bogata Homecoming and the 60th reunion of his Bogata High School Class of 1941.

## Talco Sugar Bakers giving away swing

tions.

The Talco Sugar Baker will begin raising funds for the American Cancer Relay for Life.

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The drawing will be held on May 12.

Tickets may be obtained from any Talco Sugar Baker.

For more information call Judy Easley at 379-9195 or Joy Easley at 379-3831.

## **Bogata Locals**

Billie Welch of Blossom visited Monday with Chrystine Baker. They took flowers to family gravesides and enjoyed lunch at the 909 Restaurant.

Helen Williams and daughter, Patty Barton of Bagwell spent Tuesday and Wednesday visiting with their sister and aunt, Allene Chandler at Leggett. They also visited with Mr. and Mrs. Milton Lee of Livingston, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Wilkerson, Mrs. Ronnie Hunt of Lufkin, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Chandler of Saratoga and Mr. and Mrs. George Hobbs of Huntsville.

Happy April Birthday to: Bo Yale, Peggy Yale, Betty Joy Puckett, Camilia Mankins, Mallory Rozell, Haley Bivins, Brittany Perez, Delores Cheatwood, Todd Ward, Lana Pirtle Buchheit, Sandra Haldeman, Duane Allen, Bettye Williams, Dee Richardson and Danny and Michael Tabb.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Donald Screws and Tana Sunday were Jerry, Chris Anna, Christopher and Jerred Guerra of Paris, Kenneth Murphy of Minter and Mike Screws of Deport.

The Women's and Men's Sunday School classes of First Baptist Church

## Lady Rebels compete at District

The Lady Rebel Track and Field Team ended the season at the District Meet held at Paul Pewitt High School on April 12, 2001. Girls participating and placing were as follows:

400 meter relay-4th place, Tina Carder, Molly Hare, Danielle Easterling and Charla Hines with a time of 56.40.

800 meter run-Stephanie Williams with a time of 2:56 and Erica Williams with a time of 3:00.

800 meter relay-5th place, Tina Carder, Molly Hare, Danielle Easterling and Stephanie Williams with a time of 2:05.40.

100 meter hurldes-Michell Bryant-4th place with a time of 18:02.

100 meter dash-Tina Carder with a time of 14:00. 400 meter run-Charla Hines-2nd

place with a time of 6:25. The win qualifies Charla for the Regional Meet. Rachel Case also participated

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

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

Bogata met at the Lonesome Dove Restaurant in Deport on Friday night. April 6 to honor Betty Sue and James A. Watts on the occasion of their recent marriage. A beautiful hanging basket was presented to the couple along with many good wishes. Those attending were; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Franklin, Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Gray, Mr. and Mrs. Don Guess, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Porterfield, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Ragsdill, Ms. Judy Ward, Mr. and Mrs. Bill White and Mr. and Mrs. Glen White.

Happy April Anniversary to Jessie and Kenderly Woods.

Joe Ford is reported home and doing well following lung surgery.

Alan Boyd has been returned to St. Joseph's Hospital in Paris for therapy following a lengthy stay and brain surgery at ETMC in Tyler. For those who would like to send him a card or give him call, he is in Room 117. He is reported improving daily. Alan is the husband of Sherry Taylor Boyd and the son-in-law of Pete and Lillian

Taylor of Bogata. in the race.

300 meter hurdles-Michelle Bryant-3rd place with a time of 52.5. 200 meter dash-Charla Hines-3rd with a time of 27:95 Krystal Valenzuela also participated in the race. 1600meter run-Stephanie Will-

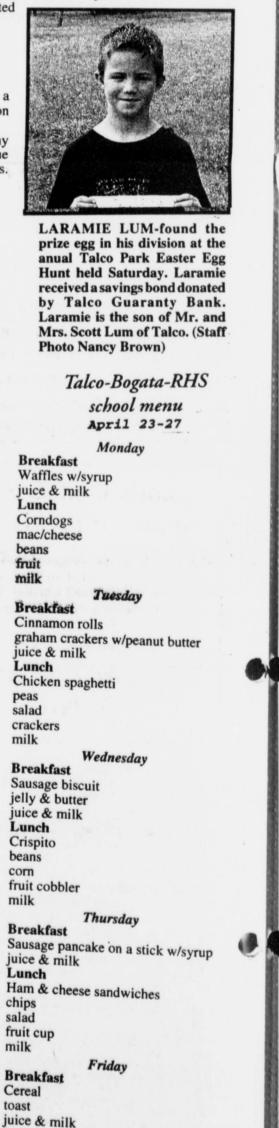
iams-4th place with a time of 6:24; Nikki Jones with a time of 7:10 and Robyn Hollis with a time of 7:36. Long Jump-Charla Hines, Tina

Carder and Rachel Case. Triple Jump-Tina Carder and Michell Bryant.

Shot Put-Jamie Daniels-4th place with a throw of 29'1. Also participating were Molly Moles and Danielle Varner.

Discus-Jamie Daniels, Molly Moles and Danielle Varner.

Coach Debbie Williams was well pleased with the girls accomplishments this year.



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the 13th, six member of the Bogata and Talco eighth grades and their sponsor, Mona Pitts, traveled to Washington D.C. and Williamsburg, Virginia.

The week began with a visit to Jamestown Settlement. The students watched a glass blowing demonstration, before traveling to the settlement. At the settlement, students saw a Pohowatan Indian camp, replicas of the ships that brought the first English settlers to America and the fort. There were numerous demonstrations of life during the 1600's. After boarding the bus, they traveled to Colonial Williamsburg, Virginia. After a meal at Shields Tavern, the students toured the town. Numerous scenes from everyday life during the

During the week of April 9 through time period were seen. The students also visited the Yorktown battlefield. The students then traveled to Washington D.C. During their time there, they visited the Capitol, the

Smithsonian, the numerous memorials, the Holocaust Museum, Arlington National Cemetery, Kennedy Center, the Newseum and Ford's Theater. They also visited Mt. Vernon, George Washington's plantation.

The students paid for the Wash-ington portion of their trip. Candy, pizza sales and donations helped to pay for the day in Jamestown and Williamsburg.

Those attending were Cassie McCuller, R.C. Pitts, Matthew Ross, Jill Shirley, Kerri Simmons and Dawn Wilson.

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PICTURED-standing on the banks of the Potomac River with the Washington Monument in the background are: (from the left) Matthew Ross, Cassie McCuller, Jill Shirley, Kerri Simmons, Dawn Wilson and R.C. Pitts.

## Easter Eve eggstravaganza held

The sixth annual Easley Easter Eve and 31 adults. Eggstravaganza was held Saturday, April 14 at the home of Johnny and Joy Easley and the Squash Farm. Despite the rain and mud, 952 eggs were hid and found by 29 children

Everyone enjoyed a late lunch, games and visiting. The ole Bunny was tired, but has rested and is looking forward to next year.

## York family reunion planned

The descendants of the late Thomas Alfred and Josie (Cooper) York will meet for a reunion on Sunday, June 24, 2001 at the Bogata Community Center. For more information call Dixie at 903-632-4525 or Betty at 940-387-4295. All family members are urged to make plans to attend



We would like to offer an apology to those whose local news and some upcoming events that were left out of last week's paper.

The Bogata Locals file on my computer was overlooked and we failed to print it out. Those items will be printed this week and we hope our mistake did not inconvenience anyone badly. Please forgive us for the error.

Thank You, Nancy Brown and the Thunder Prairie Staff

#### Johntown Opry closed

The Johntown Opry will be closed until and undetermined time due to the recent death of Betty Dodd.

If and when the Opry is re-opened it will be announced in the local newspaper. Appreciation is extended to those who came to play and sing or to just enjoy the music and fellowship.

#### **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.

#### April 23

The Cunningham VFD will host a Fish Fry on April 23, 2001 beginning at 6:00 p.m. A \$5.00 donation will buy all you can eat. Come out for a good meal, fellowship and help support the First Responder's Unit. which all proceeds will go toward.



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