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I Love Small Towns

Living in a small town, or in a neighborhood in the city that is like a small town is truly a great thing.

Last Thursday morning I was at the office when the fire department beeper Mike wears went off. Larry and Judy Whittle's house was on fire.

Cindy, the office manager, was out sick. Thomas and Mike are on the fire department and I need to do my reporter duties. That meant no one to keep the office open. No one, that is, except for Mrs. Lee from Blossom. She was upstairs researching genealogy in the old volumes.

So, I called upstairs for her to please tell anyone who came through the door we would be back in a minute and drove away.

At the fire scene volunteers from Cunningham, Deport, Pattonville and Blossom were pouring in.

Frankie Norwood, a long time friend of the Whittles, and an ag teacher at Prairiland, had been going by with some students when he noticed smoke coming from the turbine on the Whittle house. He knew this wasn't right. He also knew that there were two beloved dogs inside. Of course, one of the dogs doesn't like Frankie. He got the door open, and his students had to stand in the yard and call the dogs out, the one that doesn't like him wouldn't come to him! He had already used his cell phone

to call for fire departments. After putting the dogs and his students in a safe place he joined in with fire fighting.

Judy works at Prairiland school and her friend co-worker Susan Roach immediately loaned her a vehicle to rush home in. Susan, the Whittle's daughter, was brought by a teacher to the scene, along with a few friends to lend comfort to an upset youngster. The teacher even brought her workbooks and school books.

Friends were on hand to comfort Larry, Judy and Susan. Help and offers of future help poured in.

Firefighters worked hard to control the blaze, and consequently save a portion of the home, in spite of it's distance from a fire station.

Knowing the office was still manned by poor Mrs. Lee I returned to Deport and found she had accepted money, answered the phone and generally "held down the fort".

After a while Mike and Thomas were able to return.

That is the way it is in any of the communities we serve.

If there is trouble, people are there to help. If someone's business needs minding for a while, a volunteer will do it. If a family is off work for a while, people assist them.

It's the way we all should be. It's the way things frequently are, because there are so many good people in the world. And, most of all, it's beautiful.

Community Easter

Sunrise Service to be held

Everyone is invited to attend a Sunrise Easter Service on Easter Sunday, April 23, 2000 at 7:00 a.m.

The service will be held at the Thomas Park Pavillion in Bogata. Brother Park Robertson will deliver the Easter message. There will also

McDowell takes judge candidacy position and Storey takes Sheriff

In runoff elections locally the runoff for 62nd District judge Democratic Candidate saw Scott McDowell defeating Jesse Nickerson. McDowell received 1637 votes and Nickerson received 948 McDowell will face Jeff Starnes in

the fall election. In Red River County incumbent Sheriff Bob Edrington was defeated by Bob Storey, who has served as Red River County Sheriff several years ago. The vote totals were : Storey 1457 and Edrington 1029.

April 29 set as date for Cuthand VFD Annual Fish Fry

The Cuthand Volunteer Fire Department will have their Annual Fish Fry and Pie Auction on Saturday, April 29, 2000. Serving will be from 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. with the pie auction following the meal.

Proceeds from the event will be used to help pay for the new fire truck that the department recently pur-

chased. A \$100 bill will be given away during the pie auction. You must be present to win.

Prices for the "All you can eat" meal are \$5.00 per adult and \$3.00 per child 6 to 12 years of age. Children under 6 years will eat free. Everyone in invited to attend and help support the fire department.

Thunder Prairie wins seven major awards at NETPA

Thunder Prairie Publishing has again captured a large number of ads at North and East Texas Press Association's Annual Convention, held in Waco last week.

Nanalee Nichols took First Place in Division 6 Column Writing for the fifth time in North and East Texas Press Association. She has won First Place in Texas Press Association's annual contest, also.

Yet another First Place Plaque was earned in Advertising.

In addition the newspaper won Second Place in the prestigious Sweepstakes Award Contest, which is based on the points awarded the accumulated entries. They also won Third Place in the General Excellence Category; Second Place in Feature Writing; Second Place in Photography and Second Place in Sports coverage.

A few of the judge's comments were: General Excellence, Newsy, Good use of photos. Headlines too small.

Column writing: Entertaining, well written, creative, good messages.

Feature Writing: Good features, well written: "Street Rodding" is interesting insight into the side of a local couple that perhaps community members might not be aware of". "Bodacious...Good story. Good use of photos, well written".

Photography: Great photos, some photos could have been larger. Good representations of disasters, good angle and good close ups".

Advertising: Good Composition, use of elements in lay-out.

Sports: Stories a little short, would be nice to put all sports coverage together. Nancy Brown, editor of the Bogata News and Talco Times was highly praised for her sports, photography and overall work. The Bogata News was entered into Division 5 instead of Division 6, a larger circulation division. The judges said that although it did not place in the top three the papers were "excellent papers with true community coverage".

Accidents take two lives in Bogata

Joshua Lance Belcher, 21 of Bogata was killed on Friday, April 7, 2000 when the 1997 Yamaha ATV he was driving went out of control in a curve on County Road 4615. DPS reports indicate the ATV overturned on top of him. He was taken to ETMC in Clarksville where he was pronounced dead.

On the same day 82 year old Ennis Moore was fatally struck by a pickup truck while trying to reroute traffic around a fallen tree. According to

DPS reports, Moore was attempting to flag down oncoming traffic on FM 909 when he was hit by a 1990 GMC pickup driven by Jeremy Dewayne Gaddis of Clarksville. Mr. Moore was taken to ETMC in Clarksville where he later died.

Services were held at the First Baptist Church in Bogata at 11:00 a.m. April 10, 2000 for Josh Belcher.

Services were held at the Bogata Missionary Baptist Church at 2:00 p.m. April 10, 2000 for Ennis Moore.

One running for Bogata Mayor and 7 running for Bogata City Council

Candidates in the upcoming May 6, 2000 elections in the City of Bogata are: For the office of Mayor, Jack Crane and for City Council mem-

bers; incumbents, Tracie Osborne and W.T. Harbison and challengers, Charles Don Lewis, Rolen Screws, John Haynes and Gina Allen.

Voters may cast their votes at the Bogata City Hall.

Forage production meeting set for April 19

The Red River County Extension Office and the Extension Beef and Forage committee will sponsor a forage production meeting Wednesday, April 19 at 7:00 p.m. at the Red River County Courthouse.

Scheduled speakers include Dr. Larry Redmond, Extension Agronomist, to discuss forage, fertility and weed control issues. A weed and brush I.D. contest is being planned with prizes to the top scorers.

All area producers are invited to attend.

Clean-up rules for Bogata

The City of Bogata will pick up large items Wednesday, April 12, Thursday, April 13 and Friday, April 14.

Call City Hall up at 632-5315 by April 13 for pick up. If you want to bring your items, a large dumpster will be available behind City Hall.

Rules for clean-up are: no hazardous waste; no paint; no oil; no tires; no batteries; no refrigerators or air conditioners or anything containing freon unless freon has been removed and appliance is tagged by licensed technician; no leaves or yard waste.

Five sign up for Rivercrest Board of Trustees

Five have signed up to run for positions on the Rivercrest ISD Board of Trustees. They are; Position #7 or the at large position, incumbent, Ricky Franks and Leslie Johnson Wright; Position #1, incumbent, Nicky Brown and Johnny Jones and Position #4 formerly filled by Mollie Williams, Joe Rose.

Leslie Wright is the daughter of Clyde Johnson and Vickie and the late Kenneth Bryant of Bogata and the granddaughter of Inez and the late James Johnson of the Lone Star Community and the late Bill Stewart of Cuthand. She is a 1989 Rivercrest High School graduate and following graduation married Paul Shane Wright of Talco. They have lived in Talco throughout their 13 years of marriage and own and operate their own contractor business, deer and horse ranch. The couple have two children, Alex who is a 5th grade student at Talco Elementary and Jacob who is a Kindergarten student at Talco Elementary. They attend Calvary Baptist Church in Talco.

Leslie has served as an officer in the Talco PTO, has been an officer of the Talco Baseball/Softball Inc. for 6 years where she also has coached girls and is presently coaching the 7 & 8 year old boys team which her son Jacob is a member of. She and her husband have been active in the Rivercrest Youth Basketball program and served as coaches in the program for 4 years. The family enjoy fishing, hunting and camping. Leslie said, "I would like to be a part of increasing the quality of education our children get. We have a strong academic system now but we must advance with the computer age by providing the best and most up to date equipment and education possible. I am also a property owner in the district and will keep the tax payer in mind when making decisions for the district. Your vote on May 6 will be appreciated."

Ricky Franks has filed for a position on the Rivercrest I.S.D. board.

Ricky has lived in the school district for the past 39 years. He attended Talco Elementary and Junior High schools and graduated from Rivercrest High School in 1979. He has been employed with Texas Utilities for the past 20 years. He is the son of Tommy and Janice Franks of Sugarhill and is married to Lori Hervey Franks, daughter of Shirley Hervey Merritt and the late Sammy Hervey of Johtown.

Ricky and Lori have two children, Clint, who is a graduate of Rivercrest High School, and Kelsey, who is in second grade at Talco Elementary. The family are active members of the Calvary Baptist Church in Talco and are involved in extra-curricular and community activities such as being members of the Rivercrest Athletic Booster Club, Players in Progress,

Talco Baseball Association, where Rickey has coached girls softball for two years and coached T-Ball for two years.

Ricky is active in the Rivercrest Little Dribblers where he served as President for the past two years and also coaches. Ricky enjoys being involved with FFA. For many years, he was involved with his son, Clint, in his agricultural projects, and is now helping his daughter, Kelsey, with show animals and will continue with this throughout her school career.

Technology is a very important part of the education process today and feels it is important that the school keep up with the changes in this field. According to Franks, "Our TAAS scores reflect our dedication to the basic education of all students. This is a credit to both our teachers and our students."



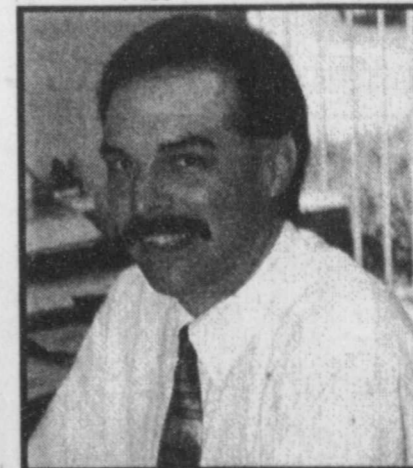
Ricky Franks

Johnny Jones is the son of Jerry and LouAnn Jones of Divine, Texas. He is a graduate of Pettus High School in Pettus, Texas. He married Karen Wright and the couple have made their home in Talco for the past 22 years. They have one son, David Lee Jones, who is a graduate of Rivercrest High School and one granddaughter, Kari Jones of Oklahoma. Johnny is employed at TXU in Sulphur Springs, Texas. The family are active members of the Calvary Baptist Church in Talco where Johnny serves as a sponsor to the Royal Ambassadors boys group. He and his wife enjoy raising white-tailed deer, hunting, camping and are involved in many community activities such as events hosted by the Talco Park Committee and by the Talco Baseball/Softball Inc. Johnny said, "I have several nieces and nephews who attend Talco School and could some day could have my granddaughter attending school here. I would like to be a part of making the decisions for the future of the school and help see that every child has the opportunity to have the best education possible. As a tax payer I would like to help hold taxes down while providing quality education for our students. Your vote will be appreciated."

Joe Rose, his wife Angela and children, Jessica, Clay and Dustin moved to Bogata 5 years ago from Mt. Pleasant. He is the President of the Guaranty Bank in Bogata and has worked for Guaranty Bank since 1984. The family attend church at the First Baptist Church in Bogata where Joe teaches Sunday School and Angela teaches children's choir.

Joe is running for Position 4 on the Rivercrest ISD Board of Trustees in the May 6 election. He said, "My desire is to see this District continue to offer the highest quality education to our children. The Exemplary status of two of our three campuses is something of which we should be proud, but the real beneficiaries are the children who are receiving the education. As a graduate of the University of Texas of Arlington, I have grown to appreciate my education more each year. In our society, education is becoming more of a factor in the job market and our children deserve the best opportunity available. I have also earned a new respect for our teachers over the recent years as my wife has completed her teaching degree. I believe our teachers also deserve the best environment in which to teach.

Since a school district spends your tax dollars, I also think the business side of this Board position is important. As a member of the financial industry I feel that I can contribute in this area. With a degree in Accounting and many years' experience in budget preparation, I feel a civic responsibility to offer my services to our school district. As a property owner in our district, I will always try to make decisions that will result in the highest benefit for both the taxpayer and the school district. I appreciate the opportunity to serve you and I would appreciate your vote on May 6, 2000."



Joe Rose

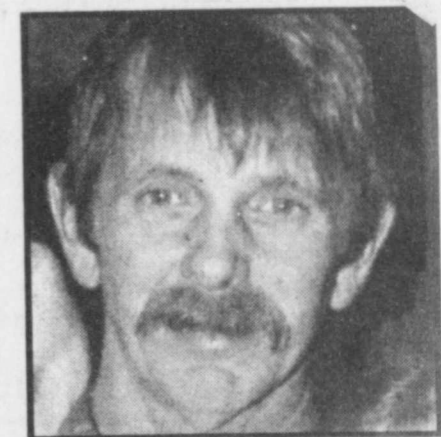
Clean up to begin at Cuthand Cemetary

It is almost mowing season (April thru October). A request is being made that all families remove flowers and ornaments from the grave sites in Cuthand Cemetary to make mowing easier.

Appreciation is expressed to those who have made donations for the cemetary up keep.

Nicky Brown, incumbent for position #1, is a life-long resident of Talco and Rivercrest School District. He attended Talco Elementary and Junior High and graduated from Rivercrest in 1979. He is 31 years old and is employed at Titus County Precinct #1. He and his family are members of the Calvary Baptist Church Talco. He is a member of Temple Lodge #70 in Mt. Pleasant and currently serves as secretary to the Rivercrest ISD Board of Trustees. He and his wife Linda have been married for 19 years and have two sons, Coleman, who is a senior at Rivercrest and Ty who is a 3rd grade student at Talco Elementary. Linda is employed at the Guaranty Bank in Talco.

Nicky has been active in Rivercrest Youth Basketball and the PIPS (Players in Progress) programs. He is active in sports programs at the schools and other extra curricular activities, such as academic clubs, Beta Club and National Honor Society, band performances and concerts. Nicky said, "I feel that every aspect of the schools should be a priority not just what directly affects you. I have served on the Rivercrest ISD Board for the past 3 years, the last 2 years as board secretary. I would like to continue to serve on the Board because I have a genuine concern for our school, our school district and especially our children. I believe that the children of Rivercrest ISD deserve the best education that we as parents, teachers and citizens can give to them. I also believe that our district has some of the best educators available and this shows in our school ratings, Rivercrest-Exemplary, Bogata-Exemplary and Talco-Recognized. Finally, I feel that I am a qualified candidate with experience enough to do a good job as a board member to see that our children (the future of our school district, communities and country) get properly educated with today's technology and that each taxpayer's dollars are spent accordingly. Your support in my re-election would be greatly appreciated."



Johnny Jones



Nicky Brown



Leslie Wright

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Have A Spring Weekend

Obituaries

Country Cooking

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Easter Greetings



With Easter coming up on Sunday, April 23rd, everyone can use a few new recipes. This week, thanks to Doris Jenkins of Faught, she has sent us some very interesting ones. Some are for a crowd and some are for just two.

Whether you want to go the full-meal-deal with cornbread stuffing, roast chicken or turkey or whatever you wish to prepare... we wish everyone a great holiday and stank safe and we will see you in the kitchen!

Golden Corn Soup-you can't go wrong with this recipe. It contains cream-style corn, potatoes and cheese along with other ingredients to make a rich and steamy bowl of goodness!

Streusel-Topped Peach Keuchen-this recipe uses canned peaches in heavy syrup atop a yeast-based dough and topped with a cinnamon nut crumble topping! Outstanding!

Chunk Oatmeal Cookies-this recipe will make 24 dozen cookies and uses no flour!

Cornbread for a Crowd-here is the recipe you need is you are going to make dressing for a large group of people!

Pounds-Off Stuffing-this recipe makes 12 servings at 100 calories per serving; contains 4 grams protein; 2 grams fat; 13 mg. cholesterol; 17 grams carbohydrates; and 392 mg. sodium.



Bogata V.F.W. Post 8187 News

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

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

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

*The VFW will be starting a pool tournament on Tuesday night at 7:00 pm. Everyone is invited to come out for competition and fellowship.

*On April 20 a bar-b-que meal will be served at the post with all proceeds going to the Ladies Auxiliary. Serving will begin at 5:30 p.m. Following the meal at 7:00 p.m. 42 will begin. This is also a birthday party for those with April birthdays. Please make plans to attend for good food and fellowship.

*April is election of officers for the next year. All members are urged to attend the April meetings. Every member will be needed to have a strong VFW and Auxiliary. Please contribute your support and help keep Bogata's VFW strong.

*Happy Birthday to Eunice Miller, Rabbit Wisinger, Lucille Moore, Betty Mullen and Burl Moore.

*Sympathy is extended to the families of Ennis Moore and Josh Belcher.

SpringFest 2000 in Clarksville

The Spring Fest - Around the Square will be held on April 15, 2000 in Clarksville.

Entertainment will be the Clarksville High School Jazz Band from 9:00 a.m. The Pam King Company of Singers from 10:30-11:30 a.m. featuring Tyrell Duckett, Kristi Patterson, Sarah Stewart and others. Gospel singer Carolyn Freeman will perform at 12:30 p.m.-1:30 p.m. with much, much, more.

For more information contact 903-427-2645.

Stockholders to meet in Tyler

AgriLand, Farm Credit Services will hold its 66th annual stockholders meeting Saturday, April 15 at Harvey Convention Center in Tyler. Registration begins at 11:00 a.m.

Approximately 450 stockholders and guests are expected to attend. This will be the first annual meeting of AgriLand, FCS since the merger of the North Texas and Agricultural PCAs.

Stockholders will elect directors for five positions on the board. Nominees for Region 1, Place 2 are Bob Christopherson of Bogata and Ricky Brackman of Clarksville; Region 1, place 11 nominees include Michael Blackburn from Blossom.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR:

Dear Residents of Texas,

I am a 5th grade student of Alaska and I am doing a report on the State of Texas. I'm trying to gather information about your state. I would appreciate any information that you could send me. I'm looking forward to learning about your state! Thank you very much!

Sincerely,
Hannah Wallace

Locals make up chorale

Several local Paris Junior College students are members of the PIC Chorale.

From Bagwell is Bryce Gatlin; Blossom, Shane Chennault; and from Bogata, Jason Dyess and John White.



Ennis Moore

Ennis Moore dies April 7

Ennis Moore, age 82 of Bogata, died Friday, April 7 in East Texas Medical Center in Clarksville.

Funeral services were held Monday, April 10 at 2:00 p.m. in the Bogata Missionary Baptist Church with the Rev. Billy Daniels and the Rev. Kenny Dickson officiating. Burial followed in Bogata Cemetery under the direction of Wood Funeral Homes. Nephews served as pallbearers.

Mr. Moore was born in Red River County on October 11, 1917, the son of Jessie Monroe and Eva Bankston Moore. On October 7, 1939, he married the former Nettie McConnell in the Turner Lake Community of Red River County. He was a retired rancher.

He is survived by his wife, Nettie Moore of Bogata; three daughters and sons-in-laws, Kay and Boyd Griffin of Bogata, Margie and James Walker of Cuthand and Jessie and Bob Carmichael of Brooklyn, Iowa; eight grandchildren, Medreth Clements, Donna Ward, Kim Fields, Nikki Matlock, Drew Carmichael, Misti Fair, Haley Griffin and Josh Griffin; eight great-grandchildren, Koni, Jennifer and Paul Clements, Brooke, Kati and Matthew Ward and Mackenzie and Garrett Fields.

He was preceded in death by a daughter, Connie Pinkston on April 16, 1980; a granddaughter, Kathy Walker Ewing on August 8, 1999; three brothers, Harvey Moore, Rufus Moore, Emmitt "Red" Moore; and two sisters, Ola May O'Donnell and Willie Maud Blissard.

Claudie Dudley dies April 2

Claudie Dudley, age 91 of Deport died Sunday, April 2 at his home.

Services were held at 3:00 p.m. Tuesday, April 4 at Bright-Holland Funeral Home with the Rev. Freddy Burden officiating. Burial followed in Shady Grove Cemetery.

Mr. Dudley was born September 18, 1908 in Lamar County, a son of Rufus and Ella Talley Dudley. He married Lois Stansell on September 23, 1929 in Hugo, OK. He worked for the W.P.A. in Lamar County and was a caterpillar operator for 30 years. He was a deacon and member of the First Baptist Church of Deport.

Surviving are his wife; two sons, Jerry Dudley of Deport and Rodger Dudley and his wife Linda of Duncanville; seven grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents; two sisters; three brothers; and a grandson.

Bearers were Gordon Isbell, Donald Bob Merritt, Charles Malone, Johnnie Dawson, Raymond Hoover, Doc Enox, Kyle Wright and Eddie McLaughlin.

Wanted, Cooks!

Liz Irwin, our cooking columnist, needs cooks to interview anywhere in this area. Please call her at 903-982-5829, or the Bogata News at 632-5322 or Deport Times at 652-4205 or Talco Times at 379-4445 and tell us about a good or unusual cook of any age that you would like to see featured.

Irene M. Johnson dies March 25

Irene M. Johnson, age 79, a resident of Dallas died March 25.

Services were held at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, March 28 at 11:30 a.m. in Grove Hill Funeral Home Chapel in Dallas.

She was born in September, 1920, to Bob and Lucy McClung. She retired from the Richardson I.S.D. and was a member of the Texas Retired Teachers Association and Texas State Teachers Association.

Surviving are a son, Joe Bob Johnson and his wife Suzanne of Mabank; a grandson, Mike Johnson of Flatrock, North Carolina; granddaughter, Shara Patton of Mabank; great-granddaughters, Brady Johnson of Flatrock, North Carolina and Brielle Patton of Mabank; a sister, Nadine Caldwell of Talco; a niece, Gayla Dodd of Garland; great-niece, Shana Dodd of Garland; and a great-nephew, Chad Dodd of California.

Arlene H. Burks dies April 5

Arlene H. Burks, age 90, died April 5 at East Texas Medical Center in Clarksville.

Funeral services were held Friday, April 7 at 2:00 p.m. at Knights of Honor Cemetery in Blossom with the Rev. Mark Gossett officiating. Services were conducted under the direction of Clarksville Funeral Home.

Mrs. Burks was born September 3, 1909 in Minter, a daughter of Frank and Ella Montgomery Hart. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Clarksville and the retired Blossom Postmaster.

Her husband, Gordon Dale Burks, preceded her in death; along with a grandson, Michael Dale Parker.

Surviving are a daughter and son-in-law, Wanda and Buddy Parker of Clarksville; two grandchildren, Bobby Parker and wife Carol of Clarksville and Cheri Doyle and husband Curtis of Clarksville; and three great-grandchildren, Beau, Cole and Chet.

Card of Thanks

The family of Kelley Boyd would like to thank everyone who helped extinguish their recent house fire. Special thanks to the Bogata Fire Department.

Kelley, Deana & Paige Boyd

Joshua Lance Belcher dies April 7

Joshua Lance Belcher, age 21 of Bogata died Friday, April 7 at East Texas Medical Center in Clarksville.

Services were held Monday, April 10 at 11:00 a.m. in the First Baptist Church of Bogata with the Rev. Don Shovan and the Rev. Ronny Ross officiating. Burial followed in Cuthand Cemetery under the direction of Clarksville Funeral Home.

Josh was born July 3, 1978 in Milam, Pleasant, a son of Randy and Julie Littrell Belcher. He was a graduate of Rivercrest High School and a member of the Four States High School Rodeo Association. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Bogata and was a construction worker.

Surviving are his parents, Julie and Tommy Childers of Bogata and Randy and Sandra Belcher of Cuthand; grandparents, Pete and Peggy Belcher of Cuthand, Billy and Fran Littrell of Bogata, Carl Childers of Bogata and Robert and Patsy Guinn of Clarksville; sisters, Mary Childers of Houston, Hannah Belcher of Como-Pickton and Alicia Starnacle of Cuthand; and two brothers, Dere Belcher of Bogata and Matt Childers of Milam.

Bearers were Tye Mankins, Jerad Guest, Erric Martin, Chad Martin, A.D. Martin, Cortney Huddleston, Jim Purviance and Amos Meredith.

Card of Thanks

I would like to thank the many friends who participated in my recovery of pneumonia, especially Dr. McLemore and the hospital staff that took care of me while I was in Christus St. Joseph's Hospital. For all those who offered prayers in my behalf, telephone calls from family and friends, for neighbors who helped with livestock feeding, cards, flowers and food, I especially thank you.

Clovis VanDeaver

Card of Thanks

I would like to thank all my family and friends who came and helped me celebrate my 80th birthday and those who called.

May God bless each of you as he has me.

Christyne Baker

April 13, 2000
Just Recipes

Golden Corn Soup

1/2 medium onion
6 tablespoons margarine
1/4 cup flour
1-1/2 cans or 4 cups chicken broth
1 cup milk
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon pepper
1/8 teaspoon garlic powder
1-1/2 ounce can cream-style corn
1 large diced and cooked potato
2 slices American or Velveeta cheese

In large pan, saute onion in butter 5 until tender. Add flour; cook and stir until bubbly. Gradually add chicken broth; cook and stir until thickened for about 5 minutes. Stir in milk, cheese, salt, pepper and garlic. Add corn and potatoes and cook; stirring constantly until heated through.

Streusel Topped Peach Kuchen

2-1/2 cups all-purpose flour-divided
1/3 cup granulated sugar
1 envelope rapid-rise yeast
1/4 teaspoon salt
1/2 cup butter or margarine
1/4 cup milk
1/4 cup water
2 eggs
2-15 ounce cans sliced peaches-drained
Cinnamon Nut Topping
1/4 cup cold butter or margarine
1/2 cup granulated sugar
1/3 cup chopped pecans
1/4 cup all-purpose flour
1/2 teaspoon cinnamon

In large mixing bowl, combine 1 cup flour, sugar, yeast and salt. Heat butter, milk and water until very warm (120-130 degrees). Gradually add to dry ingredients. Beat 2 minutes at medium speed, scraping bowl occasionally. Add eggs and 1/2 cup flour, beat 2 minutes at high speed, scraping bowl occasionally. Stir in remaining flour to make a stiff batter. Transfer to a greased 13x9-inch pan. Arrange peaches in rows on top of batter. To prepare topping. In a medium bowl, cut butter into brown sugar until crumbly. Add granulated sugar, pecans, flour and cinnamon. Stir until well blended. Sprinkle evenly over peaches. Cover; let rise in a warm draft-free place until doubled in size or about one hour. Bake at 375 degrees for 25-30 minutes or until done.

Chunky Oatmeal Cookies

12 eggs
1 package (32 ounce) brown sugar
4 cups sugar
2 cups butter or margarine-softened
18 cups old-fashioned oats
3 jars (1 pound each) peanut butter
1/4 cup cinnamon
1/4 cup vanilla extract
8 teaspoons baking soda
3 cups semi-sweet chocolate chips
1 package M&M's

In a mixing bowl, combine eggs and sugars. Add butter and mix well. Add oats, peanut butter, cinnamon, vanilla and baking soda. Mix well. Stir in chocolate chips and M&M's. Drop by rounded teaspoonsful on ungreased cookie sheet. Bake at 350 degrees for 12-14 minutes. Yield 24 dozen.

Cornbread for a Crowd


3-1/2 cups cornmeal
2-1/2 cups all-purpose flour
2 tablespoons baking powder
1-1/2 teaspoon baking soda
1-1/2 teaspoon salt
4 eggs
3 cups buttermilk
1 cup vegetable oil

In large bowl, combine cornmeal, flour, baking powder, baking soda and salt. Combine eggs, buttermilk and oil. Stir into dry ingredients just until moistened. Pour into a greased 13x9-inch pan and a 9x2-inch baking pan. Bake at 425 degrees for 20-25 minutes or until a toothpick inserted comes out clean.

Pounds-off Cornbread Stuffing

1 box corn muffin mix
1/3 cup skim milk
2 egg whites
1 can corn kernels-drained
1/3 teaspoons cayenne pepper
1 tablespoon olive oil
2 ribs celery-chopped
1 onion-chopped
2 cloves garlic-minced
1 carrot grated
1 box frozen chopped collard greens
1 teaspoon rubbed sage
1 teaspoon marjoram
1 teaspoon salt
1/2 cup fat-free chicken broth

Bake muffin mix using skim milk and egg whites. Add corn and pepper to batter. Heat oil, add celery, onion and garlic, cook til tender. Add carrot and greens. Cook 2 minutes. Remove from heat and crumble cornbread into skillet; add sage and marjoram, salt and broth. Spoon into 8x12-inch baking dish and cover with foil. Bake 35-40 minutes at 350 degrees.



April 23
Easter

SPECIALS AT THE

Lonesome Dove Cafe

SPECIALS FROM 5:00 p.m. til Closing

Tues.- Old Fashioned Hamburger w Fries \$3.49

Wed.-Seafood Buffet all you can eat \$11.95

Thurs.-Chicken Fried Steak \$4.95

Fri.-Fish & Ribs \$9.99 all you can eat

Sat. Seafood Buffet, all you can eat \$11.95

Sat. Charbroiled Sirloin Steak, \$9.99

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1999-2000-LADY REBELS GOLF TEAM-members are; (from left) Jill Foster, Audra Meredith and Allison Foster; (back row from the left) Danielle Easterling, Krystal Valenzuela, Kaylan Bell, Nicole Hervey, Jessica Rose and Dusty Townes. The team won first place in district and will be traveling to Stephenville at the end of the month to compete in the Regional finals.

Rivercrest golfers prepare for regionals

The Rebel and Lady Rebel golf teams are enjoying a very successful season this year. The boys team competed in the Bonham invitational tournament, the Prairiland invitational tournament and last week, they competed in the district tournament at Elk Hollow in Paris. Members of the boys team are Colby Guest, Kris Hall, Kirk King, Ryan Case, Scotty Goodwin and Phillip Rolan. Colby Guest shot an 83 in the district tournament which qualified him to compete in the regional tournament which will be held in Stephenville later this month.

The Lady Rebel varsity golf team consisting of Audra Meredith, Jill Foster, Nicole Hervey, Kaylan Bell and Allison Foster had a very successful season also. They won first place in the Bonham invitational tournament with Jill Foster receiving the award for first place medalist and

Audra Meredith receiving the award for second place medalist. At the Prairiland invitational tournament, the team won first place again with Audra Meredith receiving the second place medalist award. In last week's district tournament at Elk Hollow Golf Course in Paris the team placed second, just 5 strokes behind the first place Honey Grove team. Audra Meredith was the first place medalist in the district tournament. The Lady Rebel junior varsity team consisting of Michelle Bryant, Jessica Rose, Danielle Easterling, Dusty Townes and Krystal Valenzuela also competed in the district tournament and finished 6th. The Lady Rebel varsity team will travel to Stephenville later this month to compete in the regional tournament. The teams are coached by Superintendent, Gary Van Deaver. Good Luck at Regionals!!!!



CLASS OF 1925- Maggie Harden Lee was on hand for the Bogata School Homecoming held Saturday, April 8, 2000. This year is Mrs. Maggie's 75th year out of high school and she certainly doesn't show it. She was honored with a bouquet of red roses by Master of Ceremonies, Jack Doid, during the program. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

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Jill Foster

The public buys its opinions as it buys its meat, or takes in its milk, on the principle that it is cheaper to do this than to keep a cow.

—Samuel Butler

Jill Foster named National Beta Scholar

The National Beta Club announced recently that Jill Foster has been named a Beta Scholar which entitles her to a scholarship award of \$1,000.

Jill, a senior at Rivercrest High School, competed against more than 962 candidates nationwide for this honor. Two hundred nine scholarship recipients were chosen. She plans to attend Texas A & M University in College Station, Tx.

Beta Scholars are selected based on their grade point average, SAT/ACT scores and especially, their active participation in Beta Club activities. She was recommended for this award by the local Beta Club sponsor, Tammy Kuhlengel and high school principal, Keith Brown.

"This outstanding young person represents the true spirit of National Beta, having excelled not only academically, but in leadership and service to school and community as well," said Dr. George W. Lockamy, executive director of the National Beta Club. Headquartered in Spartanbury, SC, the National Beta Club is an academic, leadership service club for high school students.

Jill is the daughter of Morris and Ginger Foster of Bogata and the granddaughter of Sam and Sammie McConnell of Bogata and Marlin and the late Billie Foster of Deport.

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GUEST REGISTRATION-is a very important part of any homecoming event and the ladies pictured had their hands full keeping up with guest at the Bogata School Homecoming held Saturday, April 8, 2000. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



Chellyn Wilson

"Explosion 2000" coming April 30

On April 30, Love Civic Center will be alive with contemporary Christian music with five bands taking the stage to share with all area youth.

The concert is being sponsored by the BSM of PJC along with Campus Crusade for Christ and UCM/Wesley Foundation of PJC.

Doors will open at 4 p.m. and the concert will begin at 4:30. There will be a \$2.00 admission charge at the door.

For information, call 782-6603, Dan Edwards.

Chellyn Wilson earns championship title

Chellyn Wilson, great granddaughter of Lucille Chiders of Johntown, continues to garner honors her senior year at Hughes Springs High School. Last week she and her partner, Melissa Nix, captured the District 17-2A tennis doubles championship.

Earlier this year, Chellyn was instrumental in leading the Lady Mustangs in their quest for a repeat of last year's state championship title in 2A basketball. After a spectacular 30-3 season, the team were finally defeated in semi-final play by McKinney by Brock. Chellyn and Amy, partner were named as Co-Most Valuable Players in District 17-2A, were named to the Region III All Region Team and were named to the Texas association of Basketball Coaches 1999-2000 Class 2A All State Team.

Chellyn, the daughter of Clint and Julie Combest, averaged 13.3 points, with 4.0 rebounds, leading the team with 113 steals and 115 assists. She

was named as Co-MVP to the Longview News Journal All East Texas Basketball Team, along with Kirby Killingsworth of Longview.

The icing on the cake for this award from the News Journal came due to the amazing performance of Chellyn in the regional semi-final victory over No. 2 ranked Crawford. Hughes Springs were trailing by 16 in the 4th quarter when Chellyn lunched a 3 pointer, connecting on the bomb as she was knocking on the floor. She hit the bonus free throw to complete a rare four point play. She scored 10 points and came away with 5 steals during a 16-0 run that tied the game and forced overtime. She then banged home four free throws in the final 19 seconds to help Hughes Springs advance to Austin.

Chellyn is the granddaughter of Preston (Butch) and Toni Combest of Pittsburg.

Have A Nice Weekend

FOOT NOTES

Dr. Austin Reeves

SURVEY: DIABETICS NEED BETTER FOOT CARE

A recent study, sponsored by the American Orthopedic Foot and Ankle Society, reveals a need for better diabetic foot care. The study was designed to measure the current level of preventive foot care given to diabetics in the United States. Diabetes is the leading cause of foot amputations in this country. Due to loss of sensation in the foot, a common diabetic symptom, many patients develop foot ulcers, infections and other potentially dangerous problems. Earlier studies have shown that a combination of patient education, protective shoes and inserts, and regular foot exams can reduce the risk for diabetes, relates foot problems. This study showed that only 12% of patients wore protective shoes and 15% used custom foot orthoses.

If you have diabetes, you probably already know that you face special health challenges as the result of the disease. Slow healing due to poor circulation in the feet may increase the risk of infection, and damaged nerves can impair the sensations that make it possible to feel the pain that signals an injury. Don't take chances with your health. Protect your feet and your health by seeking professional help for treatment as well as prevention. New patients are always welcome here at DOCTOR'S FOOT CLINIC. Call 784-5585 for an appointment.

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- (1) Distributed Generation Service ("DGS");
- (2) Transmission Service Distribution Voltage; and
- (3) Agreement for Standby Service

This filing, which has been assigned Tariff Control No. 22256, was made in compliance with Substantive Rule 25.211 and provides for interconnection and parallel operation of distributed generation. Upon approval by the Public Utility Commission of Texas ("PUC") this rate will be available system-wide and will remain in effect until January 1, 2002.

Persons who wish to intervene in or comment upon this proceeding should notify the PUC as soon as possible. The deadline for intervention in the proceeding is May 5, 2000. A request to intervene or for further information should be mailed to the Public Utility Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326. Further information may also be obtained by calling the Public Utility Commission's Office of Consumer Protection at (512)936-7120 or (888)782-8477. Hearing and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may contact the PUC at (512)936-7136. In addition, information may be obtained by contacting Garry Johnson of TNMP at (800)435-2822.

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Red River Healthcare Center
to sponsor Easter coloring contest

The Red River Healthcare Center will be sponsoring an Easter coloring contest for Bogata School grades Kindergarten through Second. 1st, 2nd and 3rd place prizes will be awarded to winners selected from each grade level. Each child entering will receive a candy treat and winners will be announced in the Bogata News. The Easter pictures will be on display in the chapel at Red River Healthcare Center.

Easter pictures will be given out and colored at the Bogata School. Everyone is encouraged to stop by and see their child's picture and visit with the residents and staff of Red River Healthcare Center.

Commissioners Report for March
by Ricky Daniels

We have had some good rains in March which hindered the work to some degree. We were able to get work done around the shop area and maintenance work that was needed done. This month 6 loads of red rock were hauled to different roads. 1 load of white rock was hauled off the yard; 2 loads of railroad rock was hauled and 15 loads of state material were hauled. 3 culverts were installed and 1 bridge headwall was repaired.

In Commissioner's court we approved Auditor to go out for bids for a new car for the Sheriff's Department; approved resolution for struck-off property; approved hiring a firm for redistricting; approved proclamation designating March 19-25, 2000 as Poison Prevention Week; approved resolution supporting restoration of the Red River County Courthouse; opened bids for road material, hauling, fuel and general insurance covering county property; discussed updating overweight truck permit policy.

If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to call me at 632-5963 or stop by my office in Bogata.

People 'n Things

Third Tuesday of each month
Bogata Lions Club sponsors Bingo at Red River Healthcare Center. Lions Club members should volunteer to help when they can.

First Mondays
NAMI (National Alliance for the Mentally Ill) Consumers meeting will be held on the first Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church located at 4th and Madison in Mt. Pleasant, Tx. All interested persons are invited to attend.

April 14
The Rebel varsity baseball team will host Prairiland with game time set for 4:00 p.m. Come out and support the team.

April 17
The Rebel junior varsity baseball team will travel to Honey Grove. Game time is set for 4:00 p.m. Come out and support the team.

April 18
The Rebel varsity baseball team will travel to Chisum with game time set for 4:30 p.m.

April 20
The Rebel JV baseball team will travel to Clarksville with game time set for 5:00 p.m.

April 22
Make plans to attend the 8th Annual Talco Park sponsored Easter Egg Hunt beginning at 11:00 a.m.

April 29
Make plans to attend Bingo Nite at the Talco School Cafeteria on April 29 from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Prizes will be awarded to game winners and all proceeds will go to the American Cancer Society. The night is being sponsored by the Talco Sugar Bakers, "Cooking for a Cure".

April 29
Make plans to attend the Talco School Homecoming beginning with visiting at 9:00 a.m.

Notice
Alcoholics Anonymous beginning in July will meet on every Wednesday only at 8 p.m. in the St. Joseph's Catholic Church Rec. Room in Clarksville. Everyone is Welcome.

The next direct distribution date is Tuesday, April 17 in Bogata and Clarksville for the food bank. Bogata distribution will be at the First Baptist Church from 9 until 10:30 a.m.. If you completed an application form January, February or March, all you need is identification.

Saturday, April 29, 2000
The above date will be Bingo Nite sponsored by the Talco Sugar Bakers, "Cooking for a Cure". There will be great prizes, good food, lots of fun and something for everyone. All proceeds to the American Cancer Society.

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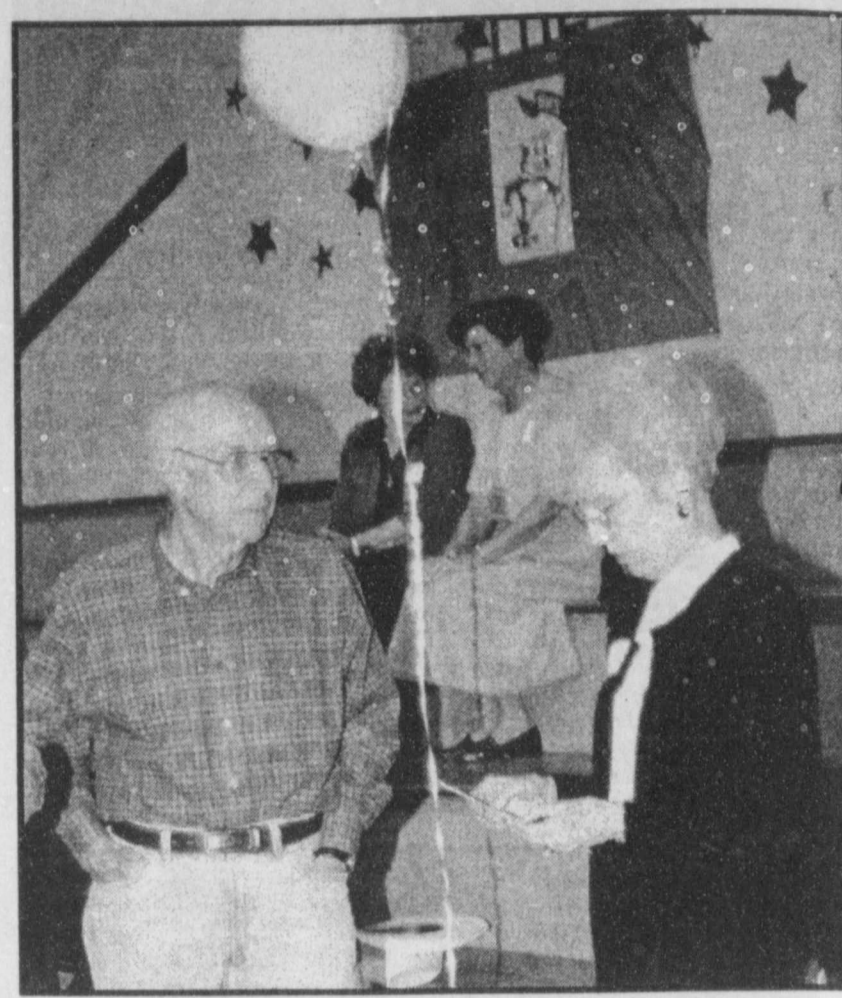
Editor's Note:
It is normally not our policy to run a letter without a signature. But, this letter is so very special that we are running it. We know who wrote it, but they asked that their name be withheld. We would like very much to add our heartfelt approval of what the writer has to say. Read and believe.

Dear Editor:
We turned left from Main onto 909 in Bogata. We passed the diner and the fire station and there on the left he stood. We were in the funeral procession for Joshua Lance Belcher. Our community had lost two outstanding, loved men. It was a bleak day. And there he stood.

He might have been 13, or 18, at my age it is hard to tell. He had been working, mowing a yard. Now his mower stood silent beside him. He stood as if at attention, his work clothes a uniform, his cap held firmly to his heart. I have no doubt that he remained so until the last of that long train of vehicles had passed. No better testament was given that day. There was the reason I moved my family back to this community in one simple, unselfish, amazing act.

His parents should be proud, extremely proud! Our country should take note. We should be grateful for the privilege of a community where such a young man is not yet odd.

I saw many young men and women today under the worst possible conditions and they made us proud. In the time of Columbine and other unimaginable school shootings and tragedies, I think I saw the answer today. It might be community, tradition, and unbounding respect for our neighbors. The entire country is trying to find what we have and too often take for granted. It takes a day like today to remind us of the answer. There is hope.



DRUMMING UP DONATIONS-Mirian and A.D. Stephenson were on hand at the Bogata School Homecoming held Saturday, April 8th not only to visit and enjoy but to collect donations for the newly founded Bogata Library/Museum. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Council sees to regular business

The Bogata City Council met Monday, April 10 with Mayor Garretson and all councilmembers present, as well as three employees and 16 visitors.

Mayor Garretson called the meeting to order and the invocation was given by Rev. Kenny Dickson. Minutes of the previous meeting were approved and bills and final waterbills were approved.

Rev. Kenny Dickson asked about the use of the Community Center for a community service project and was given permission to do so.

Water Superintendent Wendell Davis gave his report, which included 43 work orders, one water/sewer tap, one culvert installed, six meters changed out, oil change in the new truck and nine dogs picked up with two being returned to owners. He also assisted in getting the new fire truck to Texarkana to be repaired.

Charles D. Lewis reported that the fire truck has been repaired. Hale Electric has run a 220V service in the building and they need a computer phone line in the fire station.

Police Chief Clegg reported that the squad car needs repair and he is expecting an applicant Tuesday morning. He thanked Price Ford who had loaned him a Lincoln to use as a patrol car after the City's broke down.

Under old business, the Mayor reported that Hale Electric will repair the fire siren this week.

A request for a street light at 717 N. Main was disapproved, with all councilmembers voting to disapprove, except Ed Spencer, who abstained.

A street light on FM909 by the bridge and Thomas Park was tabled until next month.

Junk Vehicle Ordinance #98-09 was amended and an ordinance specifying officer count in accordance with Government Code and TX Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education was approved.

An ordinance concerning big trucks on City streets was tabled until next meeting as well as an ordinance concerning a Drought Contingency Plan and a Cross Connection and Backflow Prevention Ordinance. No action was taken concerning a citizen selling lots at S. Bryson and U.S. Hwy. 271.

Mayor Garretson told the Council that due to the Public Utility Commission figuring the franchise payment from GTE on a statewide average, the projected amount will be approximately \$15,200.

Council discussed the possibility of using this money to make payments on the new fire truck and removing the \$2.00 volunteer fire donation from the water bills, but voted unanimously to leave the \$2.00 volunteer fire donation "as is". A meeting was set for Friday, May 12 at 6:00 p.m. to canvass votes and swear in officers.

The council voted to purchase 24 padded folding chairs for the council room, and tabled the request for more speed bumps on Roachtown Road until the next meeting.

A STOP sign will be installed by the County Commissioner at Sewer Plant Rd. (CR1444) and more patrolling will be done on Roachtown Road in the meantime to see if this alleviates the problem of speeding.

Councilman Spencer is concerned about the streets and asked about getting some oil sand to repair them, but Mayor Garretson said the ditches need to be cleaned out first.

The meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

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Junior High Lady Rebels do well in district track and field

The Junior High District girls District track and field meet was held April 4, 2000 at Rivercrest High School. Participating in the meet were; Honey Grove, Paul Pewitt, Cooper, Chapel Hill, Chisum and Rivercrest.

In the 7th grade division the Lady Rebels placed 1st overall followed by Cooper.

In the 8th grade division the Lady Rebels placed 5th overall. Coaches Tammie Case and Debbie Williams were very pleased with each girls performance. The results were as follows:

8th grade-Danielle Varner-4th place shot and 1st place discus with 79 ft. 3 1/2 inches. Paige Boyd-1st place 300 meter hurdles. Heather Cox-6th place 100 meter hurdles and 3rd place 300 meter hurdles. Mindy Riffle-6th place 800 meter run. Stephanie Williams-2nd place 1200 meter run and 2400 meter run. 400 meter relay team-Candace Davis, Chassity Hale, Brooke Ward and Kristin Simmons-5th place and 1600 meter relay team-Heather Cox, Tiffani Cooksey, Paige Boyd and Can-

dace Davis-3rd place.

7th grade-Lindsey Robertson-4th place high jump and 2nd place 400 meter run. Jill Shirley-4th place high jump, 4th place 100 meter hurdles and 2nd place 800 meter run. Casey Hammonds-4th place 100 meter run, 6th place 200 meter run, 5th place long jump and 1st place triple jump. Leslie Richeson-3rd place shot and 5th place 800 meter run. Dana Crawford-4th place 2400 meter run. Nikki O'Donnell-6th place long jump, 1st place 2400 meter run and 3rd place 400 meter run. Kendra Birchfield-3rd place 100 hurdles. Lacie Hinton-5th place 200 meter run. Tracy Gallo-way-3rd place 1200 meter run. Cassie McCuller-1st place 100 meter hurdles and 1st place 300 meter hurdles. 400 meter relay team-Kacey VanDeaver, Kendra Birchfield, Johna Ingram and Cassie McCuller 3rd place. 800 meter relay team-Lindsey Robertson, Lacie Hinton, Dawn Wilson and Casey Hammonds 3rd place and 1600 meter relay team-Lindsey Robertson, Jill Shirley, Johna Ingram and Kendra Birchfield-1st place. Great job Lady Rebels!!!!!!



Mr. and Mrs. Shannon D. Richeson

Belcher-Richeson exchange vows

Amanda Brooke Belcher and Shannon Dee Richeson were united in marriage on April 1, 2000 at the Talco Church of Christ. Bro. John David Wright and Bro. Brian Hodge officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mary Belcher and the granddaughter of Julianne Lipe of Avery. She is a graduate of Rivercrest High School and is a part time employee at Wright Excavating in Talco.

The groom is the son of Shelia Keel of Talco and Todd Wright of Talco and the grandson of L.D. and Francis Richeson of Talco and John D. and the late Virginia Wright of Talco. He is a graduate of Rivercrest High and is employed by Teal Construction Company in Mt. Pleasant. The bride wore a tea length white

satin dress adorned with lace and seed pearls. She was given in marriage by her mother. She carried a bouquet of fresh red roses accented with baby's breath and ribbon.

The groom wore a black tuxedo accented with a red rose boutonniere.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at the church. The bride's table held a 3 tier wedding cake, punch and mints. Serving were the groom's cousins, Leslie Richeson and Jesi Navi and aunt, Missy Gentry.

The grooms table held a chocolate cake, coffee and nuts. Serving were the grooms cousins, Brandi Watson and Shaunda Tiffie. Guests were registered by Ashley Huckabee.

Following a honeymoon trip to Galveston the couple returned to their home in Talco.

Notice to RHS class of 1985

Plans have been in the works for a Rivercrest High School Class of 1985 Reunion during this past year. Class members have searched high and low for classmates to make the reunion set for May 20, 2000 at the Bogata Community Center a success.

A questionnaire was mailed to all class members who have been found and a request for a return of the questionnaire by February 12, 2000 was made. The group have received few responses although they hear of many who plan to attend. In order to have enough food for those planning to attend the questionnaires are very important and even if plans to attend are not made the questionnaires will let classmates know what has happened in each classmates life.

All classmates are urged to please return these forms as soon as possible to Jennifer Reeder, whose address is on the form. Lets celebrate our 15th year away from Rivercrest High School back together again!



Have A Nice Weekend

Talco-Bogata-RHS school menu April 17-21

- Monday**
 - Breakfast**
 - French toast w/syrup juice & milk
 - Lunch**
 - Pizza corn salad fruit cobbler milk
- Tuesday**
 - Breakfast**
 - Cereal toast juice & milk
 - Lunch**
 - Chicken patties w/gravy cream potatoes green beans rolls milk
- Wednesday**
 - Breakfast**
 - Sausage & biscuit w/jelly juice & milk
 - Lunch**
 - Corn dogs macaroni w/cheese fried okra apple sauce milk
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Corbell clan gathering held April 9, 2000

The Corbell family reunion was held at the Bogata Community Center on Sunday, April 9, 2000 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The special occasion of the day was celebration of Chrystine Baker's 80th birthday. She received many nice gifts from her family members and enjoyed her special day.

The family enjoyed finger foods and exchanging white elephant gifts through a game. Each year the family sells chances on a painting or original family made item. This year the item was a Sue Miars Original. The money collected on these items is donated to the Bogata Cemetery Association. This year \$130.00 was collected for the cemetery fund.

Attending were; Chrystine Baker, Tom and Glenda Corbell, Mike, Angie and Ashley Corbell, Joe Cobell of Tyler, Billie and Mary Welch of Blossom, Nina and Doyle Smith of Denton, Peggy and Bo Yale, Craig, Lisa, Kelsey and Katelyn Yale of Ft. Worth, Shawn and Blake Waters of Alvarado, Carol, Bill, Casy and James Baker of Athens, John David Hudgeons of Dallas, Ann Carolyn Stetson of Ft. Worth, Ruby Hazel Smith, Nell and B. T. Tucker of Seymour, Gene Leatherwood and granddaughter of Gilmer, Dorothy Sullon, Milton and Virginia Alexander of Dallas, Winifred Bishop of Clarksville, Donna Rozell and several others who failed to register.

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Friday, June 2, 2000: Registration begins at 9:00 a.m. at the American Legion Hall. Stay for visitation and coffee and donuts. There will be a dance Friday night beginning at 8:00 p.m. at the Fire Station. Other activities will be held at the Legion Hall including a noon meal of catered barbeque on Saturday June 3rd. Serving will begin at 12 noon. For reservations for barbeque meal please send payment of \$8.00 per person to Juanita Sparks, P.O. Box 156, Deport, TX 75435 by May 15th 2000.

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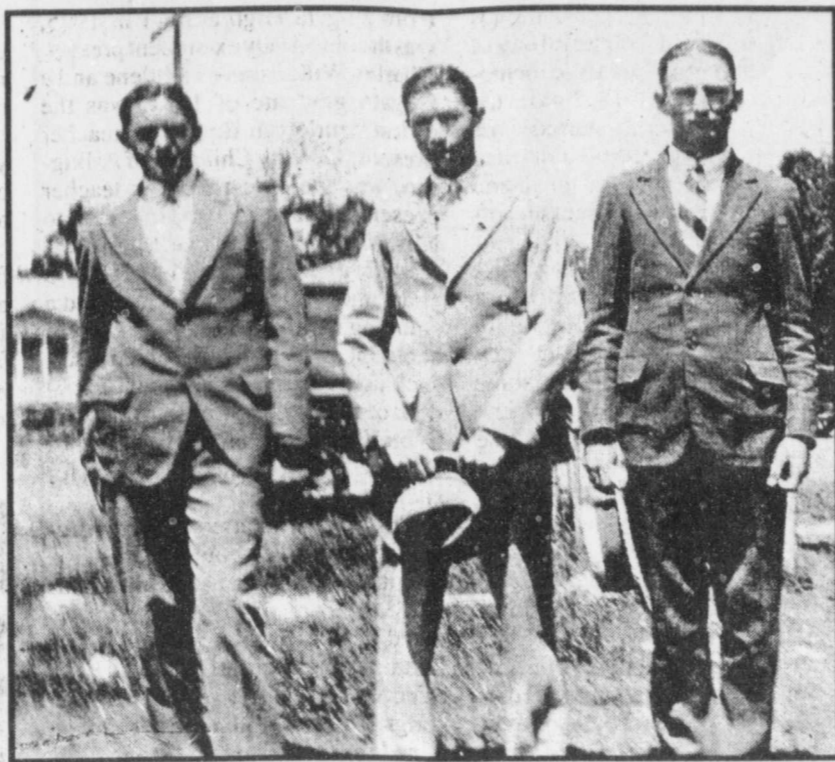
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THE CLASS OF 1925 from Bogata High School turned out to be a small one, only 6 members. The group who had 36 members as 8th graders fell to only 6 as students had to go to work to help out at home. Those lucky enough to receive their diploma's were; (left to right men) Jimmie Underwood, Wayne Ferguson and Lucien Elder and (left to right women) Margaret Howison, Johnnie Quinton and Maggie Harden. The graduates pictures were made on May 24, 1925.



Services held at Thedford Homes

On April 4, 2000 a covered dish lunch was held at the Thedford Homes. Following a time of fellowship, the group of 17 enjoyed a gospel singing. Special numbers included Darren Moore and Ashlyn Owen and Dovie Moulton singing "Swing Low Sweet Chariot", "Fill My Cup" illustrated in sign language by Marilyn Moore and sung by Jennifer Kilmer, "Now I Have Everything" by Nadine Gore and "Let Me Be There" by Lee Robinson. Prayer requests were taken and "Happy Birthday" was sung to Helen and Charles Harper.

The sermon for the day was "How Much Does God Love You?" based on John 3:16 and preached by Bro. Charles Harper. The next service will be on Tuesday, April 18, 2000 at 12 noon. The guest speaker will be Bro. Donnie Sherrill, pastor of the Bogata Assembly of God Church. All residents and friends of Thedford Homes are invited to attend.



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Talco Science Department making plans to publish cookbook

The Talco Junior High Science Department is putting together a cookbook to help raise funds for hands-on science experiences. The students have already started collecting recipes for the book which will be titled "Cooking Rebel Style".

The cookbook will contain a collection of recipes from the cooks of the district, helpful cooking hints and basic kitchen information. Each recipe will show the name of the contributor and be beautifully bound in an attractive cover featuring the Rebel man printed on a blue and white background, representing the Rivercrest School colors. The book will be printed up during the summer months and will go on sale sometime in August or September of 2000.

The group is seeking recipes from the cooks of the Rivercrest School District and the surrounding area. Please help make the cookbook a success by submitting your recipes to the Talco Science Department by April 30, 2000 so they can be typed and mailed to the publisher.

Recipes may be mailed to Leah Bull, Talco Junior High, 400 Lawrence St., Talco, Texas 75487 or they may be dropped off at the Talco School. You may call 379-3841 for more information or to reserve your cookbook. Your support and recipes will be greatly appreciated.

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Who qualifies for an exemption?
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Are other exemptions available?
 If you're disabled—or if you're 65 years old or older—you are entitled to an additional \$10,000 school tax exemption on your home. And if you qualify for the over-65 exemption, you're also entitled to a permanent, locked-in "ceiling" on the school property taxes on your home. (The ceiling does not apply to county or city property taxes, and those entities may offer other exemptions.) The over-65 homeowner's exemptions and school tax ceiling transfers to the surviving spouse, if the spouse is 55 years of age or older at the time of death and lives in and owns the home. Over-65 homeowners also may transfer the percentage of school tax paid, based on their former home's over-65 school tax ceiling, to a new home.

Do I have to apply each year?
 No. If you had a homestead exemption on your home in 1999, you won't need to reapply for 2000 unless your chief appraiser requires it. However, if you haven't received an exemption on your present home—or if you've moved to a new home—you'll need to file for an exemption for 2000. If you are 65 this year, you may file for the over-65 exemption up to one year after the date you turned 65. And if you became disabled during 1999, you need to file for the disabled person's exemption.

When and where should I file?
 File applications by May 1 at your appraisal district office. If you need more time, contact us at: (903) 427-4181

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For more information, stop in or call for a free copy of "Texas Property Taxes: Taxpayers' Rights, Remedies and Responsibilities" or contact:
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Bogata School Homecoming held April 8, 2000

Ex students, teachers and friends came together for a wonderful day of visiting and sharing "good old memories" on Saturday, April 8, 2000 at the Bogata School. Visiting started in the school gym around 10:00 a.m. then moved to the cafeteria for lunch and back to the gym for a business meeting, program and more visiting.

Jack Dodd, of Rosalie, was Master of Ceremonies and it was easy to see how much he loves the community and everyone connected to it. Jack kept the crowd laughing; he told some pretty good jokes too. Bro. Gene Bowden, of Henderson, opened the meeting with prayer. Awards of recognition were given to the following: Oscar Sims, of Pensacola, Florida, who was the gentleman ex-student who had traveled the greatest distance to come to homecoming; Edith Smiley Collins, of Sun City, Arizona, who was the lady ex-student who had traveled the greatest distance to come to the homecoming; John Latimer, who graduated from Bogata High School in 1937, was the oldest gentleman ex-student present; Maggie Harden Lee, who graduated

from Bogata High School in 1925, was the oldest lady ex-student present; Charles Wilkinson, of Abilene and a Bogata graduate of 1941, was the oldest gentleman Bogata ex-teacher present; Genetty Childers, of Arlington, was the oldest lady ex-teacher present. Special recognition went to Mrs. Maggie Harden Lee. She graduated from Bogata High School 75 years ago!! this year! She received a standing ovation and Jack Dodd presented her with a bouquet of red roses. Jack ask Miriam Stephenson, President of the Bogata Library/Museum, to brief everyone on the founding of Bogata Library/Museum and plan for such.

The program started with an introduction by Wanda Lou Hale Bradley. She introduced her beautiful granddaughter, Keri Bradley, who participated in her school Show Choir and Drama Department at Cedar Hill High School. Keri did two Patsy Cline songs. Mollie Williams introduced her daughter, Mikel Haynes, of Bogata who played the piano and sang a wonderful song that she had

written "He Knows My Name". All classes with reunions were recognized and all teachers present were recognized.

Jack announced the host for next years homecoming will be the class of 1950. He ask Virginia Pike Coats to come forward to lead Bulldog cheers and said, "Virginia has a purse full of yells!" And she did! She ask past cheerleaders to join her and also ask three young members of the Pike family to help out. Virginia's last yell was "Two Bits" and the ex-students, teachers and guests nearly lifted the

roof on the final verse, "All for Bogata stand up and holler".

In closing Jack invited everyone to stay and visit awhile longer. The classes of 1952 and 1953 were the host for this year's homecoming and expressed appreciation to everyone for helping in so many ways and especially to Jack Dodd for serving as Master of Ceremonies and to Keri and Mikel for their sweet entertainment. Speaking for all who attended, "It was wonderful being together with dear friends again".

It's Spring.... Enjoy It!



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George and Janet Hobbs of Huntsville spent the weekend with his mother, Helen Williams, and attended the Bogata Homecoming held on Saturday. They also visited Mrs. Jerry Stewart of Clarksville.

Jim and Mary Stewart of Allen were in Bogata over the weekend for the Bogata School Homecoming. Mary visited her mother, Faye Conine, and other family and friends. Jim visited with Donald and Judy Screws Saturday afternoon. He also attended the class of 1960 homecoming get together held at the home of Neva Dale Harville.

Edith Collins of Arizona and Billie Bishop visited with Christine Baker on Thursday. Also visiting was Virginia Pike Coats of Grand Prairie.

Joye and Forrest King of Arlington, JoAnn and Gill Pike of DeSoto, Jack and Chee Pike and Virginia Pike Coats of Grand Prairie were in their home in Bogata from Thursday April 6 through Monday April 10. They attended the Bogata School Homecoming on Saturday. Guest in their home were Oscar and Jeannie Sims of Pensacola, Florida, Ruth and "Shadow" Sims of Garland, Dorothy and Altan Kellie, Taylor, Cameron, Kendal and Colby Thompson of

Pottsboro and friends from Bogata and surrounding area. They report a great time and express appreciation to Larry Hooper who worked so hard to get the plumbing and heating ready, Jim and Barbara Branch who care for things throughout the year and to Chief of Police, Charles Clegg for coming promptly when called. Getting help without a long wait was wonderful.

Jack and Mable Trout of Paris visited with Christine Baker recently. Also visiting and attending the Corbell family reunion were Nina and Doyle Smith of Denton.

Visitors at the home of Dixie Stringfellow during the past week were: Grady Rhodes, Dan and Vicki Tabb, Jan McCuller, Dee and Maggie Richardson, Edna Earl Dodd, Danny Tabb, William and Annette Cooper and Mark Stringfellow.

Dorothy Johnson treated Christine Baker to a birthday lunch at CiCi's Pizza Wednesday. Also joining them was Lou Mechler. They enjoyed shopping in the afternoon.

Christine Baker received happy 80th birthday calls from Estha Mae Hamilton of Sherman and Marie McCann of Lubbock.

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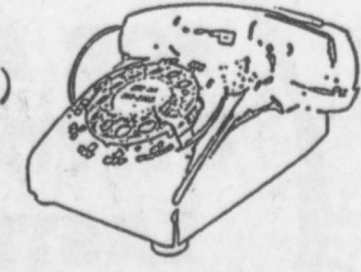
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Do you need to reapply annually?
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Red River Healthcare News

Visiting residents at Red River Healthcare this past week were:

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Resident, Jimmy Guess-Carrine Alford and John Topping.

Resident, Vivian Faii-Marilyn Presley, Victor Fail, Tara Clark, Ashley Fail, Kevin Mercer, Ann and Lynn Fail.

Resident, Alice Craig-Inez Gill. Resident, Irene House-Bernice Beers. Resident, Gladys Tucker-Nelda Tucker, Roger, Shirley, Clifton, Donnie, Ethan and Erica Tucker.

Resident, Pauline Hutson-Jerry Hutson.

Resident, Vernona Young-Gina Allen, Ruby Jordan, Jerry Kellogg and Carol Young, Jr. and Louise Becker.

Resident, Nettie Moore-Bro. Daniels, Jr. and Louise Becker, Ruth and Ed White, Ruby Jordan, Madine Ward and Mary Ann Williams.

Resident, Ada Holmes-Arnold Warren and daughters, Ann and Linda, Ruth Lee and Maudie Lee.

Resident, Leonard Fuller-Irene Fuller.

Resident, Melvin Pointer-Daphne Pointer.

Resident, Dorothy green-Charlene Knowles.

Resident, Norman Sain-Charlene Knowles.

Resident, Billie Hancock-B.J. and Taylor Dodd, Darian Smith, Helon and Sam Latimer, Lindy and Tana Guest, Shirley Smith, Jay Hancock.

Resident, George Hancock-Bryce Johnson, Wade, Bev and Ashley White and Inez Gill.

Resident, Pauline Alsbrook-Sue Martin and Mary Ann Williams.

Resident, Ann Cody-Janette Brooks, Wade, Bev and Ashley White and Billie and Harold Pierce.

Resident, Beaula Darby-Bryan, Tina, Cheyenne and Katie Williams.

Resident, Inez Henson-Richard Swarts and Wanda Morgan.

Resident, Lucille Morgan-Mary Ann Williams.

Resident, Gladys Sykes-Pat and Billie Lindsey.

Residents, Cecil and Dorothy Stockton-Matt and Donna Lammon.

Resident, Juanita Kelley-Cindy and Beverly Easterling.

Resident, Shelia Gibson-Inez Gill and Sharon Healy.

Resident, Mary Duke-Ray and Laverne.

Resident, Jennifer Hampton-Jorene Simpson., Cheryl Fulbright, Tisha Fulbright and Olivia Rosser.

Resident, Ruth Wood-Jim and Tedd Gayson.

Resident, Doris Glover-Mary Ann Williams.

Resident, Obbie Woods-Libb Rosser, Cheryl and Tisha Fulbright. Resident, Frances Griffin-Kathryn Kidd Winters and Mary Ann Williams.

The residents and activity department of Red River Haven would like to express appreciation to all the people who volunteer to help make activities special for the residents.

Your visits are looked forward to and appreciated by the residents at Red River Healthcare. Please stop by and visit family and friends today.



Congratulations to the Rivercrest Band for their outstanding performance at the UIL concert and sightreading contest. They received an Excellent rating on their prepared music which included Newcastle March, Korean Folk Song Rhapsody and Crest of Nobility. For the sightreading portion of the contest, the band received a Good rating for performing a piece of music that they had never seen before. "From what I was told by several people, this is the first time that the band has been to UIL in about 10 to 12 years and the first time in 20 years that the group has received this sort of positive recognition", says director Clayton Taylor. "Word cannot describe how proud I am of these fine young men and women as well as all the hard work that they have shown all year long. I also wish to thank the parents as well as the Rivercrest ISD administration and faculty for all of their support throughout the year."

*The Rivercrest Band will perform their program on April 15 at the American Classics contest held in Carrollton and also at their final performance of the year at the Spring Concert which will be held Sunday, May 7, 2000 beginning at 2:30 p.m.

*The Rivercrest Band Banquet will be held this year on Friday, May 5 in the High School Cafeteria. Everyone is invited to attend. Admission will be \$8.00 per person and tickets may be purchased from the Band Department at Rivercrest High School. Activities will include a slide show celebrating the events of the past year and a dance.

*The Rivercrest Band will be having auditions for Flags for the coming year. Any student, whether they are in band or not entering grades 9-12 next year, can pick up an information packet from the Rivercrest High School office or from Talco or Bogata School offices or from Band Director, Clayton Taylor.

The following regulations shall govern the keeping of rabbits, poultry and certain birds in the City:

(a) It shall be the duty of any person owning or having within their management or control, any rabbits, chickens, turkeys, geese or other poultry, to keep same in an enclosure upon their own premises at all times. Enclosure shall mean a house or building, or in case of a fence or structure or pen, it must have secure sides, top and a secure bottom. The structure or pen shall provide protection from the weather.

(b) No rabbits, chickens, turkeys, geese or other poultry shall be kept in any enclosure within the City, any part of which enclosure is within one hundred (100) feet of any occupied building or dwelling within the City other than the building or dwelling occupied by the owner of the animals.

(c) This section is not to be construed to prevent owners from keeping pet animals inside their residence.

(d) It shall be the duty of every person raising or harboring any rabbit or poultry to keep the enclosure required therefore in a sanitary condition, so that the same shall not at any time become foul or offensive to adjacent neighbors or to the public.

(e) Failure to comply with this section shall be deemed a nuisance.

Section 6. Vaccination Against Rabies.

(a) Required. It shall be the duty of the owner or keeper of each and every dog or cat kept in the City to have such dog or cat vaccinated against rabies by a practicing veterinarian by the time the animal is three (3) months of age and within every subsequent twelve (12) month period.

(b) Vaccination and tags. A licensed veterinarian shall do all vaccinations of dogs and cats for rabies. Upon vaccinations, the veterinarian shall give to the owner a suitable tag to be placed on a collar around the dog's or cat's neck, and on such tag there shall be stamped that the dog or cat has been vaccinated for rabies, the date of vaccination, the clinic number, and the name and serial identification number.

(c) Certificate. The veterinarian shall issue to the owner of each dog and cat a rabies vaccination certificate. The certificate shall include the following information:

(1) Owner's name, address and telephone number;

(2) Animal identification. Species, sex, age, size, predominant breed and colors;

(3) Vaccine used, producer, expiration date and serial number;

Red River Healthcare Center to sponsor Easter coloring contest

The Red River Healthcare Center will be sponsoring an Easter coloring contest for Bogata School grades Kindergarten through Second. 1st, 2nd and 3rd place prizes will be

awarded to winners selected from each grade level. Each child entering will receive a candy treat and winners will be announced in the Bogata News. The Easter pictures will be on display in the chapel at Red River

Healthcare Center. Easter pictures will be given out and colored at the Bogata School. Everyone is encouraged to stop by and see their child's picture and visit

with the residents and staff of Red River Healthcare Center.

Public Notices

CITY OF DEPORT ORDINANCE NO. 0001

An ordinance regulating the keeping of dogs and cats in the City of Deport; providing for definitions; requiring the vaccination of all dogs and cats kept in the City; providing for the impounding of certain dogs and cats found running at large; providing for the redemption of dogs and cats not so redeemed by the owner; providing for the impounding and the quarantining of animals; providing for animal care and restraint; providing for reports of human and animal exposure to rabies; providing for submission of specimens for laboratory; providing for an effective date of May 8, 2000; providing for a penalty of not more than \$1,000.00 for violations of this ordinance, and not more than \$100.00 for any person or persons who assist in the violation of any provisions of this ordinance; providing for repeal, and providing for a severance clause.

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Deport:

Article I. In General Section 1. Definitions: As used in this ordinance, the following terms mean: Animal: Any mammal, or marsupial, domestic or wild, other than man, which may be affected by rabies.

Animal Control Officer: That person or agent responsible for the care, seizure, custody, disposal and impoundment of dogs, cats, rabbits and poultry.

Animal Shelter: A licensed facility, public or private, used to confine and impound dogs, cats, rabbits and poultry seized, lost, abandoned or given over by owners.

Animal Wound: Animal bite or scratch that has inflicted a break or abrasion to the skin of a human.

Cat: Any member of the animal species felis cats.

Dog: Any member of the animal species canis familiaris.

Harboring: The act of keeping or caring for an animal including, but not limited to, the providing of food, shelter or medical attention for the animal.

Livestock: Includes any sheep, horses, mules, jacks, jennets, goats, swine or any other livestock.

Owner: Any person having right to property in an animal; who has an animal in his care or custody; or who knowingly permits an animal to remain on or about any premises occupied by him.

Poultry: All domesticated fowl and all game birds, which are kept in captivity.

Running at large: Dog, cat or fowl not under the control of the owner or agent.

Section 2. Livestock Not To Run At Large: It shall be the duty of the owner of any person to allow and permit any cows, horses, mules, jacks, jennets, goats, sheep, swine or any other livestock of any character to run at large upon the streets, alleys, public highways, public parks, public lands, or upon any vacant lot or lots within the City.

Section 3. Disposal of Dead Animal: The carcass of any animal dead of disease or any other cause shall be removed and/or disposed of by the owner if known, and if not known, the owner of the premises where such animal is found, at his own expense within twenty-four (24) hours after such death. Failure to comply with this section shall be deemed a nuisance.

Section 4. Keeping of Livestock Restricted: It shall be the duty of any person or persons within the City Limits to keep or pen any cattle, horses, mules, jacks, jennets, goats, sheep, or any other livestock in an enclosure less than two (2) acres in area and within one hundred (100) feet of any building or structure used for sleeping, dining, living and/or business, except such a building or structure belonging to the owner of such livestock; provided however that the keeping of horses and cattle in such an enclosure is restricted to not more than one (1) such animal per one-half acre of land contained within said enclosure, with the exception of temporary keeping of up to one (1) animal per one-fourth (1/4) acre up to ninety (90) days maximum.

Section 5. Regulations Relating To Keeping Of Rabbits and Poultry: The following regulations shall govern the keeping of rabbits, poultry and certain birds in the City:

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(b) Vaccination and tags. A licensed veterinarian shall do all vaccinations of dogs and cats for rabies. Upon vaccinations, the veterinarian shall give to the owner a suitable tag to be placed on a collar around the dog's or cat's neck, and on such tag there shall be stamped that the dog or cat has been vaccinated for rabies, the date of vaccination, the clinic number, and the name and serial identification number.

(c) Certificate. The veterinarian shall issue to the owner of each dog and cat a rabies vaccination certificate. The certificate shall include the following information:

(1) Owner's name, address and telephone number;

(2) Animal identification. Species, sex, age, size, predominant breed and colors;

(3) Vaccine used, producer, expiration date and serial number;

(4) Date vaccinated;

(5) Rabies tag number;

(6) Veterinarian's signature or signature stamp and license number.

(d) Any dog or cat found in the City without a current vaccination tag will be declared a nuisance and shall be impounded as provided herein.

Section 7. Unlawful To Allow Dogs Or Cats To Run At Large; Impoundment: It shall be declared a nuisance for the owner of any dog or cat to permit or allow such dog or cat to run at large upon any public street, highway, alley, court, square, park, sidewalk, other public ground or public property or any unenclosed land within the corporate limits of the City.

Section 8. Female Dogs/Cats in Estrus (heat) To Be Kept Under Control: It shall be declared a nuisance for the owner or person in control of any unspayed female dog or cat, while such dog or cats is in estrus (heat), to allow the same to be upon, in or about any public house, public place, street, or alley in the City.

Section 9. Dangerous Dogs: Subchapter D to Chapter 822 of the Health and Safety Code, Vernon's Annotated State Statutes, as hereinafter amended, styled Dangerous Dogs, including the requirements for registration, restraint, liability insurance, penalties, and all other requirements set out therein, shall apply to all dogs located within the City Limits of the City of Deport, Texas.

Section 10. Noises: It shall be declared a nuisance for any person to harbor or keep on his premises, or any premises under his control, any animal which shall cause the peace and quiet of the neighborhood or the occupants of the adjoining premises to be disturbed, at anytime or the day or night.

Section 11. Number of Dogs and Cats Limited: The harboring and maintaining of more than three (3) dogs and/or three (3) cats over six (6) months of age by one owner or family shall be declared a nuisance. This subsection shall not apply to veterinary clinics.

Section 12. Harboring: The harboring or maintaining of any dogs or cats in any enclosure unless said enclosure is kept clean and sanitary and free of offensive odors shall be declared a nuisance.

Section 13. Killing Animals: The members of the Deport City Hall or duly authorized agent are authorized to kill any animal of any kind when it is necessary for the protection of any person or property.

Section 14. Enforcement Officers: (a) Those persons designated by the City shall enforce the civil and criminal provisions of this chapter. It shall be a violation of this chapter to interfere with an officer in the performance of such officer's duties.

(b) Animal Control Officer: The Mayor and Councilmen shall appoint an animal officer and such other assistants as may be required. The animal control officer and assistants shall be under the supervision and control of the Mayor and Councilmen. It shall be the duty of the animal control officer and assistants to take up and impound all animals running at large, to keep and properly care for all animals impounded, to dispose of animals that have not been redeemed or sold as herein provided, to issue citations or warnings to violators, and to perform such other duties as may be directed by the Mayor and Councilmen under the terms of this chapter.

Section 15. Duties of Animal Control Officer: The Animal Control Officer or his agent's duties are:

(a) Enter upon private premises to investigate complaints or irresponsibility or inhumane animal care.

(b) Enter upon private premises to apprehend a stray dog or cat, a vicious dog or cat, or a wild creature suspected of being infected with rabies.

(c) Apprehend and impound any dog, cat, rabbit or poultry in violation of any provision of this chapter by the City.

(d) Report in writing once each month to the Mayor and Councilmen the total number of dogs and cats impounded, redeemed, adopted or disposed of.

(e) Watch for, investigate and enforce the provisions of this ordinance.

(f) Shall not be responsible for the apprehension or disposal of animals (except for dogs, and cats, rabbits or poultry), rodents, reptiles or insects.

Article 11. Animal Shelter Section 16. Animal Shelter Established Supervision: There shall be provided and/or designated a suitable place for the impounding of all dogs, cats, rabbits or poultry picked up under the provisions of this ordinance, and such animal shelter shall be supervised by the Animal Shelter Manager. When authorized by the City Council, the Mayor or his designee may contract with one or more veterinary clinics or one or more private individuals in Clarksville to keep the impounded dogs, cats, rabbits or poultry in lieu of the City. The City shall establish policies and procedure.

Section 17. Impoundment of Dogs and Cats In Violation Of Ordinance; Treatment and Care of Impounded Dogs and Cats: (a) It shall be the duty of the Animal Manager or his agents to impound all dogs, cats, rabbits or poultry, the owners of which, have or are violating the terms and provisions of this ordinance.

(b) All dogs, cats, rabbits or poultry picked up and impounded in accordance with and under the terms and provisions of this ordinance shall be dealt with in a humane manner and disposed of in accordance with the terms and provisions of the applicable section of this ordinance.

Section 18. Redemption by Owner: The owner of any impounded dog, cat, rabbit or poultry may redeem such dog, cat, rabbit or poultry at a reasonable time prior to sale or destruction by paying the fees required by the Animal Shelter, and by having on their person and producing a vaccination certificate showing the dog or cat to have been vaccinated within a twelve month period. In the event the dog or cat was not properly vaccinated prior to redemption, the owner shall pay to the operator of the animal shelter an amount equal to the cost of vaccination of said animal, and shall receive from the operator of the animal shelter a receipt certifying that the vaccination fee has been paid. However, any dog or cat suffering from rabies or suspected of having rabies or any dog or cat suspected of having bitten someone shall be kept under observation until such dog or cat has been inspected by a licensed veterinarian and such disease or condition diagnosed by such veterinarian, in accordance with Section 20.

Section 19. Disposition of Unclaimed Impounded Dogs or Cats; Record: (a) Any dog, cat, rabbit or poultry placed in the animal shelter in accordance with the provisions of this article shall be kept and so im-

pounded for a period of at least seventy-two (72) hours. At the expiration of said period, it shall be presumed that the owner of said dog or cat has no further title or ownership of the same, and that said dog or cat has become an abandoned animal which may be disposed of by the shelter, as herein provided. The dog or cat may be delivered to any person who will pay the adoption fee and any charges for vaccination shots, if the dog or cat does not have a current and valid vaccination, as provided in Section 21. If neither the owner nor some other person claims the dog or cat, the dog or cat shall be destroyed. Any dog or cat, which appears to be ill, suffering from rabies, mange or any other infectious disease, shall be destroyed.

(b) A record shall be kept of the disposition made of the impounded dogs or cats.

Section 20. Procedure When a Person Is Wounded by An Animal: (a) When a dog or cat, which has bitten a human, has been identified, the owner or custodian will be required to place the animal in quarantine. Unvaccinated animals should not be vaccinated against rabies during the observation period. The ten (10) day observation period will begin on the day of the bite incident. The animal must be placed in a TDH-approved facility specified by the local rabies control. However, the owner of the animal may request permission from the local rabies control for home quarantine if the following criteria can be met:

(1) Secure facilities must be available at the home of the animal's owner, and must be approved by the local health authority.

(2) The animal is currently vaccinated against rabies.

(3) The local rabies control or a licensed veterinarian must observe the animal at least on the first and last days of the quarantine period. If the animal becomes ill during the observation period, the local rabies control must be notified by the person having possession of the animal. At the end of the observation period, the release from quarantine must be accomplished in writing.

(4) The animal was not a stray at the time of the bite.

(b) A dog or cat which has bitten a human and has been designated by the local rabies control as unclaimed may be humanely killed in such a manner that the brain is not mutilated. The brain shall be submitted to a TDH-certified laboratory for rabies diagnosis.

(c) If the biting animal is a high-risk animal, it shall be humanely killed and the brain submitted for rabies testing.

(d) If the biting animal is a low risk animal, neither quarantine nor rabies test will be required unless the local rabies control has cause to believe the biting animal is rabid, in which case it should be humanely killed and tested for rabies.

(e) The local rabies control may require an animal, which has inflicted multiple bite, wounds, punctures or lacerations to the face, head or neck or a person to be humanely killed and the brain tested for rabies.

(f) If the biting animal is not included in (a), (b), (c), (d) or (e) of this section, the biting animal will be humanely killed and the brain tested for rabies or the local rabies control may require the animal to be confined for a thirty (30) day observation period as an alternate method to killing and testing, otherwise conforming to the requirements delineated in (a).

(g) Any animal required to be quarantined under this section which cannot be maintained in a secure quarantine shall be humanely killed and the brain tested for rabies.

Section 21. Disposition of Domestic Animals Exposed to Rabies: (a) Unvaccinated animals which have been bitten or directly exposed by physical contact with a rabid animal or its fresh tissues shall be:

(1) Humanely killed; or

(2) If sufficient justification for preserving the animal exists, the exposed animal shall be immediately vaccinated against rabies, placed in strict isolation for ninety (90) days and given booster vaccinations during the third and eight weeks of isolation. If the animal is under three months of age at the time of the second vaccination, an additional booster shall be given when the animal reaches three (3) months of age.

(b) Currently vaccinated animals which have been bitten or otherwise significantly exposed to a rabid animal shall be:

(1) Humanely killed; or

(2) If sufficient justification for preserving the animal exists, the exposed vaccinated animal shall be given a booster rabies vaccination immediately and placed in strict isolation for forty-five (45) days.

(c) These provisions apply only to domestic animals for which an approved rabies vaccine is available.

Section 22. Liability of Owners of Impounded Animals: The payment of pound fees shall not exempt the owner, or person in control of any animals impound from prosecution under the provisions of this ordinance.

Section 23. Authority of Individuals To Impound: If any dog, cat, rabbit or poultry shall be found running at large upon the premises of any person other than the owner's, the owner or occupant of such premises shall have the right to confine such a dog, cat, rabbit or poultry. Until he can notify the Animal Control Officer to come and impound the same. Provided, however, that the same shall be done within a reasonable time. When so notified, it shall be the duty of the Animal Control Officer to cause such dog, cat, rabbit or poultry to be impounded at once.

Section 24. Disclaimed Animals: If, for any reason, the owner or harbinger of a dog, cat, rabbit or poultry chooses to disclaim ownership of same or voluntarily delivers the dog, cat, rabbit or poultry to the animal shelter, this action shall be constituted as a formal acknowledgment of consignment of same to the animal shelter. The owner or harborers shall pay a consignment fee to the animal shelter.

Article 111. Cruelty to Animals Section 25. Certain Actions Unlawful (a) It shall be unlawful for any person to intentionally or knowingly:

(1) Torture or seriously overwork an animal;

(2) Fail unreasonably to provide necessary food, care or shelter for an animal in his custody;

(3) Abandon unreasonable an animal in his custody;

(4) Transport or confine an animal in a cruel manner;

(5) Kill, injure or administer poison to an animal belonging to another without legal authority or the owner's effective consent;

(6) Cause one animal to fight with another;

(7) Use a live animal as a lure in dog race training or in dog coursing on a racetrack.

(8) It is a defense to prosecution under this

section that the person was engaged in bona fide experimentation for scientific research.

(c) For the purposes of this section "Animal" does not include an uncaptured wild creature whose capture was accomplished by conduct at issue under the section.

(d) An offense under this section is a Class C misdemeanor.

(e) It is a defense to prosecution under Subsection (a) (5) of this section that the animal was discovered on the person's property in the act of or immediately after injuring or killing the person's goats, sheep, cattle, horses, swine or poultry and that the person killed or injured the animal at the time of this discovery.

Article IV. Penalty. Section 26: Any person who violates or fails to comply with any provision or provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not less than Ten Dollars (\$10.00), nor more than One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00); and any person who said aid, abet or assist in the violation of any provisions of this ordinance shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not less than One Dollar (\$1.00), nor more than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00).

Section 27. Conflicting Ordinances Repealed: That all ordinances, orders of resolutions, heretofore passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Deport, Texas, are hereby repealed to the extent that said ordinances, orders or resolutions, or parts thereof, are in conflict herewith.

Section 28. Severance Clause: The provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared to be severable, and if any section, subsections, clause, phrase or provision of the ordinance is for any reason held unconstitutional or void by a court of competent jurisdiction, such holding shall not affect any valid provision of this or any other ordinance of the City of Deport, Texas.

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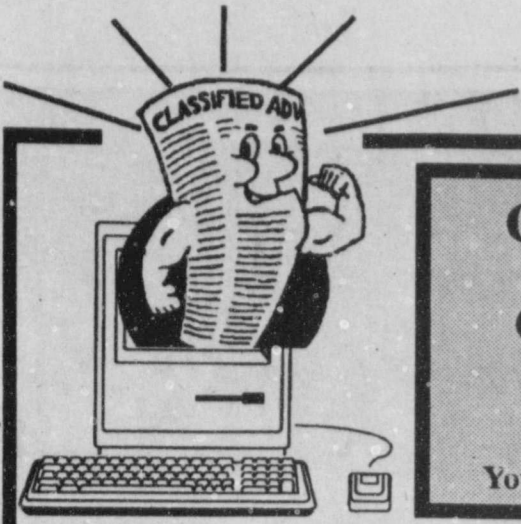
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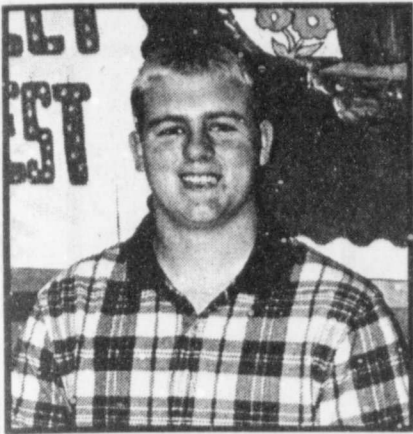
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PHILLIP ROLEN-has received a \$100 Savings Bond and a Texas container of pralines from the Clarksville Rotary Club. Phillip won the "School Safety" contest sponsored by the group and will advance to the district competition on May 6, 2000 in Mineola. Congratulations Phillip!!! (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Lone Star youth to present program

The Lone Star Methodist youth will present the Easter program, "Prove It" on Sunday night, April 16, 2000 at 6:30 p.m.

The program is a game show setting in which biblical characters attempt to prove to the Rabbi that Jesus is the long-awaited Savior who has come to earth.

The youth would like to invite everyone to attend.

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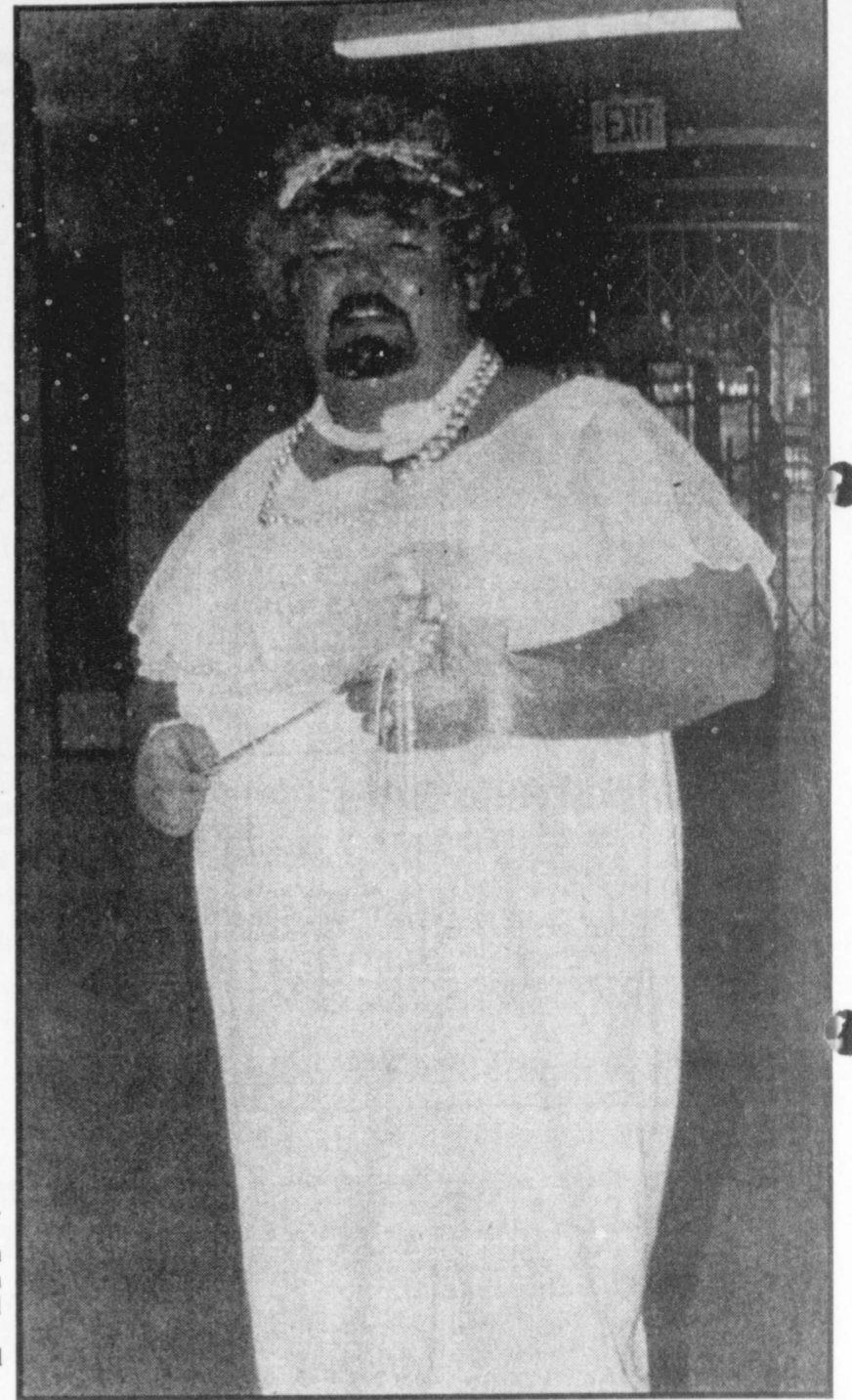
Visiting Saturday afternoon with Gene and Lydia Hawkins were B.W. and Helen Rogers and grandson, Kenny of Longview. They had attended her Bogata School class reunion earlier in the day.



EMILY HALE-entertained the crowd at the Talco/Bogata Talent Show held at Rivercrest Saturday night with her rendition of "Feel Like A Woman". (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



MANDY CRAWFORD-performed a gymnastics routine for the crowd at the Talco/Bogata Talent Show held Saturday night at Rivercrest. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



MISS JANUARY-better known as Ricky Nolen was on hand as the lead off 2000 Rivercrest Calendar Girl. The ladies made their on, and so some say, only appearance at the Talco/Bogata Talent Show held Saturday night. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Pet Parade is April 15

The second annual Humane Society Pet Parade is April 15 at 10:30 a.m. on the square in Clarksville, in conjunction with Springfest.

Bring your pets and dress them up for the parade. Prizes will be given for best dressed pet, best owner/pet ensemble, cutest pet and many more categories.

All pets must be on leashes or in carriers. The event is sponsored by the Red River County Humane Society.

Harris Chapel to hold Revival

The Harris Chapel Missionary Baptist Church in Sugarhill will hold a three day revival April 17-18 and 19th. Services will begin each night at 7:00 p.m.

On Monday Bro. Glenn Griffith of Nevils Chapel will bring the mes-

sage. On Tuesday Bro. Bob Griffith will bring the message and on Wednesday Bro. Mike Amerson will bring the message.

Everyone is invited to attend and share the blessings.

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