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By Nanalee Nichols

My husband has always said I'm too plain spoken. I tend to dislike euphemisms, and I tend to tell it like I see it and I don't attempt to hide behind a facade of sophistication.

As it's impossible not to know, this is an election year. On a local basis we have had lots of people who are running for various positions drop by our office in order to place ads, campaign releases and just to visit. We've enjoyed visiting with candidates, and we've learned a lot about them.

Most of them spend a little time with our office dog, Lacy the spoiled cocker spaniel. None of them are unable to ignore her.

But, for the past few weeks, she has exhibited some behavior which has caused all visitors to look askance at her, and us.

We have a mouse. He (or she) has a swift and crafty fellow, and has eluded traps for some time now. We no longer use poison after the incident with Lacy's predecessor.

We first noticed the mouse when Lacy pointed it. Yes, that's what I said, she pointed! She froze into a perfect point, intent upon the mouse, which had apparently been scuttling along the wall. We all noticed her, and when the rodent broke and ran the dog was right behind!

We have had several mad scrambles, and I swear the mouse is playing games with the dog. The dog loves it.

We gave it very little thought, until the political candidates began to come by.

I was visiting with a gentleman when Lacy pointedly pointed. I tried to ignore her, but he said "what's the dog pointing?"

I casually replied "She is pointing at a mouse we can't seem to catch".

This incident repeated virtually every time someone came in and sat down. I always told them what the dog was pointing.

Finally, my husband told me to quit it!

"How embarrassing" he proclaimed, "You're telling everyone we are infested with MICE. Do you have to tell everything you know?"

Well, yes, I guess I do. I figure most people have had a mouse problem a few times, and what in the world can I tell them the dog is pointing...quail?

I'll hope future visitors don't ask...but if they do I'll probably tell them the truth...that we don't have a cocker spaniel...we have a red-haired mouse pointer!

Sign Up To Run For Talco-Bogata School Board Positions Now

Monday Feb. 19th was the first day of sign up to run for school board the Talco Bogata CISD.

Current board president Eddie Brown has filled out his application to run for Position 3 again.

Mark Hare has signed an application to run for position 6 from Bogata. Buford Hervey, current holder of Position 6 has indicated that he will not seek re-election.

Deadline for application for a board position is March 20th.

Open are positions are 3 from Talco and 6 from Bogata

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"National FFA Week" Is February 19-24 At Rivercrest

National FFA Week is February 20-24 this year and the celebration is being carried out through the Detroit FFA Chapter with special functions and activities recognizing the special week.

The celebration of National FFA Week offers a unique opportunity for chapters to "tell the world" their story.

Specifically, this week is focused on activities related to public relations, recruitment, agricultural literacy, community service and chapter excitement.

The Rivercrest Chapter boasts 94 members and three instructors, Jimmy Rogers, Craig Ingram and Kenny Swinford.

They have a co-op program, pre-employment meat lab and horticulture lab. These three programs are for students interested in entering the workforce after graduation. They also offer 20 ag classes each year.

The Chapter has attended the District Convention in Mt. Vernon this year and the Area Convention in Gladewater. In July they will attend the State Convention to be held in

Houston. The fall leadership contests included the Quiz Team, placing second in District; Chapter Conducting Team; and they participated in Creed Speaking.

They will participate in the Spring Judging Contest, Dairy and Livestock, Public Speaking, Plant Identification, Farm Business Management, Land Judging, Forestry and Horse Judging competitions.

Members sold sausage and fruit for their fund-raising activities.

The Chapter tries to attend all FFA functions and at the present time are preparing themselves and their projects for spring county shows that are quickly approaching.

Along with the Detroit High School FFA Chapter, more than 417,000 FFA members from across the nation will celebrate National FFA Week.

During the week, FFA members in 7,545 local chapters will conduct activities to educate the public on the importance of the agricultural indus-

try to the nation and to the world

Students will be involved in activities to promote and publicize the activities and the value of their experiences through the agricultural education program to their communities.

National FFA Week is conducted each year during the week of George Washington's birthday to recognize his leadership and commitment to American agriculture.

The National FFA Center is located on part of Washington's original Mount Vernon estate near Alexandria, VA.

FFA is a national organization of 401,000 members in 7,800 local chapters preparing for leadership and careers in the science, business and technology of agriculture.

Local, state and national activities and award programs provide opportunities for students to apply knowledge and skills acquired through their agricultural education.

FFA members strive to develop agricultural leadership, cooperation and citizenship.

91-92 94-95
92-93 95-96
93-94



In a Row!
Congratulations
Rivercrest District
Basketball Champs
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Plans finalized for 1946 reunion

A meeting was held recently to finalize plans for the Bogata High School 1946 Graduating Class' 50th reunion.

Jimmy Lou Smith Pope, Edna Mae Stevens Hadaway, Joann Gill Pike and Billie Mae Scoggins Lindsey made final arrangements to have the reunion at the Bogata Community Center starting at 11:00 a.m. with a barbecue lunch being catered at 12:00 noon, lasting until Homecoming that

evening.

All classmates that graduated and those that were in the class who for some reason did not attend last year, as well as friends and teachers are invited to come and celebrate during the Homecoming.

Send your reservations along with \$6.00 per person attending to Jimmy Lou Pope, P.O. Box 187, Bogata, TX 75417, no later than March 20, 1996. See you there!

Bogata Lions Club to hold county wide political forum

On March 2, the Bogata Lions Club will hold a county wide political forum and stew supper/pie auction in the cafeteria of Rivercrest High School. Along with the District Judge candidates, all persons seeking office in Red River County will be personally invited to attend. Some of your county offices are uncontested, however, everyone should have an opportunity to meet and talk with their elected representatives. Each person registered with the county clerk as running for an office will receive a personal invitation to the forum. "Why would a candidate for precinct three commissioner want to come to a forum in precinct one?" you might ask. Each commissioner is responsible for spending and investing our tax money wisely with the whole county in mind. The Lions Club feels that it is in the county's best interest and would make prudent business sense for there to be a working relationship between the commissioners in each precinct and residents of all precincts.

The forum will be relaxed with each prospective candidate receiving five minutes to state their platform and make any comments (that are

positive). There will be no form of derogatory statements or inferences permitted by any speaker concerning his or her opponents or predecessor. No straw polls will be taken. Candidates will be encouraged to meet as many of the residents as time will permit before and after the forum, pass out cards and even kiss babies if they choose.

The stew supper will start at 4:00 PM. with the proceeds helping fund the Eyeglass and Scholarship Programs. There will be no set price per bowl. You determine what it's worth for children who can't afford to buy glasses to be able to read their lessons. The forum will begin at 6:00 and will continue until all candidates have been allowed their five minutes. A pie auction will follow the forum and will benefit other Lion's Club charities within the county.

The Bogata Lions Club looks forward to a positive evening of fellowship with residents from throughout the county. In the event of severe weather, the rain date will be the following Saturday, March 9. Rivercrest High School is located approximately four miles southeast of Bogata on Highway 271.



THE BOGATA Volunteer Fire Department has responded to several grass fires later due to the extremely dry conditions. This one was located at Shadowland and both Bogata and Deport VFDs responded. The fire surrounded two houses and a barn, all of which were saved. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)

People 'n Things

Friday, February 21

Rivercrest High School Rebels Boys Basketball Team will meet Lone Oak at Sulphur Springs to play for Area championship.

Thursday, February 22

Rosalie Masonic Lodge 527 will meet at 7:30 p.m.

Notice

Fulbright Community Stew Supper on March 9 beginning at 5:00. This event is to raise funds for the improvement of the community center.

Jo Ann Howard, candidate for the U.S. Senate, will be at John Howison's home in Bogata at 10:00 a.m. Thursday morning, Feb. 22 for everyone to visit with.

The Rivercrest Booster Club reminds everyone to wear your Rebel colors for all of the remaining games as the Rebels try to make their way to State.

The Rivercrest Rebels will travel to Sulphur Springs Friday Feb. 23 to face Lone Oak in Bi-District competition. The game will begin at 7:00 p.m. Admission will be \$2.00 for students and \$4.00 for adults. Everyone is encouraged to come out and support the Rebs.

The Lady Rebel Softball team will host Chapel Hill at Johntown Tuesday Feb. 27 at 5:00 p.m. Everyone is encouraged to come out and support our girls.

The Rivercrest Booster Club Resolutions Committee will meet Monday Feb. 26 at 7:00 p.m. at Rivercrest High School. The purpose of the meeting will be to review the by-laws and attend to other business matters. Everyone on this committee is encouraged to attend if possible.

Bogata Homecoming
April 13, 1996
Don't Miss It!!

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Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. is pool night. Thursday at 7:00 p.m. is "42" time and every Saturday at 1:30 is Bingo playing time.

The VFW and its Auxiliary meets every second and fourth Monday at 7 p.m.

Milton Tidwell Band will play for a dance at the VFW Post 8187 in Bogata February 24 Starting at 8:00 p.m. come on out and enjoy our new dance floor. You must be 21 to be admitted after 7:00 p.m.

*Happy February birthdays to Daphny Pointer, Marie Carr, Helen Barnett and Jim Garrett

*Welcome to Bogata From Cuthand to J.D. and Helen Barnett and Wanza Sheffield.

*Get well wishes to Scotch Mayes who is very ill in the VA Hospital in Dallas. Also to Audrey Gillis, J.D. and Helen Barnett, Gordon Tabb and J.D. Ballard.

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Bogata Lions Club needs freezers

Bogata Lions Club needs 2 non working chest freezers donated to them. Will pick up. Please call 903-632-4844 or 632-5447.

Remember

Follow the speed limits on the street by Thomas Park in Bogata. The speed limit is 35 miles per hour. Watch closely for our children and old people.



SINGING-among those who entertained the crowd at the Rosalie Community Center Volunteer Fire Department Chili and Stew Supper Saturday night was Ralph Cawley. Also singing were Judy Sherrill, Susan Roach and Carol Lampard. The Fund Raiser was a big success. (Staff Photo by Judy Screws)

Card of Thanks

We wish to thank everyone who came to help us celebrate our 50th wedding anniversary...

Wilbourne, Genevva and Johnie Lee

Card Of Thanks

The family of W.N. Dodd would like to express our gratitude for the expressions of love shown from the people of Bogata...

Thanks again, The Children of W.N. Dodd

Card of Thanks

Thanks so much for the cards, calls, visits and messages of encouragement from everyone during my recent lengthy hospital stay...

Arthur Gibson

Card Of Thanks

We would like to thank everyone who helped in any way to make things easier for us after our home burned.

Thanks again, Mark & Sherry Eudy & Family



Country Cooking

By Liz Irwin

We are dedicating this week's column to the "Father of our Country", George Washington. Since everyone had the opportunity to celebrate his birthday on February 19...

Everyone knows of the infamous story of "Little George" chopping down the cherry tree. Rumor has it that he did not really chop down the tree...

Now on to the really good stuff... FOOD! If it was true about the cherry tree bit, everyone needs to keep up with some new recipes using cherries.

We are sharing recipes for Cherry Banana Cake, Cherry Crunch, Cherry Mash Candy, Cherry Peach Flambe, Cherry Punch and Cherry Salad.

Baseball and Softball Association Meeting planned

The Bogata Baseball and Softball Association will have a meeting Monday night, February 26 at 7:30 p.m. at the Bogata Community Center.

This meeting is to organize teams and to elect officers for the year. All coaches, officers and interested parents are urged to attend.

Wayne N. Dodd Dies February 13

Wayne N. Dodd, age 101 of Bogata, died Tuesday, February 13 in Red River Healthcare Center, Bogata.

Services were held at 11:00 a.m. Friday, February 16 in Bogata Assembly of God Church with the Rev. Donnie Sherrill officiating.

Mr. Dodd was born May 28, 1894 in Alabama, the son of James Taylor and Mahaley Strickland Dodd. His wife, the former Irene Darnell, preceded him in death May 21, 1952.

He is survived by four daughters, Faye Horn, Neva Ford Whitten, Novell King and Ruth Whitten; and five sons, Jerry T. Dodd, M.J. Dodd, Grady Dodd, S.E. Dodd and W.T. (Bill) Dodd, all of Bogata.

Malcolm Burl Morrison Dies February 13

Malcolm Burl Morrison, age 78 of Valley View, formerly of Cunningham, died Tuesday, February 13 in Gainesville.

Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, February 17 in Life Tabernacle Church in Cunningham with the Rev. Larry Huffman and the Rev. Joe Merrill officiating.

Mr. Morrison was born March 3, 1917 in Cunningham, the son of John and Ola Taylor Morrison. He married Maxine Ewana Gerer in Norman, OK on February 24, 1944.

Survivors include his wife; one daughter, Sharon Kay Prague of Eules; one son, Gary Morrison of Valley View; seven grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; two brothers, John Clovis Morrison of Paris and Boyce Morrison of Columbia, LA; and a sister, Eula Holcomb of Bogalusa, LA.

Mrs. Jessie Blankenship Dies February 19

Mrs. Jessie Leon (Wilson) Blankenship, age 91 of Houston, died Monday, February 19 in Houston.

Services were held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, February 21 at Bates-Cooper-Weems-Robinson Chapel with the Rev. Jim Parker officiating.

Mrs. Blankenship was born June 5, 1904 in Mt. Vernon, a daughter of Sidney Francis and Willie Cooper Wilson. She was preceded in death by her husband, Johnny Blankenship; a son, Merkel Dean Blankenship; a daughter, Maxine Blankenship Rogers; one great-granddaughter, Amanda Roach.

Survivors include daughters, June and Bud Roach of Mt. Pleasant and Jean and Bill Holmes of Houston; six grandchildren; 15 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Jack N. Bell Dies February 19

Jack N. Bell, age 92 of Deport died in Deport Nursing Home on Monday, February 19, 1996. Graveside services were held Tuesday, February 20 at 10:00 a.m. in Highland Cemetery at Deport with the Rev. Sam Campbell officiating.

Mr. Bell was born February 1, 1904 in Deport, the son of J. Frank and Minnie Grant Bell. He was a farmer and worked at the Deport Cotton Gin for several years.

Survivors include nieces Regina Webb and Madeline Norman, who have been his caregivers for a number of years; several nieces and nephews, and numerous cousins; and a sister-in-law, Ruth Bell of Garland.

Anna Mae Holt Dies February 18

Anna Mae Holt, age 84 of Roxton died Sunday, February 18 in St. Joseph's Hospital and Health Center, Paris.

She was born May 12, 1911 in Lamar County, a daughter of Charles and Laura Edella Rogers Coker. She married Willie Jones on June 2, 1933. He preceded her in death February 25, 1987.

She was a member of the First Baptist Church in Roxton and was a retired salesperson for the Baptist Sunday School Book Store.

Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday in the Roxton First Baptist Church with the Rev. Jerry Moore officiating. Burial was in Restland Cemetery under the direction of Fry-Gibbs Funeral Home.

Bearers were Charles Walker, Don Nelson, Pat Coplin, Keith Perry, Kevin Perry and Randy Pendleton.

Survivors include a daughter, Lou Ann and Neal Perry of Roxton; two stepsons, Dr. B.B. (Spikie) and Shirley Holt of Houston and Dale and Roxann Holt of Colleyville; three grandchildren, Keith and Cynthia Perry, Karen and Randy Pendleton, all of Roxton and Kevin and Klarisa of Deport; six great-grandchildren and six step-grandchildren; and one step great-grandchild; a brother, Howard Coker of Roxton; two sisters, Faye and Louise Arnold, both of Paris; two sisters-in-law, Vana Coker of Paris and Allene Coker of California and one brother-in-law, James Holt of Milton.



Dr. and Mrs. Gregory Montoya are proud to announce the birth of their son, Stephen Zachary Montoya (Zach), born February 5, 1996. Zach was born at Northeast Baptist Hospital in San Antonio and weighed 7 lbs. 12 oz. and was 20.5 inches long.

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Fulbright News By Betty Rodgers 652-6051

Worth and Karen Baker visited Mrs. Fannie Guillion, Mrs. Connie Little, Mrs. Alta Murray, Mrs. Lucy Leidy and Sonja Andrews in Dallas over the weekend. Harold Epps of Mt. Vernon visited Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Ethel Epps. Ethel Epps, Jimmie King and Loyd Cavender were visitors Friday night of Mable Austin of Clarksville. Melissa Arriaga, Betty Rodgers, Monte and Shelley Rodgers and Marlae Bolin attended the PTO sponsored musical at Prairiland school Saturday night. Mrs. Kyle King of Reno visited Jimmie King Friday. Dick King of Reno was a visitor Saturday. Kay Osburn of Paris spent Saturday night with her mother and they went to the musical at the Old Clarksville Theatre and ate out. Kay went home Sunday after church.

Cunningham News
By Jane O'Neal 652-6062

Mac Morrison died in Gainesville recently and was buried here on Saturday. He was born and raised in Cunningham. Sympathy is extended to the family.

A Valentine banquet was held at Life Tabernacle on Wednesday. A program and games were presented by various members present. All reported a good time.

A Valentine banquet was held at Cunningham Baptist Church on Friday. The FFA Talent Team presented some of the program. All reported a good time.

Kendra Hicks and Deanna Merrill, along with Jonathan Newman of Minter and Dustin May of Blossom make up the Prairiland FFA Talent Team. They won District competition and went on to win Area competition also. They will compete for the state title in July in Houston. We wish them good luck.

Jerrold Bankhead and Susan McDade were honored with a wedding shower at Abundant Life Church in Minter on Sunday.

Chad and Deanna Legate presented their baby, Brooklyn Cashae, for dedication on Sunday at Life Tabernacle. His parents, Gaylon and Kay Legate of Bogata and his grandparents, also from Bogata, attended. Her mother, Brenda Watson, and her grandmother,

Marie Watson were present, along with other members of their family and friends.

Dennis Temple of Clearlake City and Vleta Swiam of Grand Prairie spent the weekend with Clyde and Bobbye Slusher.

Boyce and Mary Helen Morrison of Columbus, LA spent the weekend with Clovis and Donnie Morrison.

Silas and Juanita Taylor and Elvis Wright went to Mansfield, LA for a visit with Kerry and Mildred Wright on Wednesday.

On Friday, Silas and Juanita Taylor went to Tulsa, OK to visit Mr. and Mrs. Larry Taylor and help their grandson celebrate his first birthday.

Talma Norwood visited Almer and Alma Norwood on Monday.

Having Sunday dinner with Marie Watson were Jarvis Watson and Rene Hindrix of Texarkana, Bruce Watson, Vicki Davis, Brad, Bradlee and Brett Watson.

Dennis Temple of Houston and Vleta Swiam of Grand Prairie were here to attend the funeral of Mac Morrison of Valley View. They also visited Bobbye and Clyde Slusher.

Boyce and Mary Helen Morrison of Columbus, LA visited Clyde and Bobbye Slusher while here over the weekend attending the funeral of Mac Morrison.



SUITED UP-The Rebel mascot, Susan Robinett, is suited up and ready to play when Coach Wood calls. The Rebels defeated the Chisum Mustangs Friday at Prairiland in a playoff for first place in District 18AA. The call for help never came as the Rebel team took a big win. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Center to sponsor workshops

Region VIII Education Service Center, 2230 North Edwards Avenue in Mount Pleasant, is sponsoring the following workshops for the month of March that might be of interest to school staff and parents who work with children with disabilities: Low Vision Aids, March 8, from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.; Psychiatric Informa-

tion, March 18 from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. (There is a \$5.00 fee for this one) and Collaborations That Work, March 27 from 2:30 until 4:00 p.m.

For more information, please contact Martha Collins at Region VIII ESC. 903-572-8551.

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HONORED-Rivercrest and Talco-Bogata Counselor, Kay Kennedy was honored Feb. 9 by the Rivercrest staff with a cake in celebration of Counselor's Week. Kay declares she did not eat all to the cake by herself. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

To Participate in The Bogata Lions Club's Flag Program please clip and mail, along with \$15.00 to:

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W.T. (TaterBill) Dodd
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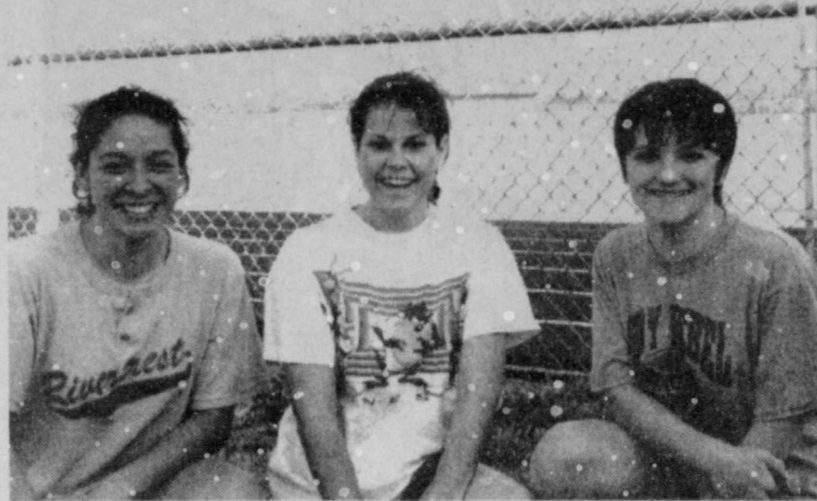
You will be in good hands if you elect W. T. Dodd as your Commissioner on March 12, 1996.

If elected, brush will be cut and hauled off the side of the roads, the ditches will be maintained, culverts will be cleaned out so water will not run over the roads and the pothole truck will run whenever possible. With my experience and knowledge of heavy equipment, I believe I can save enough money on repairs to pay my salary. This will help the tax payers. With this type operation the tax payer can save on school bus, county and personal vehicle expenses.

Quite a number of years ago the Commissioner of Precinct 1 worked and maintained our roads and was manager enough to get by on the money allocated to him instead of borrowing. He and his men did their own maintenance. He was a working Commissioner, as I intend to be. (We still have the same amount of roads we had then). I believe in running a tight ship in the county barn and at the Court House. I have attended Commissioners Court and I will stand up for Precinct 1 and not be intimidated by anyone. We need this kind of leadership in Government. We can not barrow our way out of debt but we can work our way out. You have a voice in your Government so be heard.

VOTE for W. T. (TaterBill) Dodd on March 12, 1996!

Pol Adv. Pd. Ry W. T. Dodd, Rt. 1, Box 240-A, Bogata, Tx. 75417



SENIORS-(left to right) Norma Jasso, Crystal Bell and Jaime Swarts will play their final season as Lady Rebels on the Lady Rebel softball team. The girls will begin play Tuesday Feb.27 vs Chapel Hill beginning at 4:30 p.m. Everyone is encouraged to come out and support the team.(Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



Mrs. Scott Darren Belcher

A celebrity is one who is known to many persons he is glad he doesn't know.

—H.L. Mencken

Rivercrest Menu
Feb. 26-March 1, 1996



Monday

Breakfast
Waffles & Syrup
Juice, Milk
Lunch
Pizza
Corn
Fruit
Milk

Tuesday

Breakfast
Donuts
Peanuts
Juice, Milk
Lunch
Soft Taco
Refried Beans
Salad
Dessert
Milk

Wednesday

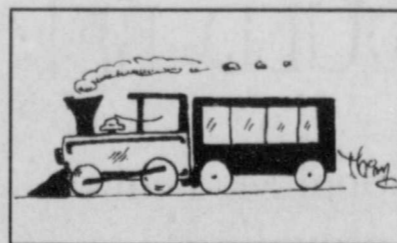
Breakfast
Sausage & Biscuit
Juice, Milk
Lunch
Steak Sandwiches
Baked Beans
Chips
Fruit Bar
Milk

Thursday

Breakfast
Cheese Toast
Juice, Milk
Lunch
Bar-B-Qued Weiners
Potatoes
Black-eyed Peas
Cornbread
Dessert
Milk

Friday

Breakfast
Cereal
Toast & Jelly
Juice, Milk
Lunch
Hamburgers
Seasoned Beans
Salad
Chips
Ice Cream
Milk



London's first subway line was operated by steam locomotives and opened in 1863.

Belcher-Bagley Marriage Vows Exchanged

Jennifer Jo Bagley and Scott Darren Belcher were united in marriage Saturday, February 17, 1996 at the First Baptist Church, Holliday. Brother Ronnie Lawson officiated the ceremony.

Jennifer is the daughter of Greg and Karen Bagley of Iowa Park, formerly of Bogata. She is the granddaughter of L.D. Tomlinson and the late Betty Tomlinson of Vernon, also Frances McMillin and the late John Bagley of Vernon.

Scott is the son of Mel and Karla Belcher of Holliday. He is the grandson of Quata Belcher of Holliday, and Bill and Lozelle Brackeen of Seymour.

Kerry Shaver played the piano. Doyle Walker sang "No Doubt About It" and "The Lord's Prayer". Other selections were "I'm Yours Now" and "The Parent's Prayer".

Candlelighters were Michael Heck and Zane Ruddy, both cousins of the bride.

White bows with black accents and iridescent hearts decorated the pews. Heart shaped candelabra were intertwined with Swedish ivy and red roses. White tulle and small lights ran across the balconies and through out the candelabra and arch.

Escorted to the altar by her father, the bride wore a white satin designer gown by Moonlight. The bodice was heavily beaded with sequins and pearls and lace insets. The sleeves were covered with sequins and pearls and closed with covered buttons, then coming to a petal point. The back of the dress had a heart silhouette cut out with stung pearls draping from the top to the bottom. Lace insets and sequins were scattered along the chapel train. The bride wore the blue garter that her mother had worn in her

parent's wedding. Her finger tip veil was gathered at the crown and held by small white roses and sequins. The bride's bouquet had open red roses scattered among Swedish ivy and gypsum with rose buds trailing.

The maid of honor was Korie Wallace of Holliday, friend of the bride. Bridesmaids were Kristi Lawson of Holliday, Jennifer Parkey of Stephenville, both friends of the bride, and Courtney Heck of Wichita Falls, cousin of the bride.

The maid of honor and the bridesmaids wore two pieced black and brushed satin formal suits. The skirts were floor length with walking slits on the side. The fitted jackets with cap sleeves lapped over the front and had a diamond silhouette cut from the back. Each attendant carried a red rose and bud tied with white scalloped ribbon. Tiny guardian angels adorned the bouquets.

Trey Lawson was ring bearer. Sunny Shotts was flower girl and wore a white eyelet dress with a peeking petticoat.

Mel Belcher, father of the groom was best man. Jeff Belcher and Blake Belcher, brothers of the groom and Jeff Bagley, brother of the bride, were the groomsmen. They wore black tuxedos with white shirts and a black vest.

Ushers were Zachary Ruddy, Dustin Wallace and Pat Maxwell.

The reception given by the bride's parents was held in the fellowship hall following the ceremony. The bride's three tiered wedding cake was covered with white basket weave and scattered with white roses. A Precious Moments Bride and Groom porcelain figurine, a gift from the bride's grandfather, sat in the center tier. The table was decorated with

white silk rabbits dressed in a beaded wedding gown and veil and a black tuxedo, made by the bride's mother.

Attending the bride's table were Beckie Ruddy and Debbie Heck, both cousins of the bride, Sherry Roland and Karla Wallace, friends of the bride.

The groom's chocolate cake was designed as a baseball. The table had a holstein cow dressed in a baseball uniform. One of the groom's baseball mitts held the bride's bouquet. Bonnie Heck, aunt of the groom and Melanie Fitzgerald, cousin of the groom served.

A rehearsal supper was given by the groom's parents in the fellowship hall.

Several showers and luncheons were given, including a miscellaneous shower given by different members of the First Baptist Church in Holliday on January 7. January 13, a Lingerie Shower was given by Karla and Korie Wallace, Anna and Jean Parkey and Kristi Lawson.

A luncheon was held at Bogart's hosted by Margaret Soell and Rose Rose. Pictures of the bride were shared. The Bride's luncheon was held February 10. Hostesses were Debbie Heck, Beckie Ruddy, Jo Ann Stearns and Gerry Tomlinson. It was held at Faith Baptist Church.

Jennifer graduated from Holliday High School and is a Junior at Midwestern State University, majoring in Sports and Exercise Science.

Scott graduated from Holliday High School and Midwestern State University with a B.A degree. He is employed by Jacksboro ISD.

After a short wedding trip the couple will make their home in Antelope.

Posters sought for YWCA Art Fair

The Paris Art Fair, sponsored by the YWCA of Paris and Lamar County, is seeking entries for its 1996 poster contest, according to Priscilla Merriman, YWCA director.

Entries in watercolor, oil, pen and ink, mixed media and photography will be accepted through Friday, March 15, 1996 at the YWCA, 308 S. Main, Paris. Since the Art Fair will move back to the downtown Paris area this year, poster ideas which incorporate a theme of celebrating our heritage will be given preference.

The 1996 Paris Art Fair poster will be printed during April. For more information or to receive a current brochure, call the YWCA at 903-785-5221 or send inquiries to YWCA, 308 S. Main, Paris, Texas, 75460.



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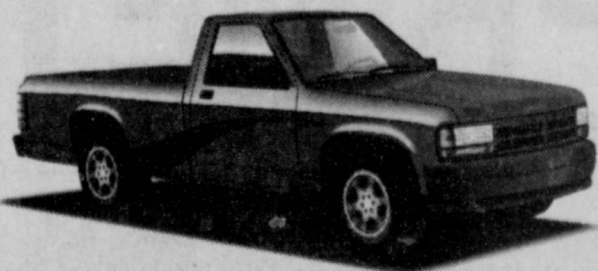
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SWEETIES-Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Leake of Talco celebrated their 71st Valentine's Day together Wednesday. The couple were married in the fall of 1924 and are looking forward to celebrating 72 years this fall. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



NEW TEACHER-Pamela Martin is the newest addition to the Talco School campus. She is the new Resource teacher, taking the place of Darryl Stockton who retired at mid-term due to illness. Mrs. Martin and her eight year old son, Logan live in DeKalb and have plans to move to Talco soon. Mrs. Martin is a graduate of ETSU at Texarkana and is trained in Special Education. She is Programs Director and Vice-President of Student Council for Exceptional Children of ETSU in Texarkana. This is her first year of teaching and she reports thoroughly enjoying her job and students. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

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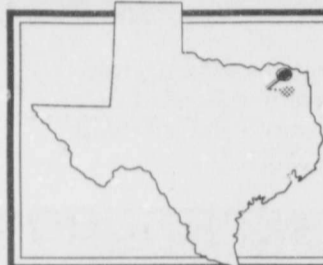
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JOHNTOWN LOCALS
By Jana Hawkins
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Mrs. Nannie Belle Ham of Deport visited Tuesday with Mrs. Dorothy Foster. Her Saturday visitors were a cousin, Jim Childers, and daughters, Mrs. Eldrine Calbara and granddaughter Jimmie Ruth Childers all of Streetman and Mrs. JoAnn Mayes of Fort Worth.

Betty Evans and Megan Sparks of Mount Vernon were lunch guests of Tommie Lee and Joyce and Glenda Cox. They also visited Monday again and visited with Donald Wilson of Bogata.

Eugene Cox visited Saturday with Joyce, Tommie Lee and Glenda Cox.

Cindy, Gary, Sean and Steven Robertson of Euless visited with Joyce, Tommie Lee and Glenda Cox on Sunday.

Eugene and Pat Cox and Helen Copeland and Glenda Cox enjoyed spending Monday in Texarkana.

Mark and Jana Hawkins enjoyed spending Monday in Shreveport.

James and Pauline Gibbs, Jana, Haley and Heather Hawkins enjoyed eating at Pizza Hut on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Barnard, Lawanza and Eddie had as week end visitors his uncle, Jim Childers, and daughters, Jimmie Ruth and Eldrine Calbara, and Granddaughter of Streetman and Mrs. JoAnn Mayes of Fort Worth. They also visited his sister, Mrs. Ida Barnard, at Red River Healthcare Center at Bogata.

Mrs. Thelma Anderson of Roxton visited with Dorothy Foster on Friday. She also visited with Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Hervey.

Friday night supper guests and Saturday dinner guests of Donald, Jane and Lawanza Barnard were Jim Childers, Eldrine Calbara, Brittany Douglas of Kirvin, JoAnn Mayes of Fort Worth and Jimmy Ruth Childers. They all returned home on Saturday.

David Bishop spent the night with Donald, Jane and Lawanza Barnard on Friday.

Tresa, Runt and David and Lisa Bishop of Pattonville were supper guests Friday of Donald, Jane and Lawanza Barnard.

Rosalie Community Center and Fire Department report

By Jack Dodd

The regular meeting was held for February on Tuesday February 13, 1990. The meeting was called to order by Jack Dodd, President. Nancy Bowden gave the financial report.

New business included 16 more new chairs. A total of \$21,871.48 has been donated and raised by the Rosalie Community Center and Volunteer Fire Department since February 1994. The fund raiser for the 17th of February was discussed. Chili, stew, sweets and entertainment will make for an entertaining evening. The Hinson Cemetery is 90% complete with all grave stones sitting in their upright original position. We will set 6 guard rails and 12 posts in front of the community center building and decide about the rest of the parking lot.

More new business-The Bogata Lions political meeting was discussed for March 2 with total local support. The next new business was the election of officers for the next year. The nominating committee made the following recommendations; President, Gene Bowden, Vice President, Johnny Ragsdill, Secretary/Treasurer Billie Garrison and Director David Anderson. Additional nominations

were asked for from the floor. None were made. Each office was elected on an individual basis with all nominating recommendations accepted. Thanks to the nominating committee of C.D. Glass, Chairman, Johnny Ragsdill, Faye Conine, Rhea Epps and Joe T. Kelsey.

Bernie Huddleston will continue as Fire Chief and John Brooks as Assistant Chief.

Jack Dodd thanked the group for 2 years of hard work and with a great sigh of relief gave the gavel to the new president, Gene Bowden. Gene

pledged to lead us for the next year to new heights.

A plaque naming all 1994 and 1995 officers was presented and placed on the wall during the meeting.

New leadership, new ideas of new horizons we all look forward to 1996.

A man asked me the other day at the Rosalie Store, "What kind of people live in Rosalie? You see I am moving here." I asked what kind of people were in the community he was moving from. He said, "They were fussy, narrow minded, disagreeable people." I answered, "Well you will find the same kind in Rosalie." We find what we are looking for.

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GTE files request to recover expenses

GTE applied with the Public Utility Commission of Texas on February 7 to recover from customers \$16.6 million for revenue losses resulting from the mandated expansion of toll-

free calling areas to over 250 smaller communities across the state. The expanded calling areas were required by Senate Bill 632 passed by the 1993 Texas Legislature.

The legislation allowed the PUC to set rules for communities with less than 10,000 telephone lines, and outside of metropolitan areas, to expand local calling areas where there is a community of interest, such as county government, churches, a school district, hospitals and doctors. The service is called expanded local calling (ELC).

The law, passed in 1993, allows the additional costs and investment, as well as lost long-distance revenues associated with ELC, to be recovered by assessing customers in the requesting community a monthly charge of no more than \$3.50 for each residential line and \$7 for each business line. Revision of the law in 1995 limited the number of distant calling areas that can be added to the local calling area for the \$3.50 and \$7 minimum charges to five. Additional calling areas over the five limit will include an additional \$1.50 a month for both residential and business lines for each additional calling area.

When approved by the PUC, customers in areas with ELC service who are not paying the maximum \$3.50 residential or \$7 business rate will see charges for ELC increased to the maximum. Customers not paying an ELC charge will receive a \$1.06 monthly surcharge per line.



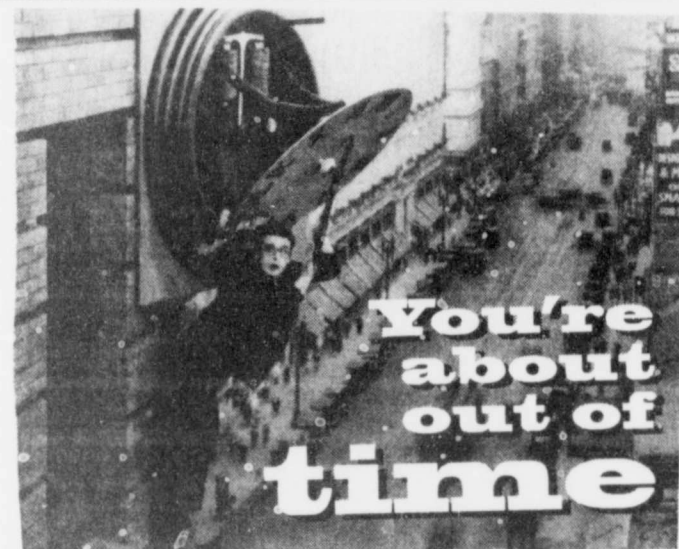
HOW GREEN DOES YOUR GARDEN GROW-very well at the Rivercrest greenhouse. Horticulture class members (left to right) Dee Tabb, Mandi Alford, Kelly Anderson, Sandi Davis and Kenda Guess display some of the plants they have helped to grow. The teacher for the class is Kenny Swinford. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

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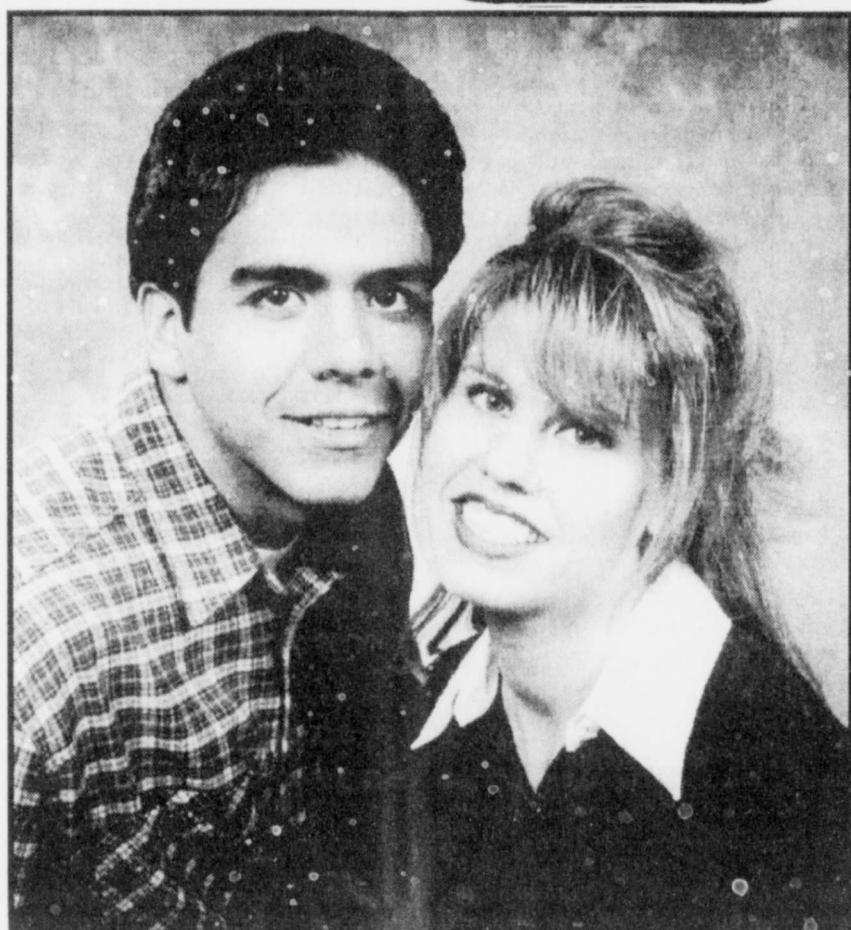
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Cheryl Annette Hart with fiance Eduardo José Márquez

Hart-Márquez to exchange vows

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hart of Detroit are proud to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Cheryl Annette Hart to Eduardo José Márquez.

The couple will be married Saturday, March 16 at 6:00 p.m. at DeShong Chapel in Paris. The Rev. Morris Nelms will officiate the formal ceremony.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Katherine Hart of Detroit and the late M.L. Hart and Dorothy Owen

of Detroit, and the late Edward Odell Owen. She is a graduate of North Lamar High School in Paris and California State University in Sacramento. She is employed by Page Mart in Dallas.

Her fiance is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Elio Márquez of San Felipe, Venezuela. He is a graduate of Fray Luis Amigo, San Felipe and attends the Universidad Politecnica, Barquisimeto, Venezuela.

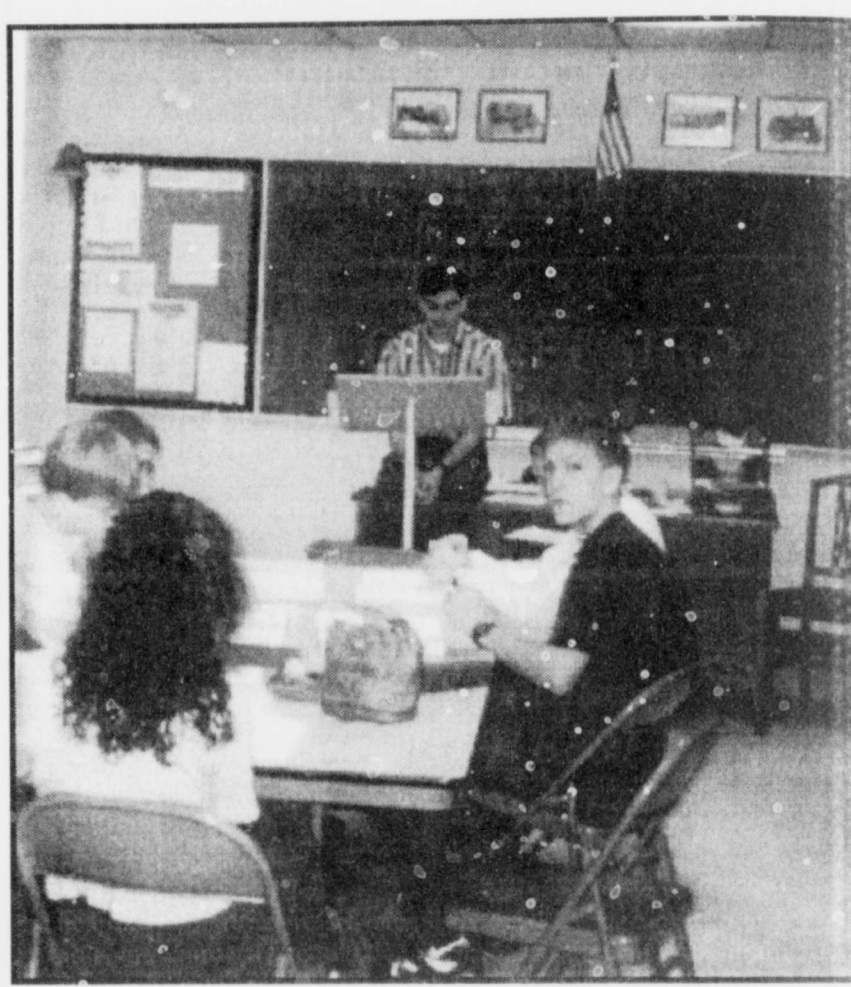
Bull Fertility/Management clinic to be held March 6

Area beef producers are invited to a bull fertility and management clinic to be held Wednesday, March 6 at the

Stewardson Animal Hospital on Hwy. 82 west in Clarksville. Producers may bring their bull(s) to the hospital between 9:00 a.m. and noon for a breeding soundness examination which includes fertility testing. The cost will be \$20 per bull. Merck, the manufacturer of Ivomec wormer will provide Ivomec for all bulls tested.


Lunch will be served at noon at the hospital and will be sponsored by North Texas Production Credit Association and Federal Land Bank. The program will begin at 1:00 p.m. and will include Dr. Randall Grooms, Extension Livestock Specialist to address bull selection which will include live animal evaluation. Terry Kirkpatrick of Merck will also present a program on parasite control in bulls.

All area producers are encouraged to bring bulls and or attend the noon meeting. This activity is sponsored by the Red River County Extension office and Extension Beef and Forage Committee. Please contact the Extension office at 427-3867 if you have questions.



CLASS TIME-Agriculture teacher Kenny Swinford holds class at Rivercrest. Mr. Swinford also keeps students busy in the greenhouse in his horticulture class.


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PAN-AMERICAN STUDENT FORUM—pictured are the Pan-American Student Forum members for 1995-96. These student are members of the state Spanish Club. Several of the members will be traveling to San Antonio in April for the state convention. The members are;(top row left to right) Teacher Pam Hays, Lindy Phillips, Marla Williams, Erric Martin and Karen Williams Fourth Row(left to right) Carlos LeClaire, Tawana Sanders, Kristi Hines, LaQuesia Norman and Deidre Brown. Third Row(left to right) Katy Connell, Jennifer Roberts, Tisha Fulbright, Tosha Nickerson, Paty Lozoya and Donna Harrison. Second Row (left to right) Teresa Torres, LaTisha Miles, Tasha Brown, Sara Stanley, Mandy Williams and Bonnie Phillips. Front Row (left to right) Maribel Prado, Broderick Fulbright, Norma Jasso and Jeff Brown. Not pictured are; Dru Denison, Amanda Franks, Tabitha Marin, Bryan Scott and Julie Watkins. The club works very hard during the year at the basketball concession stand in order to raise money for their hotel expense during the convention. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

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Lunch
Pizza
Salad
Corn
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- Tuesday**
Breakfast
Pancakes
Syrup
Juice, milk
Lunch
Soft Taco
Beans
Salad
Dessert
Milk
- Wednesday**
Breakfast
Sausage And Biscuit
Juice, Milk
Lunch
Steak Sandwich
Chips
Baked Beans
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Milk
- Thursday**
Breakfast
Donuts
Juice, Milk
Lunch
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Black-eyed Peas
Potatoes
Cornbread
Dessert
Milk
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Mar.22	Sulphur Bluff*	Here 4:30 p.m
Mar.25	Prairiland (D.H.)*	Here 4:30 p.m
Mar.29	Cooper *	There 4:30 p.m.
Apr.1	North Hopkins(D.H.)*	Here 4:30 p.m
Apr.4	Saltillo *	Here 4:30 p.m
Apr.9	Sulphur Bluff*	Here 4:30 p.m
Apr.18-20	Bi-District Certification	TBA---TBA
Apr.22-27	Area Certification	TBA---TBA
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Rosalie Chili-Stew Supper Report

By Jack Dodd
The Chili, Stew, Sweets and entertainment went well at the Rosalie Community Center last Saturday evening. Thanks to all the singers, each one was enjoyed. All the ladies did a fine job of chili, sweets, cornbread and the works. The boys, Johnny Ragsdill and Joe Travis Kelsey cooked up two fine pots of stew. An thank s to all the rest who helped, including those who stood around and commented on the rest. We do have fun. With support as you all have given the past 2 years anything is possible to achieve. Good luck to the new officers. John Denison is doing a great job on the plans for the Fire zoning for Rosalie and the plat plan for the Hinson Cemetery.

Most of us have received far more and better things than we deserve. Write all your disappointments on one page. Now, write all your blessings on another page. Then ask yourself, "Would I give up all my blessings in order to eliminate all of my disappointments, or keep it as it is?"--Then quit your griping!!

Huddleston-Williams attend Valentine party

Molce Huddleston and Helen Williams attended a Valentine Party Wednesday afternoon in the board room at Red River General Hospital for members of the Auxiliary. It was hosted by Naomi Stearman, Wanda Varley and Ann Fleming. The Valentine motif was beautifully carried out on the tables and throughout the room. Door prizes and game prizes were awarded after which finger food, Valentine cake and red punch were served to twenty members.

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If you ain't "On Line", you ain't cool..... and other assorted facts of life

By David Teague

I've often said, I get my "Nichols Worth" every time I read Nanalee's column by that name.

If I were there and ran into you. I would definitely confirm that you look thinner. Your New Year's resolution is working. I think it's obvious even in your writing. One can't help but notice how the words just seem to flow. You can tell!

What bothers me, in my life is that I feel like the guy left standing at the station when the train pulled out. I'm not high-tech! I was just getting the Big Chief tablet-cedar pencil bit down good, when out they come with all this hi-tech stuff. Just yesterday they put a new law into effect that will revolutionize it even further. If I'm not mistaken, under the law, you will be able to talk over your TV, as if it were a telephone, while getting stock market reports from far away places like Hong Kong over your microwave, or something like that.

I can't begin to describe the negative feelings I already have about it all. Each morning as I begin to wake, it hits me. It comes in loud and clear, "You're not ON LINE." What makes

it even worse, I'm not real sure what that means. All I know is everybody who is anybody is "ON LINE".

Even the language is changing and I just don't get it. I can put a real good story on our little granddaughters, and they respond with "Cool". Their word cool rhymes with wool and sounds about three octaves higher than their normal voice. When I try to say it like they do, my eyes bug out and my glasses slide down on my nose.

This morning as I began to wake up and get around, I "flipped" on the news. They were reporting the fact that "Hootie and the Blowfish" had won the awards last night. It isn't their fault, but I don't even know who or what they may be. I guess we didn't have that species in Sulphur River when I was growing up.

With these things happening all around me that I don't understand, but seem to be the way of the future, I sometimes feel left behind.

Oh well, I'll just stand here looking at the back of the train as it rolls on out of sight.

Hey, that's COOL!!



1995-96 REBELS-(left to right back row) Coach Steve Weddle, Justin Smith, Jody Nolen, Clint Gage, Dru Denison, Broderick Fulbright, Eric Waller, Erric Martin, Alvin Savage, manager Kyle Hines and Coach Wake Wood. Front row (left to right) Cortney Huddleston, Jody Gray, Secrick Cuellar, Mitch Ellis, A.J. Lee, Jeff Savage and Michael Allea. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



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February 26-March 1
Monday

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Juice, milk
Lunch:
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Corn
Fruit
Milk

Tuesday

Breakfast:
Eggs, sausage, hash browns
Juice, milk
Lunch:
Taco salad
Beans
Dessert
Milk

Wednesday

Breakfast:
Oatmeal, toast
Juice, milk
Lunch:
Steak sandwiches
Corn chips
Fruit bar
Beans
Milk

Thursday

Breakfast:
Pancakes, applesauce
Juice, milk
Lunch:
Barbecue weiners
Tater tots
Blackeyed peas
Cornbread
Jello
Milk

Friday

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Juice, milk
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Cheeseburgers
Seasoned beans
Salad
Chips
Pickles
Ice cream
Milk

Wade White and the Plain Lable band will perform Saturday night, Feb. 24th at 7:00 p.m. at Love Civic Center. Tickets are \$5 and can be bought at the door. Proceeds go to benefit Lamar County Student Crime Stoppers.

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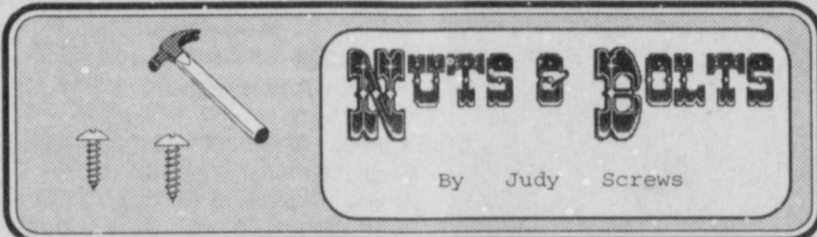
Mrs. O.W. Hudson honored her husband with a birthday dinner at their home. Attending were Mr. and Mrs. Luther DeBerry of Idabel, Oklahoma, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hudson and children, Barbara, Bobby, Frank and Judy of DeKalb, Mrs. Nell Sullivan of Deport, Mary Ripley of Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. John Forester, Mrs. Mack Dunn, Fred Prichard, Virgil Hudson, Larry Ripley the honoree and hostess.

Misses Janice Hawkins and Eleanor Vaughan, Spanky Hawkins and Avret Lynn Vaughan attended a birthday party for Mary Dryden in Talco.

Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Gibson, Mr. and Mrs. Travis Hale and Lennox Hudson attended a basketball game in Commerce



The windiest city in the US is Great Falls, Montana, where the average wind speed is 13.1 mph. Chicago, the notorious "windy city," actually ranks only 16th among the windiest cities in the US.



By Judy Screws

I really try to be a good mother and grandmother. I try not to meddle too much or offer too much unsolicited advice, but occasionally I feel that I can do something that will be really appreciated so I just go ahead without asking how the kids and grandkids feel about it. As a rule it turns out really well, because our family appreciates somebody doing nice things for them. We appreciate it more if it turns out right. I am leading up to a really good deed I did for my son and granddaughter. I had the best of intentions. The oldest granddaughter along with her two younger sisters and three of their friends spent the day with us during the snowy week end. She was wearing her dad's orange nylon jacket. Every time she went past me I noticed that the jacket looked stained and had a smell I didn't like, but she was in it and they were playing outside in the snow and were wet and cold so I could not take it off her and wash it.

The next day my opportunity came, though. The three granddaughters were back with us. She still had on the same jacket just in case she got outside in the messy weather. I think they were trying to protect her good jackets. This particular day the girls were not outside so they didn't need to wear their jackets. This was the perfect opportunity. How long can it take to throw a nylon windbreaker in the washer and dryer and give it back to the child nice and unstained and fresh smelling? Not long, Right? Well, I got the jacket and put it in the washing machine with the good smelling soap and fabric softener and relaxed just thinking how happy they would be when they saw the nice job I had done.

I heard the washer stop and went to move the jacket to the dryer. I'll never forget how I felt when I opened that washer and saw the mess of white globs all over the inside of it. I began taking them out, trying to figure out what was wrong. I took the jacket out and looked at the label. Now I look at the label. It said; premium goose down, dry clean only. It also had a very expensive name brand on it. When I began examining the jacket more closely, I found a seam which had been a little loose, allowing the feathers to come out. There was not one single feather left in the collar of that jacket. I decided that I had already made a mess so I might as well ride it out and make the best of it so I stuck it in the dryer and began the task of cleaning a million goose feathers out of my washing machine. It was a job I will try to avoid in the future. I've had Beechnut chewing tobacco, ink, kleenex, and B-Bs in my washer before but never goose feathers. It took about two hours for that jacket to dry. There was a waste basket full of feathers to take out of the dryer. We had feathers in our floor, on our furniture, in our food and on every surface in the area of the laundry room. I finally got it dry and repaired the seams which had come loose. I did not try to restuff the feathers in the jacket. It was funnier to me than it was to my son. He explained nicely to me that the instructions on the label were the reason they had not washed it.

I will sincerely try to remember to check labels before being so helpful with other people's business again. I had very good intentions, and I did find out what the funny smell was.

Red River County Sheriff's Report

February 11-17

February 11: Three inmates released, one released to pay fine, two released on bond; one animal complaint; one burglary on FM 114; one civil matter; one juvenile transported to Juvenile Detention Center.

February 12: One disturbance in Bogata; one suspicious activity; one released on bond; one released after being sentenced in court; one released to Henderson County on their warrants; an emergency message delivered in Bogata; two assaults; one arrested on family violence; two arrested and escorted to County Jail on commitment order; one arrested on DPS warrants.

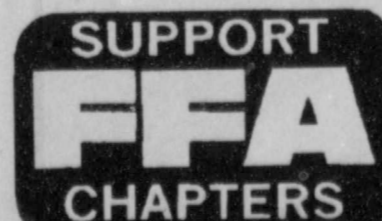
February 13: Two reports of forgery; four grass fires reported; three arrests on warrants; three released to other counties.

February 14: Four arrests on warrant service; two released on bail bond; two released with time to pay fines; one released after completion of probation status; one released to Titus County on their warrant; two thefts reported; one welfare concern; one report of indecency with a child; one civil matter; one prowler; one criminal mischief.

February 15: Two arrested on warrants; one report of criminal mischief; three reports of burglary of a building in Bogata; two animal complaints; one released with time to pay fine; one released on bail bond; one theft.

February 16: Five arrests, one of family violence, three for public intoxication, one for driving while intoxicated; one minor accident; one theft reported; one civil matter; one disorderly conduct; one welfare concern in Bagwell; one animal complaint in Detroit; one burglary of habitation.

February 17: One report of suspicious activity; one report of criminal mischief; two burglaries reported; five inmates released on bond and with time to pay fines; two grass fires reported; report of reckless driving; one assist motorist request on Hwy. 271; one arrested for public intoxication.



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Rivercrest Rebels to play Bi-District Feb.23

The long hard road to the State Tourney starts for the Rebels Friday night as they play the Lone Oak Buffaloes at Sulphur Springs High School at 7:00 p.m. Ticket price will be \$2.00 and \$4.00 for the bi-district game. The winner of this game will advance into area play and will play the winner of Ore City, LaPoyner at a site to be determined. The game will probably be played Tuesday at a neutral court. The Rebel staff has scouted Lone Oak three times and they are steadily improving. They upset the fourth ranked team in the state in their last district game. They beat Edgewood to force a district playoff, but lost to the powerful Edgewood team in the playoff game. Lone Oak really likes to run the ball. When they get the rebound, you had better get back on defense or they

are going to shoot lay-ups. They run the ball harder than anybody we have played, so we have got to stop their fast break. Also their pressure man to man defense is great. They have the best defense we have played against. They put excellent pressure on the ball and try to get you to play out of control. The third most important thing they do is shoot the three pointer. Their number 22 just can't be left open or he will really kill you with his treys. Their number 33 also shoots the trey plus he can penetrate. He's probably the best guard we have seen counting everything he does. One of their post moves outside against zones and shoots the trey. We have really got to move on defense and guard their shooters. We will match up over-all well against them. We are about the same size and we are nearly as

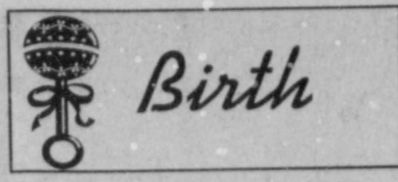
quick. They have three Senior starting players and we have two, so they have the experience advantage. We have better depth and this will help us," said Coach Wood. Lone Oak's last trip to the playoffs was two years ago when they were defeated by the ever powerful Troup Tigers. Rivercrest had won three straight bi-district games until last year when they were upset in bi-district by Grand Saline's Indians. The Rebels will be shooting to go to the Regional Tournament. The Rebels will have to beat Lone Oak and then the winner of the Ore City-LaPoyner game. The Regional Tournament will be at Tyler Junior College March 1 and 2. We wish Coach Wood and the Rebel team all the luck as they enter these playoff games.

Rivercrest Rebels 60-Prairiland Patriots-59

The Prairiland Patriots entered Rebel gym with upset thoughts on their minds Tuesday night and about did it loosing a heart throbbing one point game. The game was another disappointing loss for the Patriots as they fell to 4-6 in district 18 AA, which gave them a fourth place finish. The win was another great victory for the District Champions as this win improved the district record to 9-1 which set up Friday nights show down game with the Chisum Mustangs. Prairiland jumped out to a 17-10 first quarter lead and their patience and hot outside shooting kept the Rebels off balance. At the beginning

of the second quarter the Rebels changed defense as they went to their man to man pressure defense. The Rebels press begin to force turnovers and cut the Patriots lead to 27-24 by the half. The Rebels came out the second half and quickly took a five point lead, but the Patriots did not fold. The Pats regrouped and regained their composure and along with foul problems of the Rebels they fought back and took the lead during the fourth and final quarter. During the fourth quarter the lead changed hands several times. With :24 seconds left the Rebels trailed by one, 57-58, as Jeff Savage took a short jump shot which bounced off the rim

and Big Broderick Fulbright grabbed the rebound and put it in and drew the foul. Fulbright made the free throw and the Rebels led by two points, 60-58. Prairiland got possession of the ball and got it inside to their 6'4 postman. Again, Sophomore post, Fulbright made a big play as he fouled the Prairiland post, forcing him to make two free shots to tie the game. Day, was good on the first one but short on the second one and Fulbright came up with the rebound and was fouled with :1:04 seconds left in the game. Fulbright couldn't connect from the line and Prairiland made a desperate heave as the ball hit the rafters ending the game.



Jamal Lane Curtis arrived at Titus County Regional Hospital Saturday Feb. 17 at 9:30 p.m. weighing 7 lbs. 5 ozs. and 20 inches long. His parents are Mary Jane Savage and Jerry Curtis of Talco. Grandparents are Nola Savage of Talco, Margaret and Kirk Curtis of Talco.

Immunization clinic to be conducted

The Texas Department of Health, Public Health Region 4 & 5 North office, announced plans today for offering immunization services for all children on a daily basis, Monday through Friday.

Immunizations will not be offered anytime the nurse is absent from the clinic.

The clinic will be conducted at the Texas Department of Health, 1300 Highway 27 North, Clarksville.

Clinic hours will be from 8:30 a.m.-11:30 p.m. and 1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Contact your local Texas Department of Health clinic regarding additional clinic hours which may be available. Parents may call the clinic for an appointment for their child at 903-427-2851 or arrive on a walk in basis. Walk in patients may have to wait while appointment patients are seen at their scheduled appointment time.

The Health Department emphasizes that this clinic is available to all preschool and school age children, beginning at two months of age. Immunizations to be offered include Measles/Mumps/Rubella (MMR), Oral Polio (OPV), Diphtheria/Tetanus/Pertussis (DTP) and Tetanus/diphtheria (Td). The Haemophilus Influenzae type B (Hib) vaccine is also available to all children under 12 months of age. The pneumonia vaccine is available to all high risk patients. The Tetanus/diphtheria (Td) vaccine is available to adults. All children must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. Parents are reminded to bring child's immunization records, Social Security Number if it is available, and Medicaid number, if applicable. Should the parent or legal guardian have any questions, please contact: Jack Frost, Public Health Region 4 & 5 North Texas Department of Health, 1517 Front St. Tyler, Tx. 75702 (903) 595-3585.



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- '92 Chevy Silverado - Teal
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- '90 Chevy Sportside - Maroon
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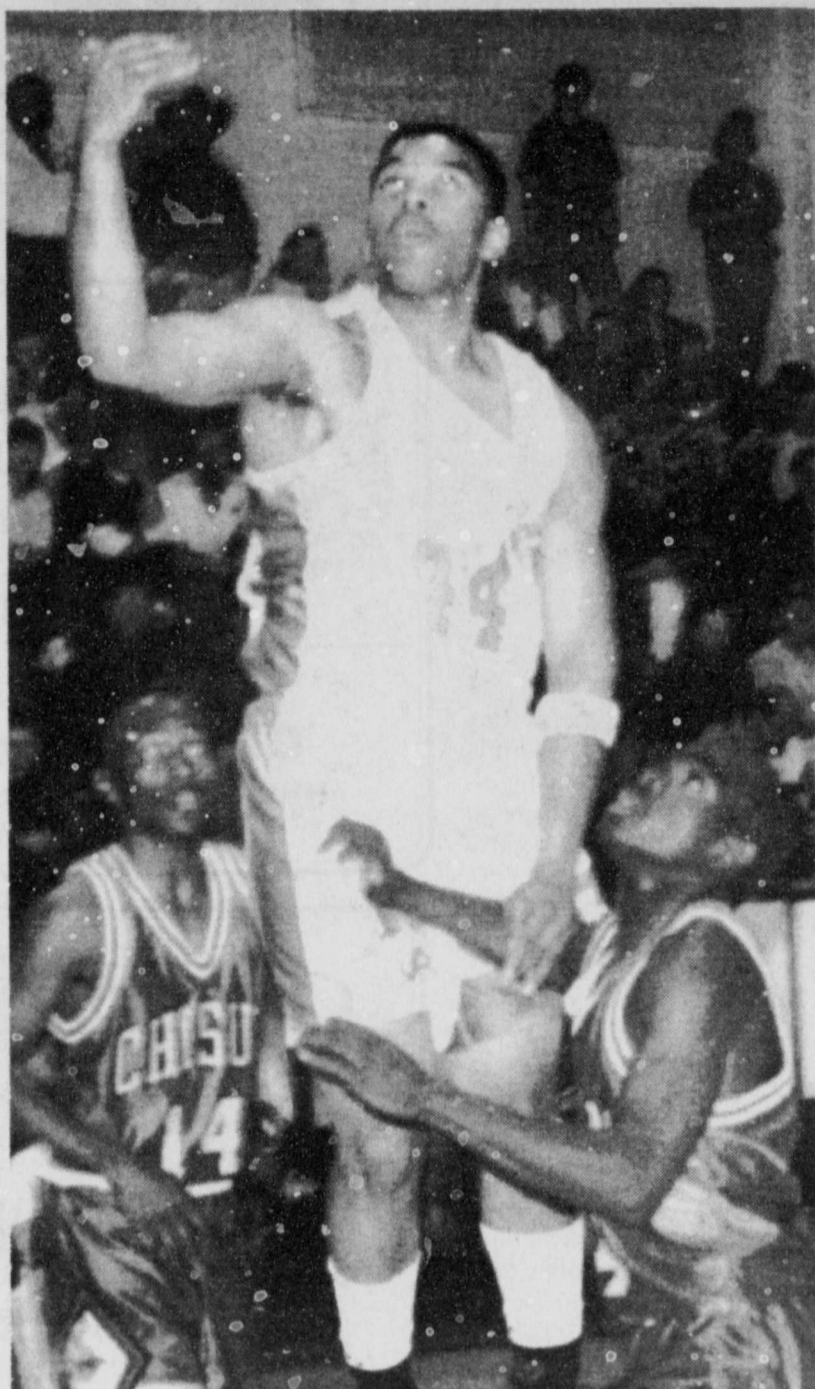
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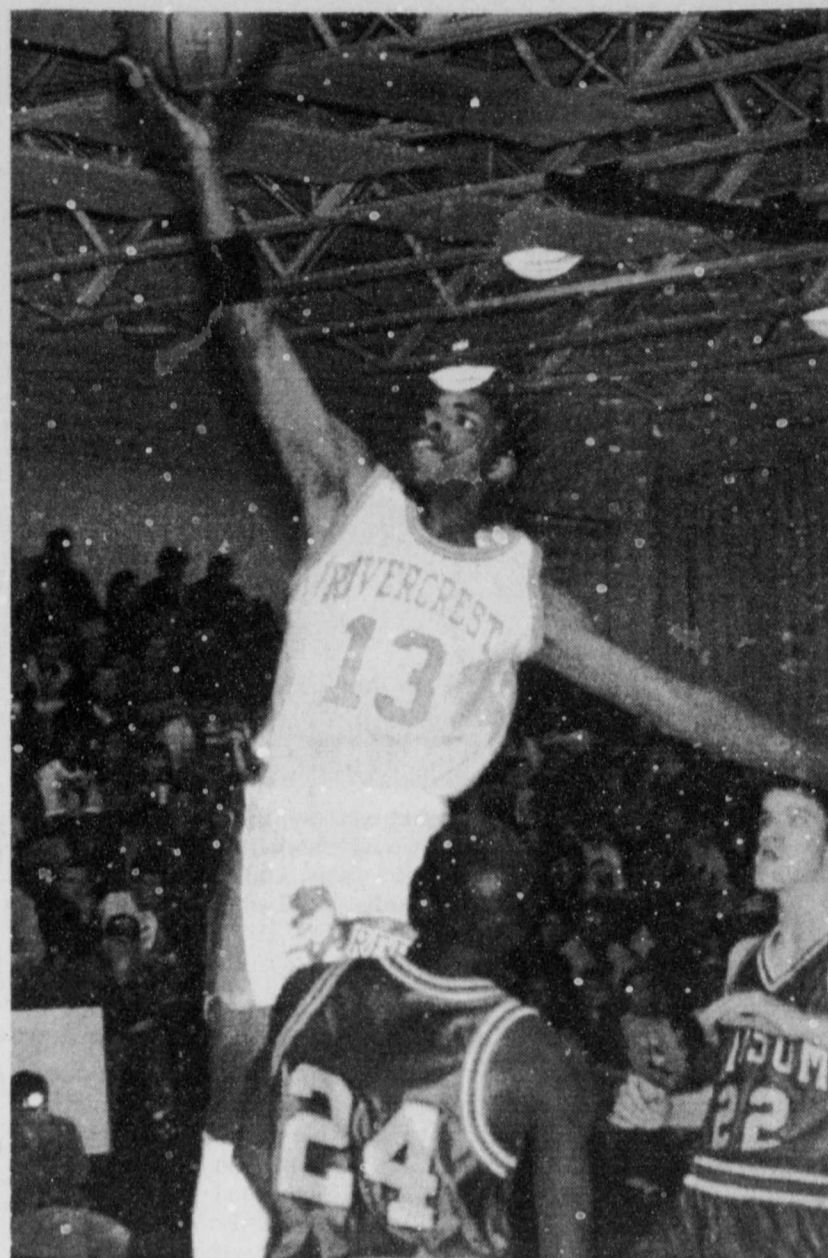
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LAY UP TIME-Rebel Alvin Savage goes in for the lay-up as the Rebels defeated Chisum for first place in District 18AA for the fifth year in a row.(Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



TRYING FOR THE TIP OUT-Rebel Broderick Fulbright is head and shoulders above these Chisum Mustangs in the battle for a rebound. The Rebels defeated the Mustangs to take possession of their fifth district 18AA title.(Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Rivercrest Rebels District Champions

The Rivercrest Rebels played the Chisum Mustangs Friday night at Prairiland to decide who would represent the district as the district champion and who would be the runner up.

The Rebs left no doubt before a packed house that they are still the king of district 18AA boys basketball. The Rebs and Mustangs had finished tied in district with identical 9-1 records. The Rebs had lost to Chisum at Rivercrest in overtime, but had beaten Chisum at Chisum by 25 points.

Friday nights game was a repeat of the last meeting as the Rebels defeated Chisum by a score of 76-57. The Rebels jumped out with a ten point first quarter lead. However, with point guard Jeff Savage picking up three quick fouls and sitting out the last four minutes of the second quarter, the Rebels lost their rhythm and Chisum came back to within two at the half as the teams entered the dressing room with Rivercrest leading 35-33.

The second half was all Rivercrest and they completely dominated the game all over the floor. They out defended, out ran, out shot and out rebounded the Mustangs.

Leading the offensive charge for the Rebels was Senior post Eric

Waller, who finished with 19 points. Waller's short jumpers were falling and he got out on the break for easy lay-ups. Controlling the boards the second half was Erric Martin and Broderick Fulbright.

Coach Wood said, "Martin attacked the boards and this was the hardest I've seen him rebound." Fulbright finished with 6 boards and 10 points. Coach Wood said of Fulbright, "Broderick's a great young person and is steadily improving. He has really been an impact for us. He is going to be a great one before he finishes."

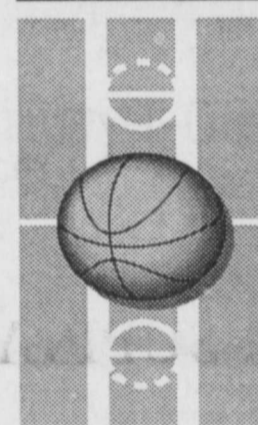
"I was very proud of Jeff Savage's play the second half. Jeff had three fouls at half time and was able to play the complete second half without fouling. Jeff's a very calm and cool basketball player. He really showed his value the second half as he took control of our offense for us and settled us down," commented Coach Wood.

"Alvin Savage had a great game for us. Alvin had to play point guard some and did a great job. Alvin made some great defensive plays the second half and came up with some big rebounds which helped us control the game. Alvin is a very versatile athlete. Alvin is probably got the quick-

est hands of any player we have ever had. Alvin can really be a gamer at times," said Coach Wood.

"Our other players that are playing alot are Clint Gage, Dru Denison, Mitch Ellis and Senior starter A.J. Lee. These players are still improving. I thought Mitch Ellis had one of his best games of the year against Prairiland as his defense really helped us over come Prairiland's lead. Ellis and Lee have both had badly sprained ankles, but are moving well now. Dru Denison has been sick two different times during district and this has hurt him, but he is ready when called on to play as many minutes as needed. Dru can play any position for us and this is a great asset to have. A.J. Lee has had problems with his three point shot, but his rhythm is good and he has gained his confidence back. Look for A.J. to be a factor in the playoffs. As for Clint Gage, I can't say enough nice things about Clint. Clint's playing time hasn't been that much because of health problems. Clint has fought back and got in shape, he has such a positive attitude about our team and this carries over to other team members. Clint plays post and gives us much needed depth in that position," said Coach Wood

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Richard and Sandra Lidell of Dallas spent the week end with her mother, Lucille O'Donnell.

Billie and Mary Ann Welch of Blossom and Chrystine Baker visited Ruby Corbell at Regency Nursing Center in Clarksville Tuesday.

Sunday afternoon, Jackie, Anita and Tresa Couch took Jack and Ruth Couch to Mount Pleasant to Western Sizzlin' to celebrate Ruth's birthday which is February 20.
Nina and Johnny Couch from

Welsh Louisiana visited with Jack and Ruth Couch last Wednesday and Thursday.

Tricia Bradley and Casey from Texarkana were Monday visitors with Zelma Mauldin.

Chris Anna, Jerry, Christopher and Jerred Guerra visited briefly Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Donald Screws and Tana.

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RECENTLY, OUR OFFICE worked on a case in Killeen that involved check-cashing schemes. Certain outlets were charging effective interest rates of up to 1,400 percent.

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While there are many reputable check-cashing services, those that ignore the law should know that they will be targets of investigation.

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Fort Hood troopers, who are stationed in Killeen, were getting caught in a "check-cashing loop." Encouraged to establish an account, the soldiers were given \$100 in cash immediately in return for writing a post-dated check in the amount of \$150. Some enlisted soldiers lost half their pay to "fees" every month.

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GREENHAND OFFICERS at Rivercrest High School this year are, back row, left to right: Gerald Chaffin and John Ross. Front row, left to right: Brooke Belcher, Dani Brown, Tiffany Shupp, Andrea Palmer and Katie Hare. (Staff Photo)



1996-97 VARSITY CHEERLEADERS-at Rivercrest High School will be,(left to right back row) Marla Williams, Jana Weatherall, Malory Chaloner and Brandi Jagers.(front row left to right) Sara Stanley, Amber Hood, Kristi Hines, Katie Hare and alternate cheerleader and mascot Candias Nickerson.(Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Campaign signs, highway right of way don't mix

The recent filing date for candidates for statewide public office brought the start of the campaign season. To avoid a deluge of illegally placed campaign signs, the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) is reminding candidates of the laws on signs along highways.

Under Texas law, it is a class C misdemeanor to place any sign on highway right of way without a license and permit. The fine for violating this law can be as much as \$500 per sign.

It is also illegal to place a sign, even off of state right of way, along most major highways in the state without a license and permit. Violation of this class B misdemeanor is punishable by a fine of as much as

\$1000 per sign. Within city limits, the placement of signs along roadways may also be regulated by local ordinances so candidates are encouraged to check with local municipalities for election sign laws.

"These laws are designed to keep roadsides clean and uncluttered so that official traffic control signs are clearly visible for the safety of the traveling public," said Keith Hollje, right of way agent for the Paris District of TxDOT.

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Chad Kuhl and Michelle Harper of Snyder visited over the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Howard, Ashley and Callie of Mt. Pleasant. They also visited Mr. and Mrs. Linden Horn and Ruby Horn in Talco.

Enjoying camping at the Bow Fin Lodge in Sugar Hill Friday and Saturday were; Judy Easley, Johnny and Joy Easley, Tommie D. Williams of Kilgore, Paul Wisiner and Tim Easley. On Saturday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. John Easley, Tyler and Austin of Bogata visited them and on Saturday night Mr. and Mrs. Craig Easley, T.J. Williams of Kilgore, Tommie Easley and Edward Easley joined them for supper.

Bobby Jack Brown of Quitman visited with Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Brown on Wednesday. He and Eddie visited in Rosalie and Bogata and they all enjoyed lunch at G.J.'s in Johnstown.

Carol Laing was hospitalized over the weekend at Titus County Regional. She is reported doing well.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Watts are expecting their first child in September. Congratulations to them.

Marvie Goates and Diana Goates

spent this past week in Honolulu, Hawaii visiting with Diann's daughter and family. They report a wonderful time.

The Talco First and Second grade mothers sponsored a bake sale Friday downtown Talco to earn funds for a field trip to Texarkana to see a play. They earned near \$200 toward their trip.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Fail Monday was Elizabeth Ewing of Paris.

Kim Brown was chosen as Employee of the Month for January at Titus County Regional's Lab department.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Jones camped at Devil's Den State Park in Arkansas over the weekend.

Stan, Ginger and Daniell Bruce of Keene visited Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Fail Saturday. They also visited over the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hale and family.

Rev. and Mrs. Roberts of Texarkana visited with Bro. and Mrs. David Trawick and family and attended evening services at the Assembly of God Church in Talco.

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Genetic defect responsible for disease
 A genetic defect responsible for a common form of heart muscle disease has been discovered on chromosome 1, say heart specialists at Baylor College of Medicine and the Methodist Hospital in Houston.
 Familial dilated cardiomyopathy (FDCM) runs in families and usually leads to heart failure. The ventricles enlarge, resulting in loss of pumping strength.
 The scientists detected the chromosomal defect after analyzing the genetic make up of 46 living members spanning four generations of an afflicted family living in California and Utah. Eighteen cases of FDCM, eight of them fatal, have occurred in the family.
 "We have achieved the first major step -- isolating the gene," said co investigator, Dr. Robert Roberts, a professor of medicine and cell biology and chief of the cardiology section at The DeBakey Heart Center of Baylor and Methodist. "Now, we want to identify what is responsible for the defect. No gene defect has ever been identified for this disease."
 While several genes are suspect on chromosome 1 and the culprit has not been pinpointed, the research team say their findings pave the way to screening to look for genetic markers on and around the chromosome among family members with the disorder.

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The last train, one 1950's era diesel engine and four box cars passed through Blossom 3 weeks ago, on tracks so decrepit that speeds of only 5 to 8 miles per hour were possible.

During the Golden Days of the Railroad in the 1920's and 1930's as many as seven passenger trains, both east and west, stopped at the Blossom depot. You could connect going east at Texarkana with Missouri Pacific's "Sunshine Special" to all points north to St. Louis. You could connect in Paris to the Santa Fe south to Dallas or north on the Frisco to points in Oklahoma and Arkansas enroute to Kansas City and St. Louis, where connections could be made to such "name" trains as the "Spirit of St. Louis" or the "Broadway Limited" to the east, or west on the "Super Chief" or the "Golden State Rocket". Connections could be made in Denison to the "Katys", "Texas Special" to Kansas City to the north or San Antonio to the south.

As many as ten to twelve freight trains rumbled through Blossom each day, many stopping to discharge cargo and to load cotton and other products from the area and during WWII days from 1941 to 1945 many Pullmans, coaches and GI "box cars" loaded with troops from all over the country passed through enroute to Camp Maxey.

This I remember well as I was on one of 'em.

So, an era has passed, the sound of a steam whistle or diesel horn will never be heard again in our community. The present owners of the system have decided they can haul between Clarksville and Texarkana cheaper than from Paris.

The demise of our railroad is not merely sad, it is a mistake of no small significance. This railroad did not simply die, it was killed by years of neglect, substandard track, service and equipment and our present day state of mind that everything must move by car or truck. The End.
Ed Gardiner

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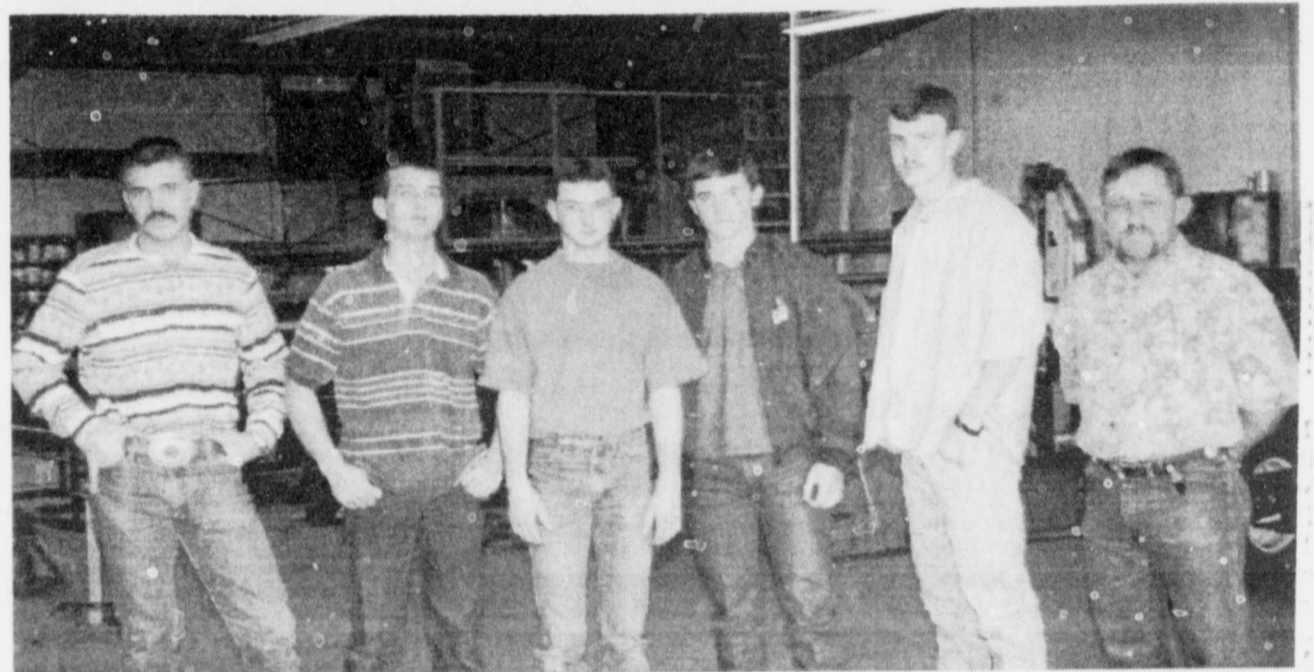
Children who get involved with the roughest sports tend to show more aggression, both on and off the playing field, than their peers, a sport psychologist has reported.

In a new study, children with the longest experience in high-contact athletics were more physically and verbally aggressive than their playmates in sports and in daily life.

Those most involved in such activities were also likely to lag farthest behind their peers in moral reasoning maturity, researchers found.



CLEAN UP-The Rivercrest meat processing students clean up their work area following class. The students process various types of meat and game for area residents. Rivercrest has already turned out several top notch butchers. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



CO-OP STUDENTS-at Rivercrest High School are (left to right) Scott Johnson, Chris Gentry, Brandon Williams, Russell English, John Davidson and Teacher Jimmy Rogers. These students leave school in the afternoon for jobs connected to all forms of agriculture. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

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NEW FOUL CLOCK-The Rivercrest and Talco-Bogata basketball teams have enjoyed their new foul clock added to the score board at the gym this year. The clock was donated by the Talco State Bank and Bogata Guaranty Bank. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

College scholarships available

Over \$16,000 in 10 college scholarships are available to high school sophomores, juniors, and seniors through a nationwide essay competition sponsored by the Multiple Sclerosis Association of America. Now in its third year, MSA's "Project: Learn MS '96" encourages students to write a 500-1000 word essay on MS, its effects of the family and how society can improve life for the physically challenged. All essays must include an official registration form, \$7.50 in prepaid sponsorship, and must be postmarked by May 27, 1996. Information on the essay competition is available through local high school guidance offices or by calling MSA at 1-800-LEARN-MS.

Known as the most common neurological disorder of young adults, multiple sclerosis affects as many as 500,000 Americans. Its crippling effects on the central nervous system can produce symptoms ranging from blindness to partial or complete paralysis. According to MSAA officials, "Project Learn MS '96" serves to educate students about MS, helps raise funds to support MSAA services and highlights the organization's national "May is MS Awareness Month." Other MSAA programs include peer counseling, toll free hotline, support groups, free loan of therapeutic equipment, newsletter, barrier free housing, microclimate cooling and social and group activities.



AG STUDENTS-John Davidson and Russell English display a gooseneck trailer built by students at Rivercrest. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Red River Healthcare Center News

This week's activities include:

Tuesday, February 20, 6:00 p.m. Bogata Lions Club Bingo

Wednesday, February 21, 10:00 New Hope Singers

Thursday, February 22, 1:00 weekly ride

Sunday, February 25 Bogata Methodist Church at 2:00 p.m.

Monday, February 26, 2:30 p.m. Bogata Book Club Sponsors Birthday Party

Tuesday, February 27, 1:00 p.m. Jack and Elgie Wood Singers, and at 6:00 p.m. VFW Bingo

****Happy February Birthday to** Mary Rylee 2-20-1924, Leon Bell 2-23-1927, Hazel Brown 2-17-1927, Jennie Burrow 2-02-1907, Dollie Carroll 2-03-1902, Ada Holmes 2-19-1910, Ardena Roberts 2-15-1906, Carroll Trussell 2-14-1944, Ann Walker 2-19-1916 and Doris Skaggs 2-19-1915.

Visiting Gene Smith were James and Mary Cox, Carren Herring and Connie Fincher.

Tony and Eva Watkins visited Dorothy Watkins.

Louise Bean, Katie Brown and Marie Crafts visited Clyde and Ardena Roberts.

David Hudson visited Nina Hudson.

Mary Ann Williams, Margaret Ortiz and Cyrus Frank Junior visited Gladys Adams.

Gerlyn Gray, Margaret Davis and Raymon Mauldin visited Clara Lowe. Irene Smith's visitors were Elaine

Alford, S.J. Smith, Linda Smith and Chock and Jessie Cockrum.

Hazel Brown and Gladys Garretson's visitors were Louise Bean, Katie Brown, Donald Wilson, Betty T. Evans, John and Regina Easley, John and Nina Stoner, Julie Binion, Allan, Tina and Emily Ward, Carl and Diane Brown, M.L. Brown Mildred Tucker, Beverly and Bill Capel and Berenda and Don Mewborn.

Visiting Hattie Crabtree was Gwendolyn Bowen.

Louise Bean and Katie Brown visited Thelma Davis.

Rass and Rugh Morris, Letha Brown and Shirley Nickerson visited Raymond Wright.

Venessa Smith, and Kenneth Rape of Houston, Daveric Green, Netta Rannels and Rodney Rannels visited Harvey Brooks.

Tex Tilly visited Rosie Kirk.

Gladys Prater's visitors were Raymon Mauldin, Louise Bean, Katie Brown, Mildred Allums, Jean Moore and James and Margaret Prater.

Opal Kerley and Linda Taylor visited Lynn Kerley.

Dollie Carroll's visitors were Randy, Lisa, Missy, Steffy, Nathan Carroll, Lynn and Brenda Carroll.

Ned Morgan's visitors were Damon Dickson, Louisa Webb, Franice Landers and James Morgan.

Sonny Gamble visited Bonnie Gamble.

Ida Barnard's visitors were Jim Childers, JoAnn Mayes, Jimmie Ruth

Childers, Ellerdine Cabellero, Britany Douglas, David Bishop, Lesa Bishop, Don Barnard, Jane Barnard, Thresa Bishop, Lawanza Barnard and Jimmie Duffie.

Visiting Rossie Porterfield were Louise Bean, Katie Brown and Maurine Mankins.

Donovan Strain's visitors were J.T. Eason, Peggy Strain and Donnie Strain and Inez Gill.

Visiting Iva Carr were Johnnie and Viola Coggins, Bill and Marie, Lucille Moore, Irene Lawson, Fannie Eudy, Peggy Carr, Nikki O'Donnell, Dean and Edith Smith, Merle Hughes and Danny.

Joan Phillips visited Doris Skaggs. Bertha McCall, Janie Smart and Naomi Dingman visited Bertha Anderson.

Robie Cooper visited Maude Legate.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Ward visited George Hancock.

Mary Ann Williams visited Barney Alsbrook.

Mary Ann Williams, Margaret Ortiz and Niki Jasso visited Agnes Alsbrook.

Peggy Watts and Evelyn Weddle visited Opal Watts.

Letha Brown visited Ocola Morns. Kitty Harden, John Harden, Magie Lee and Inez Gill visited Mary Parker.

Irene Lawson, Patsy Schnechenburger, and Lana Schnechenburger visited Elsie Hughes.

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Images Of The Olympic Games

(NAPS)—The Olympic Games have generated some of the most dramatic images of sports competition in the last 100 years.

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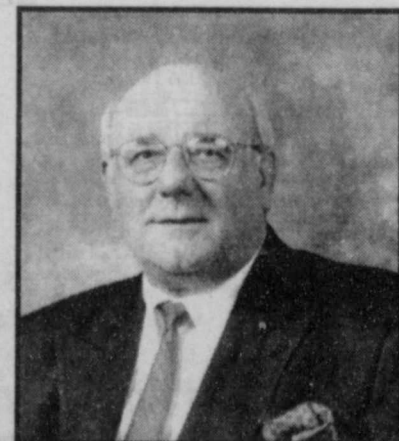
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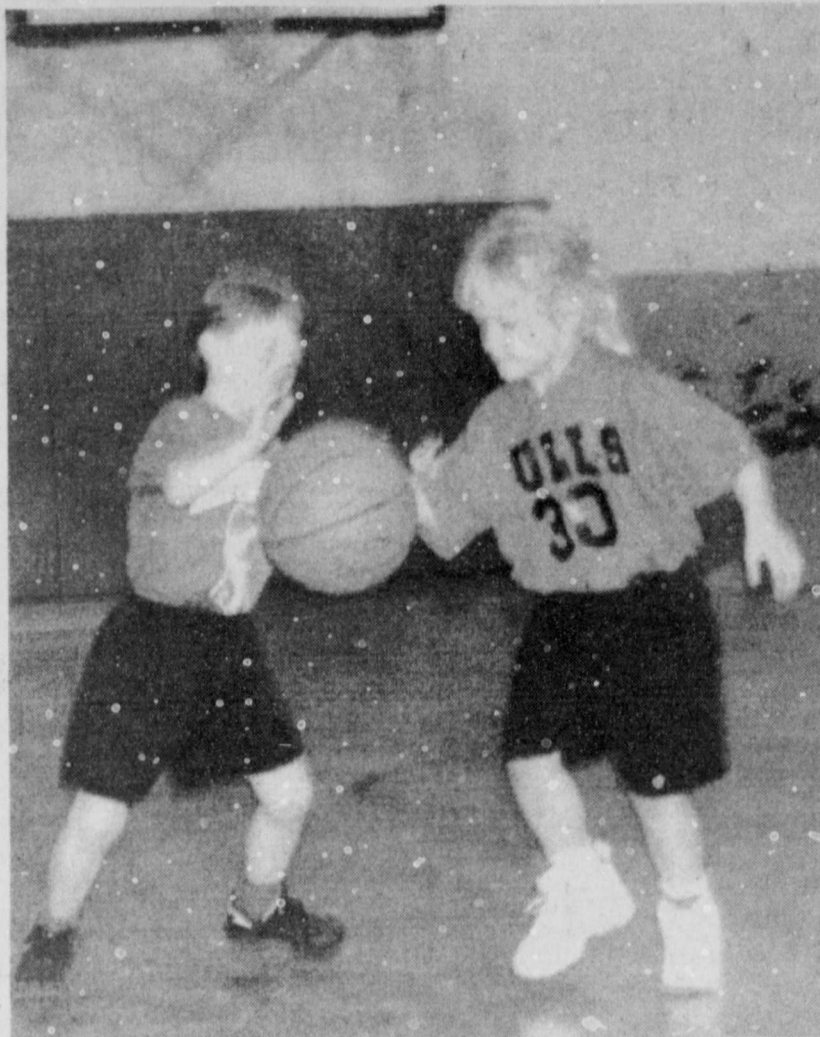
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LITTLE, LITTLE DRIBBLER-Kelsey Clark, a member of the Talco Bulls heads for the goal as this Lil Rebel comes in to guard her. The Lil Rebels defeated the Bull in Thursday's action at Bogata gym. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



A LITTLE STAR-Lil Rebel Lynann Sivard went to the goal to score for the Lil Rebels as they defeated the Talco Bulls Thursday in Bogata gym. Lynann was high scorer for her team. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

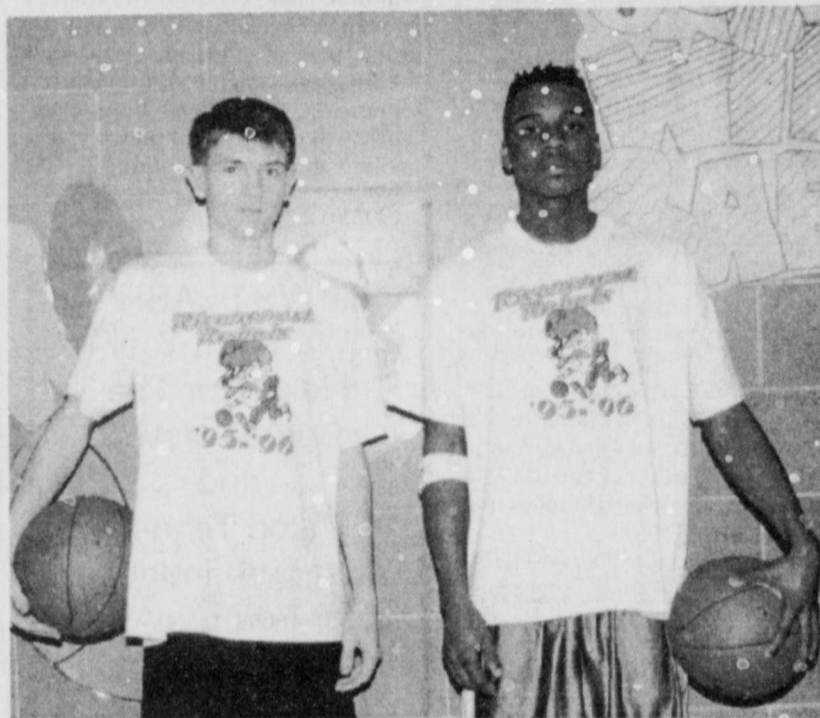


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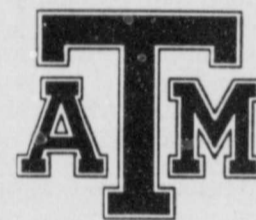
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SENIORS-A.J. Lee and Eric Waller are playing their final games as Rivercrest Rebels. The boys and their team mates will be traveling to Sulphur Springs to play Lone Oak for the Bi-District championship Friday Feb. 23. Everyone is encourage to come out and support our team. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)





Asian ambrosia beetle spreading through state

COLLEGE STATION — Entomologists across the state are keeping a wary eye out for the Asian ambrosia beetle, which has already created problems in several nurseries in southeast and northeast Texas.

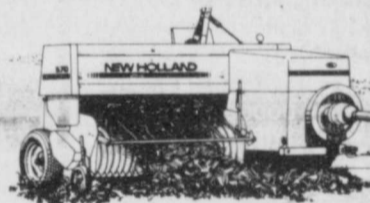
Four counties — Brazoria, Burleson, Grimes and Van Zandt — have been added to the list of infested counties this year. Hunt County was added late in 1994. This brings to 41 the total number of counties where the ambrosia beetle has been found since specialists with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service first began monitoring its movement across the state in 1994, said Bill Ree, Extension entomologist.

The pest attacks numerous woody plants, and its damage may be identified by the toothpick-like spines which protrude 1-1/2 inches from the host plant. These spines are the "sawdust" left after the female beetle bores into the host to make brood galleries, or nurseries.

The ambrosia beetle bores horizontally into the tree, not vertically like most wood pests. That eventually causes more damage to the different sections, or layers, of the branch, notes the Texas A&M University-based entomologist.

The pest has been found in Shumard oak, burr oak, chinquapin, red bud, Chinese pistachio, Mexican plum, golden raintree and Bradford pear in Texas nurseries. It also may attack pecan trees.

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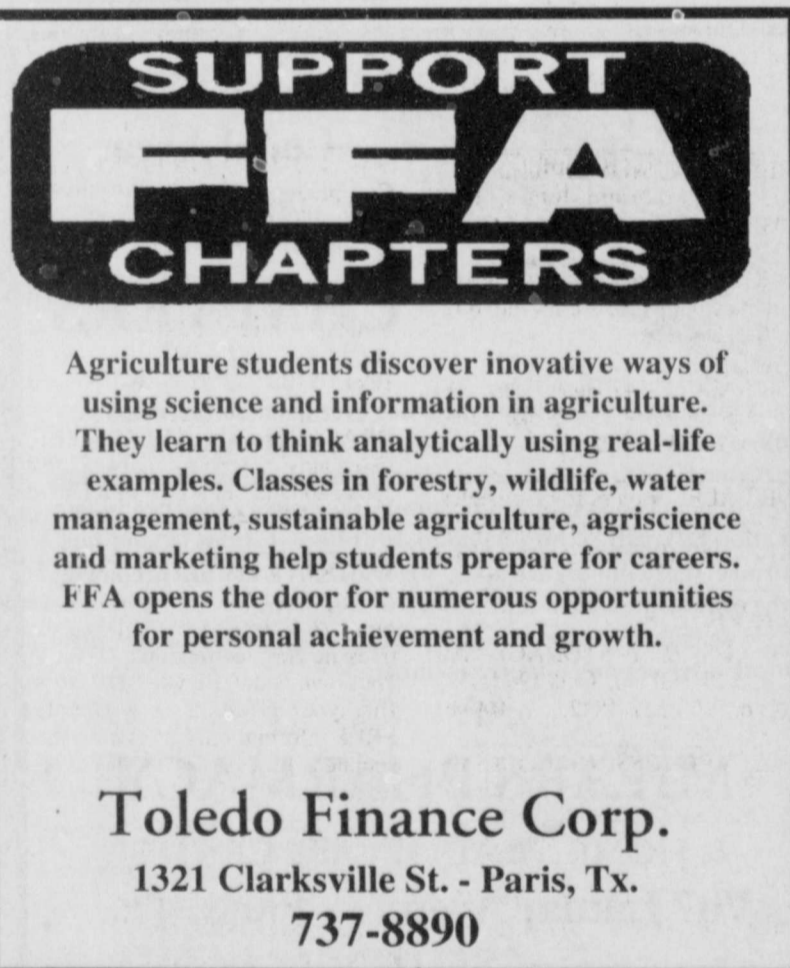
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WELDING-on a trailer at the Rivercrest Ag. shop is Scott Johnson. The students have completed many projects this year and have many in various stages of completion. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

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Teen-agers need place to develop socially

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But, according to Lisa Benson, who recently completed her master's degree in architecture at Texas A&M University, adolescents rarely have a place designed specifically for them.

Benson surveyed high school students and their parents to determine what locations teens have staked out for their leisure hours.

Benson concludes that adolescents do not have a place to go after school and on weekends that satisfies their developmental needs and incorporates popular youth culture.

She notes that people used to go straight from childhood into the working world of adults, so that adolescence is a recent phenomenon.

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"We were surprised to find that potatoes are second only to broccoli in terms of antioxidant activity," said Dr. Creighton Miller, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station potato breeder based at Texas A&M University. He said people should not only put potatoes on every plate, but should eat them skins and all.

Discovery of the potato's high antioxidant activity is reported in the current issue of the Journal of Food Science.

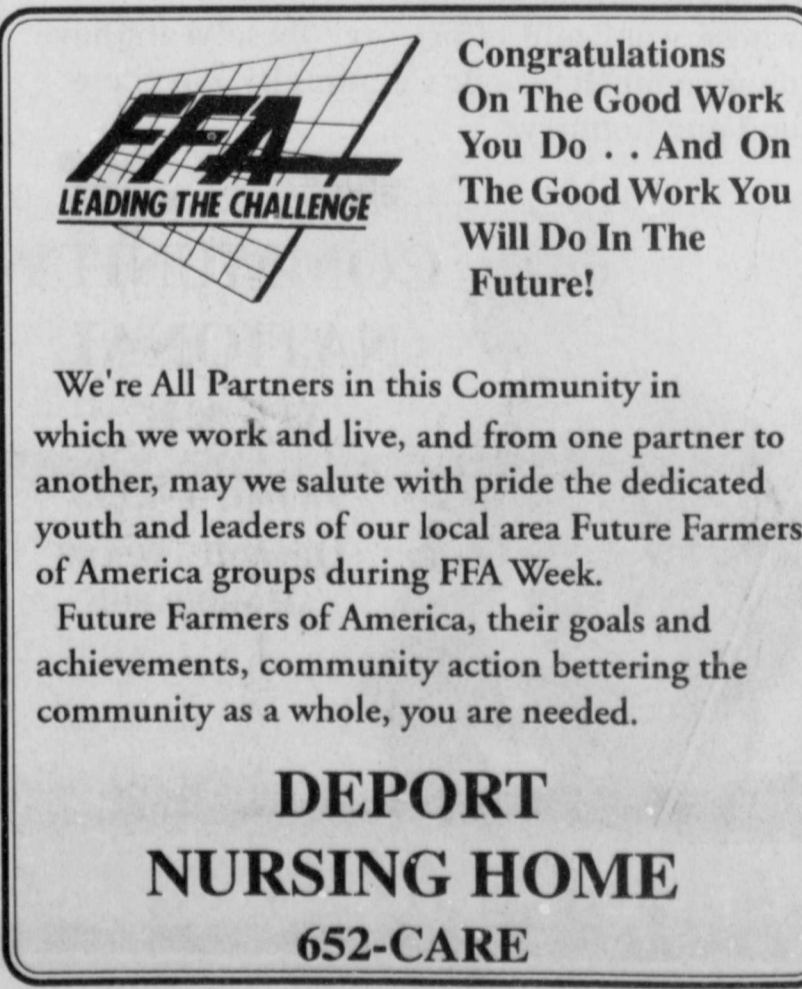


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JV CHEERLEADERS-These Bogata Junior High School eighth grade girls were chosen as Junior Varsity Cheerleaders for Rivercrest High School for the 1996-'97 school term. They are Jill Foster, Audra Meredith, Nicole Hervey and Kaylan Bell. (Staff Photo by Judy Screws)

Bogata Methodist Women meet

The Bogata Methodist Women met Wednesday, February 14 in the educational building.

Roberta Anderson gave the opening prayer. Betty Puckett presided at the business session. Gale Hervey read the minutes and Eleanor McClure gave the treasurer's report.

Betty Puckett presented members with new yearbooks.

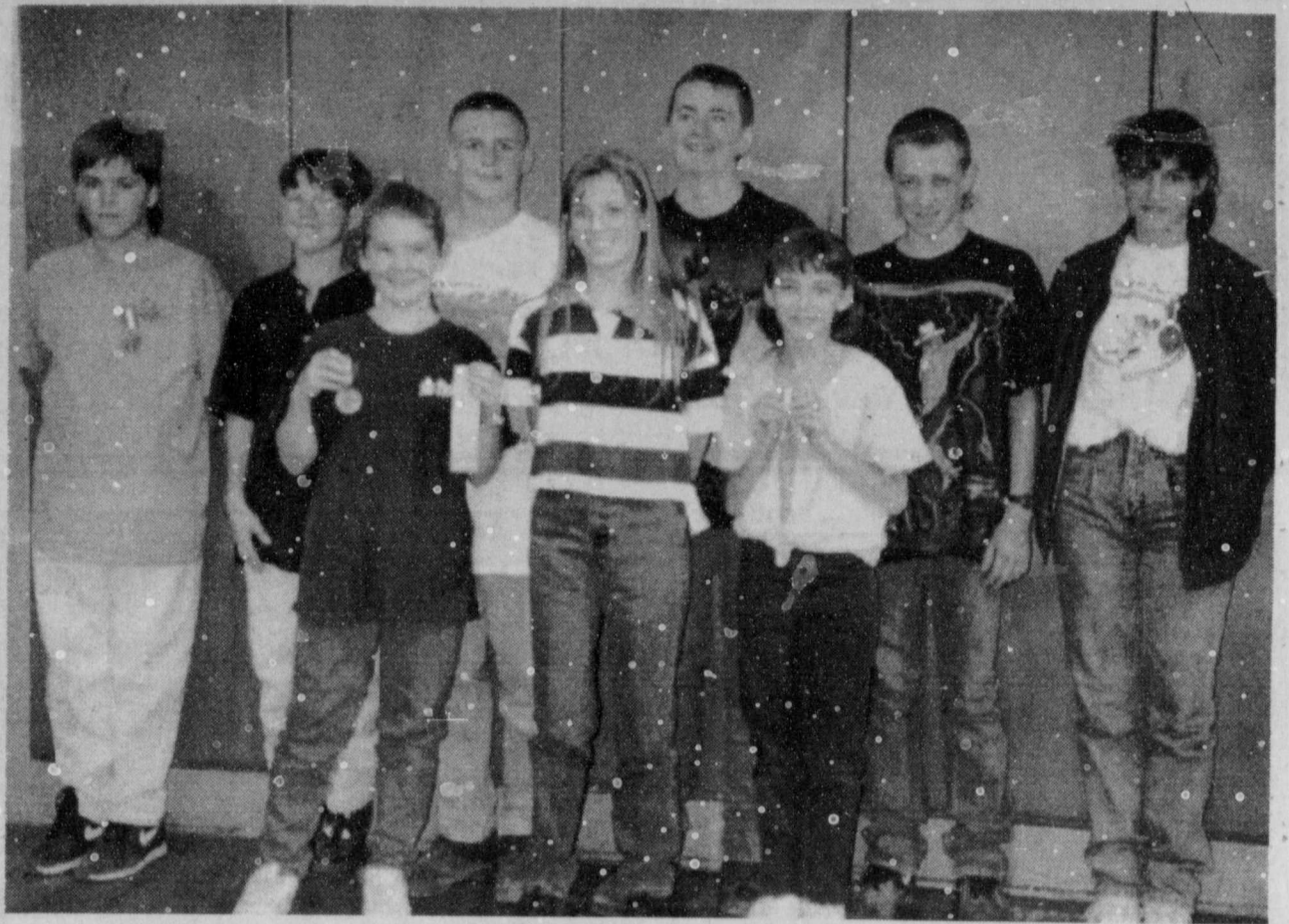
Committee chairmen and program chairmen were decided for the coming year.

Betty Puckett presented the program, sharing some inspirational

thoughts from God's Little Devotional Book, published by Honor Book Company. Devotions selected were patience, friendship and gratitude.

Following the program members shared new craft ideas for the bazaar.

The following members were present: Betty Puckett, Frances Rozell, Anna Bell Patton, Margie Myers, Edith Swaim, Gertie Choate, Mary Katherine Cotten, Roberta Anderson, Anita Stubblefield, Jimmie Lou Pope, Eleanor McClure and Gale Hervey.



UIL PARTICIPANTS-Several Bogata Junior High students went to a UIL practice meet at Chisum School Saturday. Congratulations to the following: (Not in order) Pearis Abernathy 5th place Number sense, Cassie

Cannon, 1st place Calculators, Rebecca Stewart, 2nd place Calculators, Kim exum, 3rd Place Calculators, Phillip Rolen, 1st place, Impromptu, Jason Thomas, 1st place Listening, Rebecca Stewart, 5th Place Maps, Graphs, and charts,

Stephanie Davis, Dictionary Skills, Brian Caanon, Science, Matt Siramons, Number Sense and Stephanie Farmer Dictionary Skills. Not available for a picture was Courtney Jordan 6th place Spelling. (Staff Photo by Judy Screws)

Bogata Lions Club meets

When the Bogata Lions Club met Thursday night, February 15, the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Terry Bell. The invocation was given by Gene Bowden. Pat Durock prepared the meal.

The meeting was presided over by President Coy Coker.

Discussion was held to plan the Political Forum and The

Crimestoppers meetings.

The political forum will be held March 2 at Rivercrest High School Cafeteria, beginning at 4:00 p.m. with a stew supper followed by the speakers who are running for offices in Red River County.

The March 21 meeting will feature

discussions on the organization of Red River Crimestoppers. It will be a covered dish supper. Area Law enforcement, Mayors, Chamber of Commerce Presidents and Service Organization representatives will be invited to discuss participation in this helpful program.

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