What a diversity!
I was struck once more by
what a small world it is and
just how talented and diverse

we are. | Thomas and I went up to |
| :---: |
| $\begin{array}{c}\text { Spavinaw, Oklahomathis past } \\ \text { weekend to visit my aunt and }\end{array}$ | Spavinaw, Oklahoma this past

weekend to visit my aunt and
cousins. While there, my cousin cousins. While there, my cousin
Medora said "you've got to
meet this Meet this really interesting
woman, Mrs. Vanover". So, woman, Mrs. Vanover". So,
off we went, out into the coun-
try to a charming home suroff we went, out into the coun-
try to a charming home sur-
rounded by bee hives, cattle, and flowers. There we met an
energetic woman, in her 60 s. energetic woman, in her 60s,
whose name is Hjordis
Vanover. It was a long story Vanover. It was a long story,
but suffice it to say that Mrs.
Vanover took Vanover took a long and fasci-
nating route from Sweden to
Okt Oklahoma! She was part of
the world's Number One aerial acrobatic troupe at one time, an act her beloved father de-
veloped. From doing hand veloped. From doing hand
stands on a platform 75 feet
above the ground, she now has her feet firmly rooted in gar-
dening. She and her husband, dening. She and her husband,
Sam, enjoy a country life-style.
Ster $\begin{aligned} & \text { She grows over } 25 \text { varieties of } \\ & \text { peppers, and } I \text { lost count of the }\end{aligned}$ fabulous
varieties. Have you ever heard varieties.Have you ever heard
of a "Green Zebra" or a low acid "Snowball" tomato?
Their bees produce the most wonderful hooney imaginable.
In the course of talking with this lovely lady, she mentioned we should go meet the neat
peopleat Hungry Holler. There peopleat Hungry Holler. There
we were once more entranced
by the talents and beautiful we were once more entranced
by the talents and beautiful
home of two unconventional home of two unconventional
people. Nestled among arbors and
vines, wildflower gardens and rock flower beds is a stone rock flower beds is a stone
house and gallery. I never
learned these people's names...they refer to themselves as gourdhead and
woodude. He does wonderful woodude. He does wonderful
woodwork and she carves and paints fabulous gourds. I
drooled over their talented drooled over their talented
offerings and enjoyed their offerings and enjoyed their
happy parrot, coddled cats and somewhat aggressive
rooster. (A sign on the door of the gallery said "out back, follow path and don't make
the rooster mad.). the rooster mad.).
They also were showing $\begin{aligned} & \text { They also were showing } \\ & \text { somegreat watercolors by an- } \\ & \text { other local artist. }\end{aligned}$ other local artist.
All of this little whirlwind tour took only the morning,
yet I felt I had made new friends and seen
standing talents.
Yesterday afternoon on the road coming home, I thought
about this, and I realized that about this, and I realized that
talents are probably one of talents are probably one of
the most wasted things in this the most wasted things in this
world. So many people have
them, and so often we never

D find a way to make use of
them, or the time to pursue them, or the time to pursue
them. $\begin{aligned} & \text { The people I met this week- } \\ & \text { end have a contentment that }\end{aligned}$ end have a contentment that shines through, and I believe
it is because they have found a way to use their considerable talents. So, if you have a talent, use
it, I really believe yon it, I really believe you'Il be
happierandhealthier because happier and healthier because
you do.



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 Jat 65TH YEAR, No. 27 TALCO, TITUS COUNTY, TEXASThursday, May 17, 200150 (


## Queen, Princess contestants

sought for Bogata Rodeo

## miles of Bogata and who is interested in competing for 2001 Bogata Queen

 4922 or 632-9972 for details on this year's contest. Deadline for entries is May 21 .Girls must be 13 through 19 years Girls must be 13 through 19 years Each Princess contestant will be VBS to be held May 31
at Talco Calvary Baptist Church
The Talco Calvary Baptist Church
will host a one day Vactation Bible School on May 31, 2001. An Indiana
Jones type theme called Truth TrackJones type theme called Truth Track- are invited to participate andstudents
ers, "In Search of the Secret of the ers, "n Search of the Secret of the in 7th grade and up are welcome to
Stone Tablets" will be carried out.
come serve as helpers in the days The fun will begin at 9:00 a.m. and activities. For more information con

## Sugar Bakers are busy in Talco

The Talco Sugar Bakers held their The luminaries will honor those that drawing for the yard swing on May have fought the battle land won, or Sloan drew Have It in Talco. Judy in memory of those that have been Jamie Ward the winning name of lost to cancer. Everyone is urged to was donated by Cackleberry's and and Cancer Society,
 Frances sold over 200. The winning event starts at $6: 30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. at the Mt
ticket was sold by Rachel Ward ticket was sold by Rachel Ward. Pleasant track, located behind the
Luminaries are on sale. You $\begin{aligned} & \text { Luminaries are on sale. You may } \\ & \text { purchase these for } \$ 5.00 \text { each or three }\end{aligned}$
high schoold. A special walk will be
held for $\$ 12.00$. The luminary ceremony vors. Please come out and join the will be at 9 p.m. on Friday, May 18. walk.

BOBBL GIDDENS-is pictured viewing iems in the new Talco Historical Museum. The group have two rooms complete located at City Hall in Talco and are working on three more rooms. The items
and pictures donated have been wonderful and over 80 guests and pictures donated have been wonderful and over 80 guest
visited the museum during the Talco Homecoming. All area residents are encouraged to stop by for a visit, offer a helping hand and most of all enjoy seeing Talco's past come to life. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)


Lawrence Woodle surveyed his 1990 Chevrolet pickup after collid-
ing with 2000 Toyota pickup at the intersect 71 in Talco. Both vehicles received major damage. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)
awarded to the top individuals. Contact JoAnn Evans at 632-5196 for information on the P
The contest is being sponsored by he Bogata Rodeo Association. You on the web and click on the Princess tab to learn more.
Retirement supper planned for
Don Easterling
A retirement supper is being planned for Don Easterling, Science teacher at Bogata Elementary School.
The event will be held at the Fish
Fry in Paris on Wednesday, May 2
at $7: 30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.
Anyone intersted in attending is
asked to call the school at $632-5214$


May 18
The annual end of year music pro-
gram will be held at the Talco School gram will be held at the Talco School on May 18 beginning at $9: 30$ a.m.
Family and friends are invited to Family and friends are invited to at

May 21
The annual Scholarship and Awards program at Rivercrest High
School will be held School will be held Monday, May 21
beginning at 10:00 a.m. Family beginning at 10:00 a.m. Family
friends are invited to attend.

May 23 \& 24 Rivercrest ISD students will be
dismissed early on May 23 \& 24 Buses will run at $2: 30 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.
$\qquad$ program will be held at Bogata Schoo program will, Mel
on Thursday, May 24, 2001 with the Elementary at $9: 00$ a.m. and Junior
Highat $10: 30 \mathrm{~m}$ Highat 10:30a.m. Family and friends
are invited to attend. are invited to attend.

The annual end of year awards program will be held at Talco School
on Thursday, May 24, 2001 beginon Thursday, May 24, 2001 begin-
ning at $9: 30$.m. Family and friends
are invited to attend.


Our Cook of the Week this week
is Caleb Goodin, the son of Teresa and Dewayne Goodin of Blossom.
$H$ He is a fifth grader He is a fifth grader on the Blossom
Campus. I caught up with Caleb on Campus. I caught up with Caleb on
Saturday morning at the Blossom Saturday morning at the Blossom
Volunteer Fire Departments Lady Fire Belles monthly breakfast they hold as a fund raiser. He was cooking scrambled eggs and helping his grandmother, Mary Crouch, who is
president of the organization. Caleb usually can be found on these particular Saturday mornings helping


COOK OF THE WEEK is Caleb Goodin of Blossom. Caleb is a 5th
grader and the son of Teresa and Dewayne Goodin. He enjoy cooking
and can't wait for the completion of their new hoome that was destroyed by a recent fire, or that he can get in the new kitchen and begin cookin (Staff Photo by Liz Irwi

Household shower to benefit Stowell family

On Sunday, May 20, the ladies of | is encouraged to come and be a part |
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| the Detroit First Baptist Church will |
| of the fun. |
| host a household shower for the |
| Household items may be dropped |
| Stowell family. |
| The Stowell family home was de- |
| sfrom to to 6 p.m. at the Family |
| Life Center for those who can t stay. |
| For information, call 674-4701. |



Police Rodeo is June 2


## served at noon under the Pavilion on

 The Deport School Cafeterai hasTeen reserved as an alternate site in
case of rain.
Students receive LVN pins at PJC The Licensed Vocational Nursing
Department at Paris Junior College
held pinning ceremonies for 26 nursing students on Wednesday.
Donna Gatlin, Director of Health
Occupations, welcomed the students, Occupations, welcomed the students,
their families and friends and introduced the LVN and ADN nursing
instructors to the audience.


From Clarksville, Christi Brent.
From Deport, Kendia Hicks.
From Detroit Karen
Parks \& Walker
reunion set for June 3
The annual Parks and Walker
reunionn will be held on June 3, 200
at the Deport American
at the Deport American Legion. There
will be a covered dishluncheonserved will be acovered dish luncheonserved
at noon. All family and friends are


The property was sold for
one dollar in 1895 to the one dollar
Plesant C Plesant Church to establisha
cemtery (Mt. Pleasant Cemetery). We just had the cemetery declared historical by
the state. Has nayone evr heard of
the McGill School? I would the McGill School? I would
appreciate any information. appreciate
Thanks
Brenda
Brenda Williams
(replay to the Dep
$\underset{903.652-4205 \text { ) }}{\substack{\text { (replay to the Deport Times, }}}$



Richard Dawid Redfea
Richard Redfearn
dies May 11
Richard David Redfearn, born
December 16, 1972 in Dallas, passed
December 16, 1972 in Dallas, passed
away May 11 in The Colony. Richard away May 11 in The Colony. Richard
was a 1991 graduate of Rivercrest High School.
Surviving are his parents, David
Redfearn and Deborah Craigi Redfearn and Deborah Craig; a
brother, Clay Allen Craig; sisters, brother, Clay Allen Craig; sisters,
Lydia Murawski, Michelle Godwin, Lydia Murawski, Michelle Godwin,
Carissa Wilson and Shantel Thomp-
son: grandmother, Madelyn Blayney Son; grandmother, Madelyn Blayn
and fiancee Tara Ann Craig.
Services were held at 10 a.m. Services were held at 10a.m. Tues-
day, May 15 at Anderson Clayton
Bros. Funeral Home Chapel in Mes-
quite with interment in Rock Hill Bros. Funeral Home Chapel in Mes-
quite with interment in Rock Hill

John Trussell
dies May 10
John Trussell, age 63 of McCrury,
died Thursday, May 10 in the Docter
died Thursday, May 10 in the Doctor's
Hospital of Dallas.
good Funeral Homes conducted
raveside services on Sunday, May
13 at 3:00 p.m. with Kay Pruitt offi-
ciating.
Mr. Trussell was born in Lamar
County on January 1, 1938, the son of
Marshall Elois and Alice Slaton
Marshall Elois and Alice Slaton
Trussell. On May 8, 1959 he married the former Barbara Pickleseimer. Mr.
Trussell was retired from Campbell
Soup.
Surviving is his wife, Barbara of
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McCrury; his sons, John Trussell, Jr.
of McCrury and Jimmy Trussell and
wife Jeannia of McCrury wife Jeannia of McCrury, Cindy
Talley and husband Randy of Deport Talley and husband Randy of Deport
and Peggy Benedict and husband and Peggy Benedict and husband,
Charles of Hagansport; a stepdaugh-ter, Debra Pickleseimer of Deport;
grandchildren, Rebecca Malone and husband Jamie of Slabtown, Amy
Talley ofDeportand Derrick Benedict of Hagansport; three sisters,Marcella
Wright of Deport, Eula Fae Walker of Deport and Brenda Berry and hus-
band Doug of Powderly; several band Doug of Powderly; several
nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his
parents and a sister, Carol Jean
Trussell.


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ter of George and Jo Gordon of ter of George and Jo Gordon of
Bogata and Carolyn Chance of lorien, Paging, Inc.
The prospective b:idegroom is the The prospective bidegroom is the
grandson of Bertha Greer of grandson of Bertha Greer of
Martinsville. VA. He is a graduate of and is currently attending Patrick
Henry Yommunity College. He is Roberson of Powderly. She is a The couple will be married on Fi Family council forum to meet

##  on the rights of residents in long termm care. The forum will be held Thurs- they They are hoping that citizens from day, May 31 at 6 p.m. at the Titus Franklin, Titus and Morris counties County Memorial Hospital:s audito- who are friends or family members of residents who e ither live in anurs- rint. Pleasant. The forum will be conducted by ing home or an assisted living facil the Regional Ombudsman program, ing home or an assisted living facilwhich is administered through the have long been visititg the local Ark-Tex Council of Governments nursing homes might also want to Area Agency on Aging. Thenem addo- cate for any issue of importance to senior Texans in nursing hoomes or or as

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ter, Kristi to Michael Couch II of Bogata. Michael is the son of Mike invited to attend.


RESIDENTS-and staff at Red River Healthcare enjoyed a Balloon Lift Off and Ice Cream Sundae Day on Monday, to kick off
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CHRISTUS ST. JOSEPH'S FAMILY CLINIC-members surprised the Bogata Elementary School and Junior High School with a treat of cookies in honor of Teacher Appreciation Week last week.
Pictured are junior high teachers (on the left) Kathy Stringfellow, Mona Pitts, Becky Alsup and Mrs. Burleaud accepting the gift from (on the right) Nurse Practioner, Patricia Higgins, Kim Kelsey, Brani Reavis and Kay Legate. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)


CADEMIC JACKETS-Talco students receiving academic jackets this year are; (from the left) hip.(Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

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## Blue Jentis Surdau

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LINDA GRAY-(front row far left) is pictured with her Bogata 7th grade A.M. Akin Readers. The
students a special trip for their efforts this year in the program and some have participated every year



The event received rave reviews from those who attended. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

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## Rebel Band performs

RHS Class of ' 81 to reunite Aug. 11 The Rivercrest High School Class
of 1981 will be having their 20 th class of 1981 will be having their 20th class reunion on August 11, 2001 at the
Bogata Community Center and Thomas Park.
The class needs addresses for all classmates who are out of town. If
you know an address for any out of you know an address for any out of
town member pleasecall Juana Valenzuela at 903 -632-4464 or Kathy Hawkins at 903-632-4233.

## formed in concert on Sunday, May

 formed in concert on Sunday, May12, 2001 at the school auditorium. The theme of the program was "Music for a Sunday Afternoon" and was under the direction of Angelia M. Landrum. A reception followed th program.
Member Members of the Beginner Band
are; Katherine Brink, Vicki Schmidt Carissa Carroll, Jessica Espinoza, Brooke Hale, Valery Schmidt, Kelly
Shade Asely Shew, Krystal Smith Shade, Ashely Shew, Krystal Smith,
Danielle Fulbright, Emily Hood Erica Tucker, Angie Watts, Rache Smith, Chris Watts, Lillian Baird, Callen Morgan, Melanie Smith Destry Nolen and Dewayne Sanders
Members of the Concert Band are Stephanie Carroll, Angela Lester,
Kissryn Munns, Heather Presley,


Talco Locals
Beth Myrcle of Jackson, Tennessee visited with Mr. and Mrs. Charles
Graf, Katherine, Rachel and Susan Wednesday. On Thursday Wanda Graf returned home with Beth for a Mother's Day visit.
Paul, Kim and Qu
enjoyed supper at the Western Sizzlin Restaturant in Mt. Pleasant Sunday in honor of Mother's Day. Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Brown spent
Friday morning in Tyler where he Friday morning in Tyler where he
underwent tests on his heart. He received a good report
Katherine Graf spent Friday shopping in Paris.
Sally and Leon Dunn and Aaron Smith of Lufkin visited with Patsy and Arthur Smith and Melanie Saturday. They all attended Melanie's soft-
ball game in Bogata Sollanday ball game in Bogata Saturday
evening On Sunday theyall attended evening. On Sunday they all attended
the Rivercrest Band Concert and following enjoyed a late lunch at the Western Sizzlin Restaturant in Mt. Pleasant. Also joining them were Russell Smith, Vicki Craig and Brad and Laura Smith of Elysian Fields.
Monday Josh Smith of Elysian Fields and his grandmother, Patsy Smith traveled to Waco to pick up brother and grandson, Chad Smith
from college. from college.
were honored on Sunday with gifts for the oldest, youngest and mother with the most children present to name a few. Jack, Jennifer and Jaden Brown of
Paris visited with his parents, Eddie and Nancy Brown and his sister and family, Kim, Paul and Quinton Anderson Sunday evening. Stephanie Allmon of Paris visited
with Nancy Brown Wednesday They with Nancy Brown Wednesday. They
spent the afternoon preparing flowers for Stephanie's wedding on Satur-
day. The Talco Chill girls softballteam, coaches Katherine Graf and Nancy Brown and Marta Rhoades and Robert Caul enjoyed a trip to the batting
cages in Paris Wednesday evening.

It is well that there is no one without fault, for he would no have a friend in the world.
-William Hazlit
-William Hazlitt Ward, Jennifer White, Jessica Allen Krisha Allums, Melissa Brown, Jes-
ica Forsyth, Sarah Hare, Cind Livingston, Ashley Mankins, Erica Moreno, Nikki O'Donnell, Kristy Wiffle, Pearl Ponthieux, Melissa Mauldin, Kacey Van Deaver Danielle Varner, Cyndi Blankenship Tiffany Giles, April Keymon, Cassie Perry, Cody Winniford, Josh McGee Josh Nailling, Dustin Perry, Kristin
Simmons, Justin Tucker, Nick Bruton, Keith Perry, R.C. Pitts, Mindy Riffle and J.D. Sessums.
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ACADEMIC JACKETS－Bogata students receiving academic jackets this year are，top from left：Saleena Whitaker，Payden Franks and Dawn Wilson．Middle row：Koren Hawkins．Front，Valedictorian Kerri
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|  |  |  |  | ECKRICH smoked sausage 1 Lb . All Kinds $\$ 199$ |  | PAR <br> MAG <br> 4 STICK <br> 79 |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | $\substack{\text { SP } \\ \text { LUNCHE } \\ \text { L2 } \\ \$ 169}$ <br> $\mathbf{1}^{69}$ |  |  |  | PARADE BUTTERMILK BISCUITS 4/\$1 |  | p |  |  |
|  |  | $59$ |  |  |  | $\underset{\substack{\text { NA } \\ \text { PR }}}{ }$ |  |  |  |  |
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|  | $49$ |  |  |  |  |  | COKE, DIET COKE, SPRITE DR. PEPPER, DIET DR. PEPPER <br> 6 Pk. 16 Oz. Buts. $\$ \mathbf{2}^{49}$ |  |  |  |

