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Worth



By Nanalee Nichols
It's Confession Time,
after more than 30 years

It's been a long, long time since my first Prom, and my first formal. And I suppose now I'm mature enough to tell a story publicly that I never even told my mom back then.

The prom dresses in 1967 were a lot like some of the current styles, A-line, simple and sleeveless. The main difference is that they were all long. No one went to the Prom in a short dress.

My first formal was cream colored, with a band of green embroidered leaves around the waist and running around to the back, where it culminated in a small bow with long, elegant streamers.

I had my hair fixed up in one of those hideous "bee hive" creations that made me cringe even back then. For once, though, I joined the crowd.

I had on nearly white, iridescent lipstick (cutting edge, that) and was about as dressed up as I have ever been, before or since.

So, Prom night was going beautifully. I had danced, visited and drunk a few cups of punch.

As the evening proceeded, the punch caught up with me and I, along with several friends proceeded to the restrooms. (remember when you never went alone? Why was that?)

Well, when I turned around, the ribbons on my gown fell into the toilet. I wasn't used to long fluttering things at my back.

I immediately took off for the sinks, using the old pink liquid soap and scrubbing away. The only problem was, that was not a washable fabric, so my lovely streamers ended up shriveled and wizened and limp. I tried to remove them, but they were firmly stitched in place.

For some minutes I wouldn't even go back to the Prom. I simply stood there, lost in humiliation and the embarrassment only a teenager can feel.

Eventually I slunk back into the dance to stand with my back to the wall. I even refused one dance because I was sure that everyone in the room would be staring at me!

Finally I realized that this was really, really stupid, and began to have fun once more. But, that night, as I lay in bed recalling the evening in detail, as teens do, I would find myself flushed with embarrassment once more.

For some reason it was one of the most agonizingly embarrassing moments of my life.

The next year, when it was time for us to go shopping for another dress my mother couldn't figure out why the first thing I looked for was whether or not the dress had anything trailing behind!

Remembering that incident helps me to remember how different the worlds look from the eyes of a teenager. It seems pretty silly now. It wasn't back then.

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One killed in accident May 14

Elliott Allen Pogue, 25, of Talco was killed Sunday afternoon May 14, 2000 after the vehicle in which he was a passenger drove into White Oak Creek and overturned, according to reports from the Department of Public Safety. Pogue was pronounced dead at the scene.

According to reports, Pogue was the passenger of LaDarryl Ray Savage, 22 of Talco, in a 1972 Oldsmobile which was heading north on Hwy. 271 when he apparently tried to pass several northbound vehicles. Reports indicate that as Savage approached the bridge, he met an on-coming vehicle. Due to a number of vehicles in the northbound lane he was unable to get back and drove west off the road-

way, down an embankment and into White Oak Creek where the car overturned and sank, DPS reports stated.

Savage managed to free himself from the submerged vehicle and tried to get Pogue out of the car too. Passing motorists also stopped and attempted to free Pogue from the vehicle, which had its windows down at the time of the accident according to reports.

The Talco EMS and Mt. Pleasant Rescue responded to the call, and Pogue's body was retrieved. Pogue was the son of Vickie Sue Pogue of Talco and the grandson of Nola Savage and the late Elmer Ray Savage of Talco.

Editor's Quotes

It's good to have money and the things that money can buy, but it's good too, to check up once in a while and make sure you haven't lost the thing that money can't buy.

George Horace Lorimer

Memorial Day service to be held

The Region VIII Education Service Center is hosting a patriotic service for the observance of Memorial Day on Friday, May 26, 2000, beginning at 9:30 a.m. at the service center located on FM 1734 (2230 North Edwards Avenue) in Mt. Pleasant, Texas.

The service will include: a keynote address by Representative Tom Ramsay, music and entertainment by

area students and soloist Mrs. Vickie Sinclair, notations by area veterans and the presentation of the colors and a 21 gun salute by the Jefferson VFW Organization.

The public is cordially invited to attend with a special invitation to area veterans. There will be a small reception with refreshments following the service. For information call Patty Shipp at 903-572-5047.

May 27 set as Open House date for Bogata Library/Museum

Reports have been made that the Bogata Library/Museum building is shaping up nicely. Some walls were removed last week to make room for the museum. Part of the east and west wall in the entrance room and two north and south dividing walls were removed.

Finishing touches are now being made. Show cases will be delivered this week to display some of the

museum items. About 1,500 nice books have been processed for the library.

Everyone is anxious for Open House even though lots of work remains to be done. Residents are encouraged to make plans now to attend the Open House and see Bogata's newest addition on Saturday, May 27, 2000 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.



VOLUNTEERS-who have been busy removing walls and remodeling the Bogata Library/Museum in preparation of opening day are; A.D. Stephenson, Gaston Puckett, Neil Rozell, Carlton Stanley and W.T. Harbison. The men along with the help of many others have the building shaping up fast. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Franks/Brown/Rose elected to Rivercrest Board of Trustees

In the May 6, 2000 election incumbents Ricky Franks and Nicky Brown were re-elected to the Rivercrest Board of Trustees. Joe Rose who was unopposed filled the position left open by former board member, Molly Williams.

Election results were as follows:
Nicky Brown-100 early votes; 270 votes in the Bogata box; 91 votes in the Talco box for a total of 461 votes.

Johnny Jones-21 early votes; 82 votes in the Bogata box; 123 votes in

the Talco box for a total of 226 votes.

Joe Rose-94 early votes; 284 votes in the Bogata box; 111 votes in the Talco box for a total of 489 votes.

Leslie Wright-13 early votes; 93 votes in the Bogata box; 125 votes in the Talco box for a total of 231 votes.

Ricky Franks-115 early votes; 264 votes in the Bogata box; 87 votes in the Talco box for a total of 466 votes.

The canvassing of the votes was held on Thursday, May 11, 2000 at Rivercrest High School.

People 'n Things

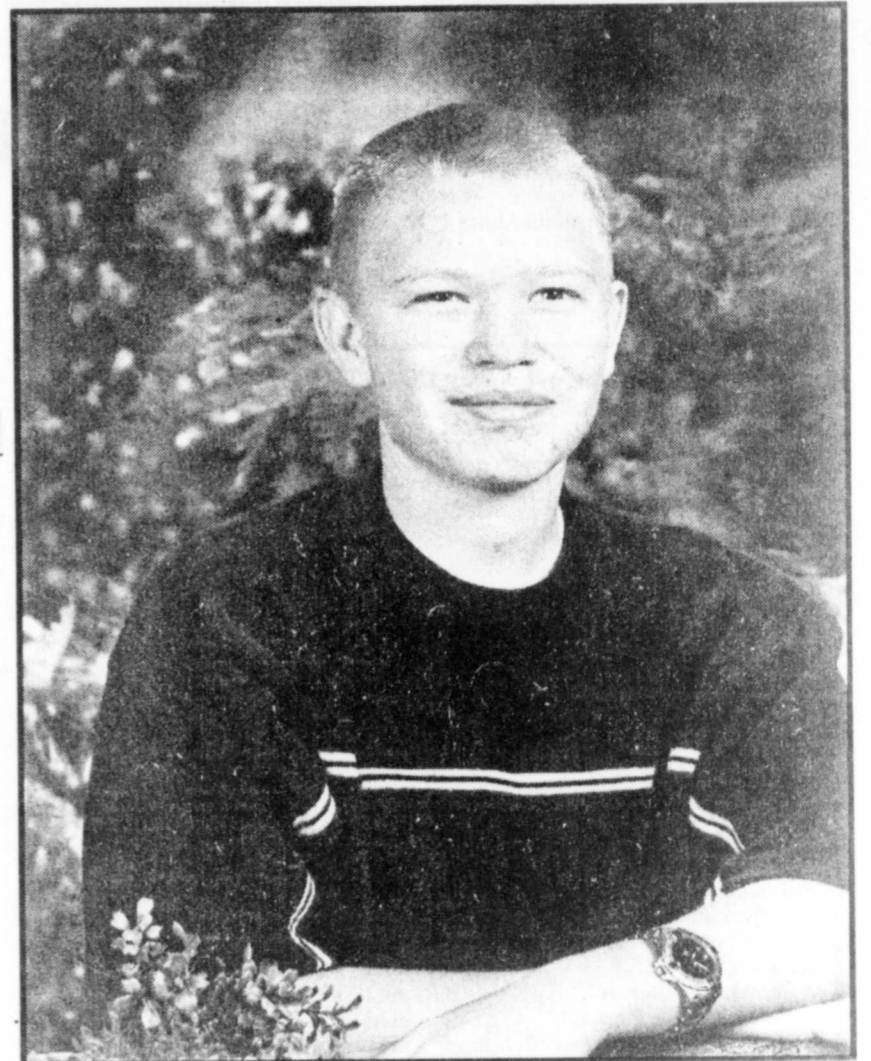
Third Tuesday of each month
Bogata Lions Club sponsors Bingo at Red River Healthcare Center. Lions Club members should volunteer to help when they can.

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.

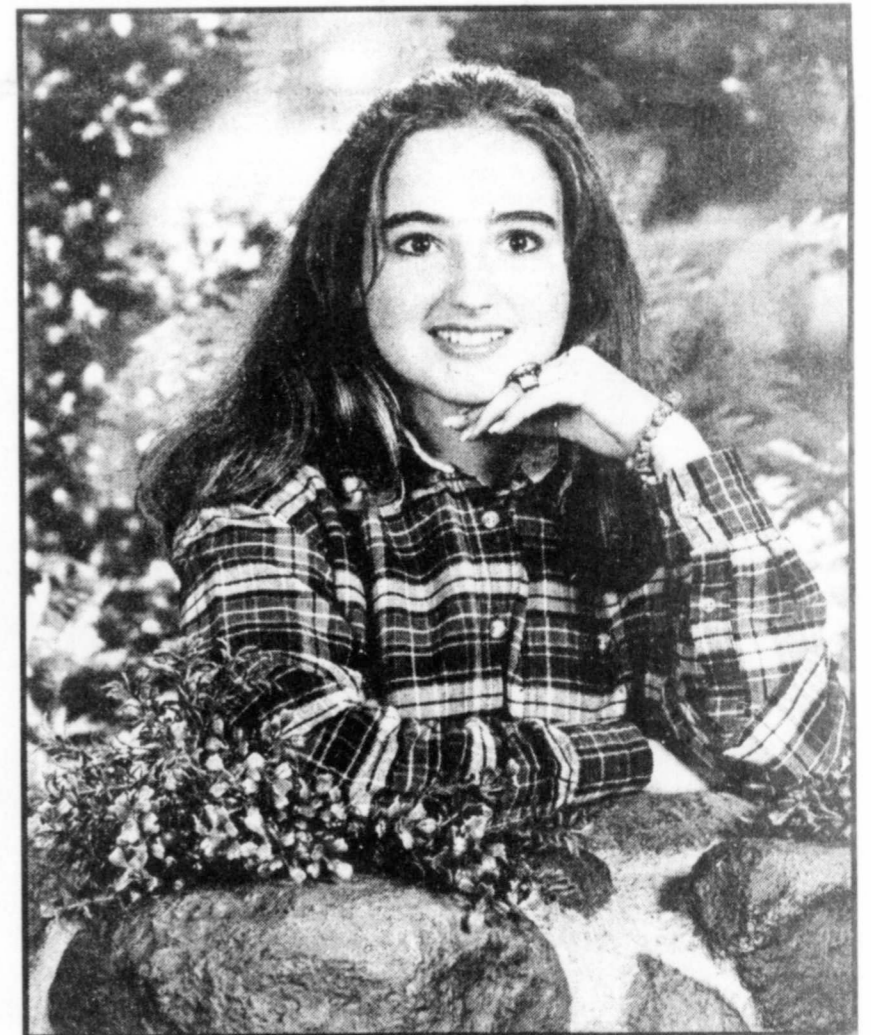
May 19
The Johntown Opry will be held on May 19 beginning at 6:30 p.m. in the old Dodd Store located on Hwy 271 in Johntown. No admission will be charged but donations will be accepted. All pickers and singers are invited to come out and perform gospel, blue grass and country music. Everyone is invited to come share the fun, fellowship and fine music performed by local talent.

May 20
There will be a work day and decoration held at the Binion Cemetery in Talco on Saturday, May 20 starting 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.



Bogata Junior High Valedictorian
Micah Chaloner



Bogata Junior High Salutatorian
Nikki Burgess

Top three students announced from Bogata Junior High

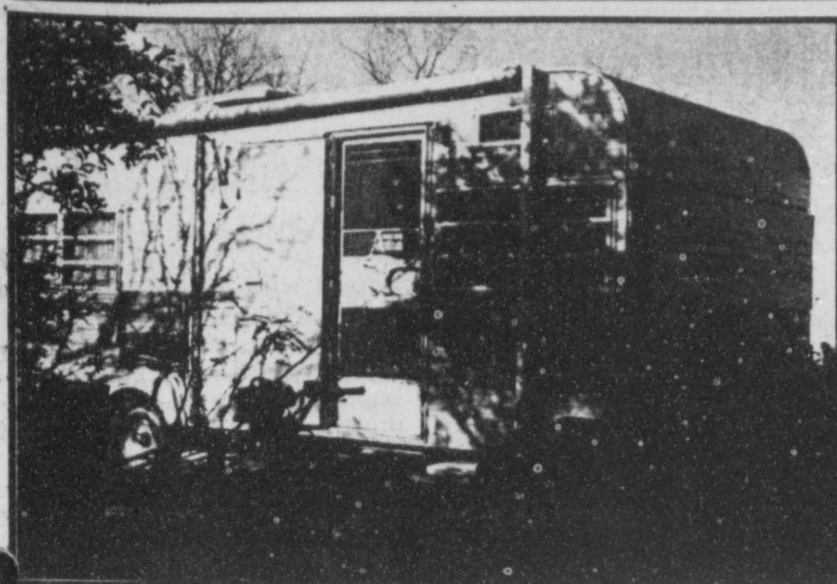
Bill Mabry, Principal of Bogata Schools, has announced the top three 8th grade students for the 1999-2000 school year. Micah Chaloner, with an average of 90 was named Valedictorian. Nikki Burgess, with an average of 89.56 was named Salutatorian and Brent Middleton was the third ranking student with a 88.9 average. Graduation exercises will be held on Thursday, May 25, 2000, at 8:00 p.m. in the Rivercrest auditorium.

Micah Chaloner is the son of Jim Bill and Denise Chaloner of Bogata. He is the grandson of Coma Funderburk and the late Bob Funderburk of Bogata and Eldon and Elma Chaloner of Bogata. Micah is a member of the football, basketball and track teams. He participated in UIL throughout his elementary and junior high years. He also participated in the Titus County Academic Rodeo, A.M. Akin, Little Dribblers and PIPS. Micah is in the Gifted and Talented program and is active in the Bogata Missionary Baptist Church. Nikki is the daughter of Michael

and Angie Burgess of Bogata. Her grandparents are Donald and Mary Warren of Bogata, the late Linda Burgess, the late Thomas Burgess and Ann Burgess of Blossom. Nikki has been active in Student Council, UIL and softball. She is also in the Gifted and Talented program and served as manager of the junior high Lady Rebels. Nikki was elected as Miss Bogata Junior High and Christmas Queen during the 1999-2000 school year.

Brent Middleton is the son of Steve and Dina Middleton of Bogata. He is a member of the Student Council and participated in UIL. He will deliver the invocation at the graduation ceremony.

Each year, the two highest ranking 7th grade students serve as ushers at junior high graduation. The ushers will be Kerri Simmons and Kacey Van Deaver. Kerri is the daughter of Bobby and Ann Simmons of Bogata. Kacey is the daughter of Gary and Pam Van Deaver of Bogata.



Stolen Travel trailer, 1974 Mobile Scout. Red River Co. Sheriff's Dept. Photo

Red River County Crime Stoppers 903-427-TIPS

Red River County Sheriff's Office is requesting your help on the following cases.

Approximately 3:24 a.m. on May 4 at the residence of Beth and Jason Petty, Rt. 6 Box 280A, Clarksville on CR 3105 an attempted theft of a yellow Honda 4-wheeler occurred. His dog's barking awakened the owner of the 4-wheeler. He went outside and discovered that a white male was pushing his 4-wheeler out to the road. The suspect left the 4-wheeler in a ditch near the residence and fled the scene.

Approximately 8:00 a.m. on the same date, Kenneth Yost discovered that his red Honda Rancher was missing. Mr. Yost advised that the last time he had seen his 4-wheeler was when he parked his truck after returning from church the evening of the 3rd. Mr. Yost was informed by his neighbors that a 4-wheeler had been heard driving down the road from his residence about midnight.

Buddy Parker who also resides on Rt. 6 Clarksville, discovered that his two 4-wheelers, which had been parked next to his residence, had been taken. The two 4-wheelers appeared to have been pushed out of the driveway and loaded onto a pickup or trailer. The two 4-wheelers were green in color, a 1995 Honda 300 and a 1997 Honda 400.

May 4, Jerry Cabler discovered that his red Kawasaki 300-C was missing from his brother's residence, which is located on CR 2123, Rt. 1

Box 380, Clarksville. The 4-wheeler was last seen at 7:00 a.m. and was discovered to be missing at 4:30 p.m. that date.

May 4, Simms Williams discovered that a travel trailer belonging to Aubrey and Lorena Talley was missing. He contacted the owners who came to Red River County Sheriff's Office to report the theft. The trailer was last seen on April 29. The trailer is a 1974 Mobile Scout, appears to be beige in color with a tan strip down the side. The trailer was parked on Private Road 6020.

May 5, John Robert Maynard discovered that his green Honda TRX 300 was missing at 4:30 p.m.. The last time he had observed his 4-wheeler sitting next to the carport was on the 4th at approximately 8:30 p.m..

May 5, Scott King discovered that his green 1998 Polaris Sportsman 500 was missing. Scott King resides at Rt. 1, Clarksville. He stated that at 11:30 a.m. was the last time the 4-wheeler was seen. The vehicle was missing when he returned home at 10:30 p.m.

Due to the recent out brake of 4-wheeler and trailer thefts, we strongly recommend recording the vehicle identification numbers, and photograph any motor vehicles or trailers you own. Place the photographs along with the vehicle identification numbers in a safe place until such time as you may need them.

Red River County Crime Stoppers 903-427-TIPS

The Bogata Police Department is requesting your help with the following cases: On the evening of April 20 or early morning hours of April 21, the Bogata Junior High School and the East Texas Medical Center were broken into.

Entry in the Junior High School and ETMC was achieved through a small window at each location. Damage to the school was in excess of \$450.00 as a result of the burglary.

Sometime between April 3 and 5, a Suzuki Quad Runner 160 was taken from a residence in Jothtown. The

Suzuki belonged to Jana Hawkins. The vehicle is blue in color.

Crime Stoppers needs your information to solve these or any felony crimes. You could earn up to \$1,000 should your information lead to the arrest and indictment of the parties responsible for these crimes. Remember, you do not have to be identified and you do not have to testify. Call 427-TIPS or 427-8477. Additional crime listings can be viewed at <http://www.crimestop.com/>, search Red River County, Texas.



OUTSTANDING JUNIOR-Anna Park, granddaughter of Mrs. William Rozell and member of the Blue Blazes drill team at Sulphur Springs High School, won the award of Outstanding Junior member of the organization. The award was presented to Miss Park at the annual year and spring show entitled "Blazes Rock", Saturday May 13 at the Sulphur Spring Civic Center. Anna and another member, Holly Stovall, were tied for this award which was presented to both girls. An outstanding member from each grade level is chosen by a vote of all team members. Anna also recently earned the office of Sr. Lieutenant of the Blue Blazes drill team for the 2000-2001 school year. Officers are selected by try-out which includes interviews, coreography and dance ability and leadership skills. Anna is the daughter of Mary Park and Keith Park.

Isbell reunion is upcoming

The Isbell family reunion will be held Saturday, May 27 at the Deport American Legion Hall beginning at 9 a.m.

A fee of \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children will include meal/door prizes, etc.

Bring your favorite dessert. Make check payable to Virginia Isbell Schell, 6239 Overlook Dr., Dallas, TX 75227, 214-381-4168.

RRVCA

meeting scheduled

RRVCA will host Dr. Burt Smith at the May 25 meeting. Topic will be low-cost beef cattle management practices and the raising and marketing of grass-fed beef.

RRVCA is an educational marketing, fellowship organization that is dedicated to improving the image, productivity, profitability and marketing attributes of the beef cattle industry in northeast Texas and southeast Oklahoma.



*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.

*A meal and program in honor of all veterans will be held Monday, May 29, 2000. Everyone is invited to attend.

Work day and decoration to be held

There will be a work day and decoration held at the Binion Cemetery on May 20, 2000 beginning at 9:00 a.m. The cemetery is cared for by the Maple Springs Church.

Anyone wishing to join in the clean up, decoration and share a hamburger lunch is welcome to attend. For more information contact Tonya Hawkins at 379-4503.

Bell's to host senior celebration

The Rivercrest Seniors-2000 will be honored with a hamburger supper with all the trimmings on Tuesday, May 23, 2000 from 6:00 to 10:00 p.m. at the home of Regan and RueAnna Bell in Fulbright.

Those attending are urged to bring their swim suits, towels and lawn chairs for swimming plus games of volleyball and more.

Wootie Harville host 84 Club May 11

On Thursday, May 11 the 84 Club met at the home of Wootie Harville for an afternoon of fun and fellowship. Two tables were set up for the games and refreshments were served.

Attending were; Maurine Mankins, Bess Ruthardt, Jettie Bond, Maggie Lee, Ethel Epps, Willie Clark, Helen Williams, Bonnie Sue Smith, Willie Mae Gray, Bertha McCall and Mrs. Lee King. Everyone enjoyed the afternoon.

Bake Sale set for Saturday, May 20

The Talco Assembly of God Church Missionettes will sponsor a bake sale on Saturday, May 20, 2000 in front of the Talco Post Office beginning at 8:00 a.m. All proceeds will go toward the group's mission projects.

"Ladies Night Out" held

It was another exciting and successful evening at the United Methodist Church's Ladies Night Out. A total of 17 women attended. The dinner was taco salad, seven layer dip, salsa and chips. Strawberry shortcake and cheesecake were served as dessert. Kristi Purviance, Marla Ballard and Michelle Dickson provided the food.

Attending were Crystal Davidson, Denise Wood, Kathie Thompson, Michelle Dickson, Marla Ballard, Tina Gentry, Shaunda Lewis, Cathy Hays, Deborah Kelley, Sonya Hammonds, D'Ann Montoya, Leah Bull, Michelle Smith, Kristi Purviance, Donna Jo Jesse, Stephanie Purviance and Debbie Williams.

Winners were high scorer Crystal Davidson; low score, Leah Bull and most bunks, Kristi Purviance.

The next meeting will be held Wednesday, June 21.

Grady Rhodes honored on 75th birthday

The family of James Grady Rhodes honored him with a 75th birthday party Saturday, May 13, 2000 at Jothtown. His actual birth date is May 15. They also celebrated the 3rd birthday of Cody Dean Webb, Grady's great grandson.

Those attending were Grady's children, Tommy and Ruth Anderson, Jerry and Linda Rhodes and Carol and Charley Riggs, Cody's mother, Crystal Webb, his grandfather,

Patrick White, Dena Brittany and Ryan Littrell, Braion and Brooke Thomposn, Brad and Keith Reeves, Stormy and Erika Reeves, Lucille Childers, Dixie Stringfellow, Jan and Mac McCuller, Vicki Tabb, Don and Wanda Caldwell and Michael, Marla, Colby and Keith Howard.

It was an enjoyable afternoon for all attending and Grady and Cody received a nice array of gifts.

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Volunteers needed at Terrell State Hospital

Volunteers are needed to be part of a team to enhance the lobby areas and dorm rooms at Terrell State Hospital. No special skills required. From painting murals to hanging wallpaper boarder, there will be something for everyone to do regardless of artistic abilities. Please call 972-551-8446 and volunteer to brighten the lives of the residents at Terrell State Hospital.

Health Fair reported successful

Red River Haven and Lennox Health Resource Center hosted a community Health Fair at Red River Haven on Tuesday, May 16, 2000.

They offered free screening to over 50 people. Screening and educational materials were provided by Home-town Homehealth, Health South Rehab Hospital of Texarkana, Prevent Blindness of Texas, Big Brothers, Big Sisters of Northeast Texas, Cancer Prevention, Pro Care Systems. In

addition to the health fair Stewart Blood Center was on hand to accept blood donations and give free cholesterol screenings.

According to Janice Martin and Laurie Pryor, event organizers, the event was a success and brought much needed health education to the community. Door prizes were donated by local businesses and were awarded to 10 lucky participants.

RRC Genealogical Society meet May 8

Mr. Larry Banks showed slides and talked to the Red River County Genealogical Society at the May 8, 2000 meeting. His informative and interesting talk was about the Caddo Indians and their life style.

Mr. Banks is retired from the U.S. Corp of Engineers as Senior Archeologist. He has been research associate with the Department of Anthropology at the Smithsonian Institute. He has also served as Adjunct Professor at the University of Texas at

Arlington, Southern Methodist University at Dallas and at Wichita State University at Wichita, Kansas. He is currently in private research.

A large crowd was in attendance for this excellent program. The membership is reminded to bring their dues to the June 12 meeting held at the Red River County Library. Guest and visitors are welcome to attend the meetings held the second Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

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NEW OFFICERS for the Bogata Book Club were installed by Eleanor McCleuer (right) last Thursday night. From left they are: Mary Ann Williams, Treasurer; Billie Garrison, Recording Secretary; Nanalee Nichols, Vice President and Dawne Darden, President. Not pictured is Janie Dixon, Corresponding Secretary. (Staff Photo)

Weighdown session set for June 1

There will be another 12 week session of the Weigh Down Workshop seminars in Bogata. The orientation meeting for these sessions will be Thursday, June 1, in the Bogata United Methodist Fellowship Hall. If you have questions you may call Anaya Phillips at 632-5596 or the United Methodist Church office at 632-5610. There is no charge for attending this orientation meeting. There is a fee for the 12 week course.

Homecoming will be July 1

Cunningham Homecoming will be Saturday, July 1 at the Community Center. A barbecue meal will be served at 6 p.m. at the cost of \$6.00. You may make reservations by sending money to Jane O'Neal, Rt. 1, Box 63-A5, Deport, TX 75435 or calling 652-6062 or call Pat Norwood at 652-2672. Please call everyone in your family or friends that might be interested in attending.

"Let's Talk About Sex" to be aired

"Let's Talk About Sex", a project of the SAVE Student Advisory Board, is scheduled to air live on Cox Cable on Monday, May 15 at 6:30 p.m. The 30-minute TV program has a call-in/panel format, including a host, doctor and members of the Project SAVE Student Advisory Board. The "Question Hotline" number is 784-7500.

Hosting the show will be Jonathan Perry, a student at Texas A&M-Commerce. David Carpenter, MD will provide the medical expertise. Nikki Easter and Aaron Barnes, seniors from North Lamar High School will offer student advice to call-in questions as well as those from a studio audience.

The board meets weekly instead of monthly, and is planning to meet throughout the summer months to learn camera, editing and production techniques and film some short dramatizations for airing in the ten-school district area served by Project SAVE. Students interested in serving on the board may call 737-0484 for more information.

Bogata 8th grade enjoys class trip

The 8th grade class of Bogata Junior High traveled to Dallas on Thursday, May 11, 2000. The students visited Medieval Times.

While there they were entertained with various demonstrations of horsemanship, jousting, riding tricks and other medieval types of battle. A lunch

of chicken, potatoes, bread and pastries was eaten in the medieval fashion.

After the visit to Medieval Times, the students then traveled to Plano where they enjoyed games of Whirlyball and Lasertag.

Bogata Book Club meeting held May 11

The Bogata Book Club met May 11, 2000 at the Rosalie Community Center for the final meeting of the club year. Following a covered dish dinner Mrs. Joan Gannaway from Winnsboro, Texas presented the Federation program.

Eleanor McCleuer used the wheel as the theme for the installation service. The following officers were installed for a two year term: Dawn

Darden-President; Nanalee Nichols-Vice President; Mary Ann Williams-Treasurer; Billie Garrison-Recording Secretary and Janie Dickson-Corresponding Secretary.

Sixteen members and two guests were in attendance. The yearbook planning session will be held June 8, 2000. The time and location will be announced at a later date.

Surgical center to hold open house

The Red River Valley Surgical Center will hold open house Saturday, May 20 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. The public is invited to tour the facility and have free vision and hearing screenings. There will be refresh-

ments of soft drinks and hot dogs and gifts for all visitors.

Special activities include a bike rodeo on the parking lot, face painting and free KidCare Polaroid ID photos will be taken.

Scout Camp to begin season

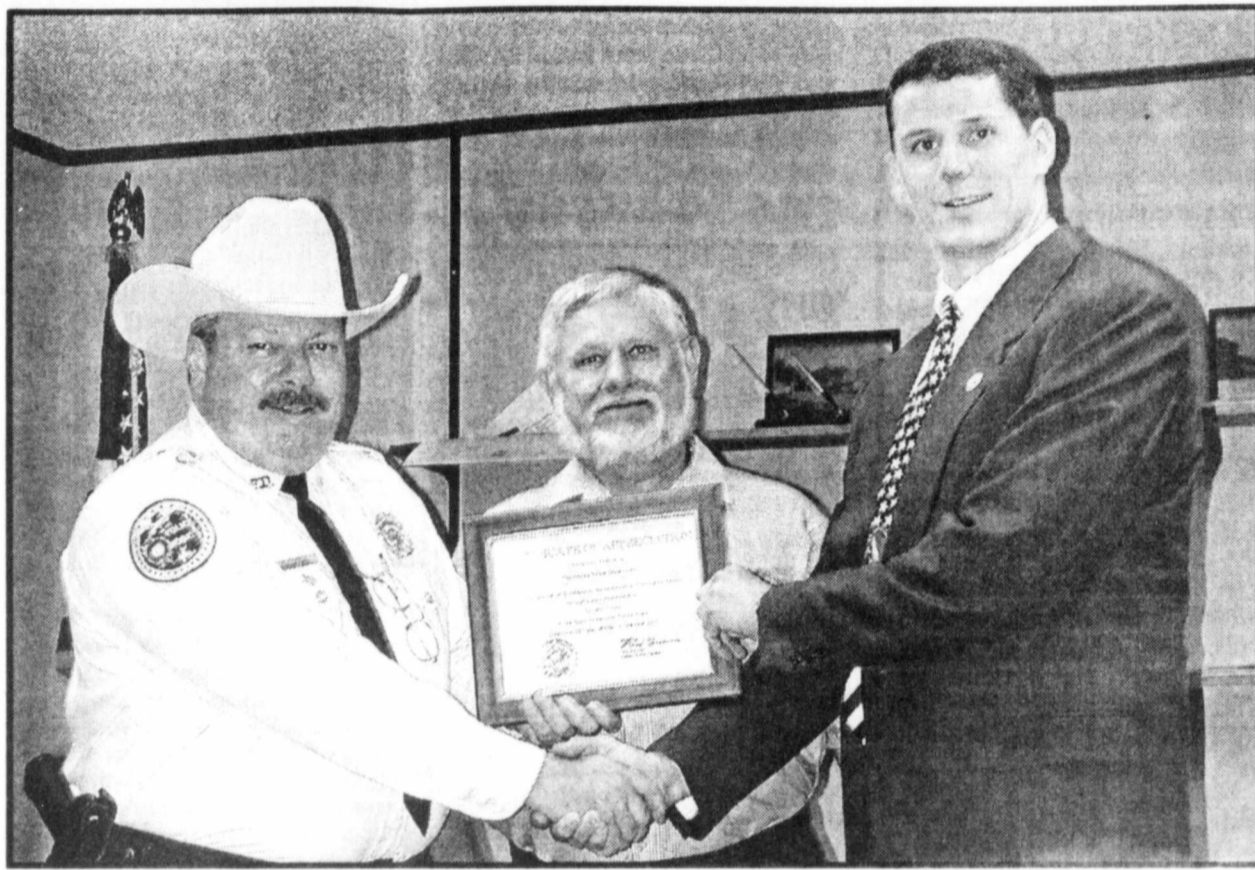
The Red River Valley Girl Scout Council will begin the summer program schedule with an open house at Camp Gambill from 2 until 4 p.m. on Sunday, May 21.

The public is invited to attend and tour the camp and meet program staff.

Outdoor Adventure Camp will be held June 6-8. Other programs in-

clude sports camp, sugar and spice camp and splash splash camp.

Red River Valley Girl Scout Council serves 1,500 girls and 500 adults in Camp, Delta, Fannin, Franklin, Hopkins, Lamar, Morris, Red River and Titus counties and Bryan, Choctaw, McCurtain and Pushmataha counties in Oklahoma.



NATIONAL POLICE WEEK-Matt Schaefer, regional director for U.S. Senator Phil Gramm spoke to Bogata Mayor, Jack Crane and guest before presenting Police Chief, Charles Clegg with a certificate of appreciation from Senator Gramm recognizing the Bogata Police Department for its efforts in keeping the community safe and enforcing the law. Pictured are; Mayor Crane, Chief Clegg and Matt Schaefer. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Gramm honors local police department

A representative of U.S. Senator Phil Gramm made a special presentation to the Bogata Police Department in honor of National Police Week on Tuesday, May 16, 2000.

Matt Schaefer, regional director for U.S. Senator Phil Gramm, spoke about the significance of National Police Week. Mr. Schaefer presented Bogata Chief of Police, Charles Clegg and Mayor, Jack Crane with a

certificate of appreciation from Gramm recognizing the department for its efforts in keeping the community safe and enforcing law. The ceremony was held at the Bogata City Hall at 1:00 p.m.

National Police Week is May 14-20. Attending the presentation were; Frances Rozell, Donna Rozell, Nancy Brown, Julie Davidson, Chief Clegg and Mayor Crane.

Fourth grades observe 100 point day

Mrs. Strawn's and Mrs. Purviance's Bogata Elementary fourth grade classes observed their annual Accelerated Reading 100 Point Club Day on Wednesday afternoon, May 10, 2000. Those student earning 100 plus AR points for the 1999-2000 school year earned treats from the Armadillo Kwik Korner and an afternoon of free play at Thomas Park.

Mrs. Strawn accompanied these students: Wade Allen, Taylor Anderson, C.J. Asagba, Kristin Clark, Ja-

son Cunningham, Nikki Ebarb, Franny Galyean, Lyzzette Gayton, D.J. Gentry, Christin Holland, Courtney Lemme, Destinie Hurst, Sarah Jean, Tiffany Lehman, Aaron Lum, Lauren Maulding, Carmen Martin, Ethan Meredith, Kaylee McIntire, Aaron Rolen, Matthew Shew, Chris Shirley, Jessica Thompson, Katelyn VanDeaver and Miriam Williams. Also reaching the 100 point goal but unable to attend due to illness was Dokota Davidson.

RHS class of 1985 to hold 15 year reunion

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*** Time ripens all things. No man's born wise. ***

—Cervantes

PUBLIC NOTICE

Texas-New Mexico Power Company (TNMP) hereby publishes notice that on or about March 31, 2000, it filed an application for approval of proposed tariffs that are to be effective on January 1, 2002, for its proposed transmission and distribution utility pursuant to Chapter 39, Subchapter E of the Texas Utilities Code with the Public Utility Commission of Texas (P.U.C.).

The primary purpose of this proceeding is to establish tariffs that will set the nonbypassable rates retail electric providers will be charged for delivery of electricity from the retail electric provider to the customer. The rates currently paid by the majority of customers will not change as a result of this proceeding prior to January 1, 2002. This proceeding may also establish other nonbypassable fees.

In addition to its application for approval of the above-referenced tariffs, TNMP has requested recovery of estimated stranded costs (\$194.4 million), recovery of expenses incurred in implementing energy efficiency programs in 2000 and 2001, and recovery of expenses incurred in connection with regulatory proceedings involving business separation and transmission and distribution utility tariffs. TNMP has also requested consolidation of the remaining portions of its proposed business separation plan (Docket No. 21955) and such other recovery and approvals as TNMP may show itself to be entitled during the course of this proceeding. As indicated in TNMP's Application, TNMP's requests are subject to possible modification to reflect impacts of various other ongoing regulatory proceedings and supplementation for corrections and to include specific details on performance-based rates.

Affected persons potentially include all customers and classes of customers of TNMP.

On September 1, 1999, amendments to the Texas Utilities Code went into effect which are designed to open the electric industry to competition. To facilitate this transition to competition, the Texas Utilities Code requires that traditional integrated electric utility companies separate their business activities into various component parts. After January 1, 2002, TNMP's current customers will generally receive electricity and bills for electricity from a retail electric provider instead of TNMP.

Persons with questions or who want more information on this matter may contact TNMP through Larry P. Gunderson, Director of Regulatory Affairs, Texas-New Mexico Power Company, Overton Centre, 4100 International Plaza, Fort Worth, Texas 76109 Phone (817) 731-0099 during normal business hours. A complete copy of the non-confidential portions of TNMP's filing may be viewed at Overton Centre, 4100 International Plaza, Fort Worth, Texas 76109.

Persons who wish to participate formally in this proceeding, or wish to express their comments concerning this proceeding, should contact the Public Utility Commission of Texas. The deadline to intervene in this proceeding is July 10, 2000. A request to intervene or a request 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 Customer Protection at (512) 936-7120 or toll-free at (888) 782-8477. Hearing and speech impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may contact the Commission at (512) 936-7136 or use Relay Texas (toll-free) (800) 735-2989.



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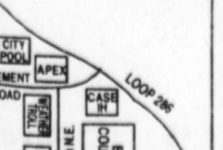
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Bogata Methodist Women meet

The Bogata Methodist Women met Wednesday, May 10, 2000 in the Fellowship Hall for their regular scheduled meeting. Fifteen members and guest were present.

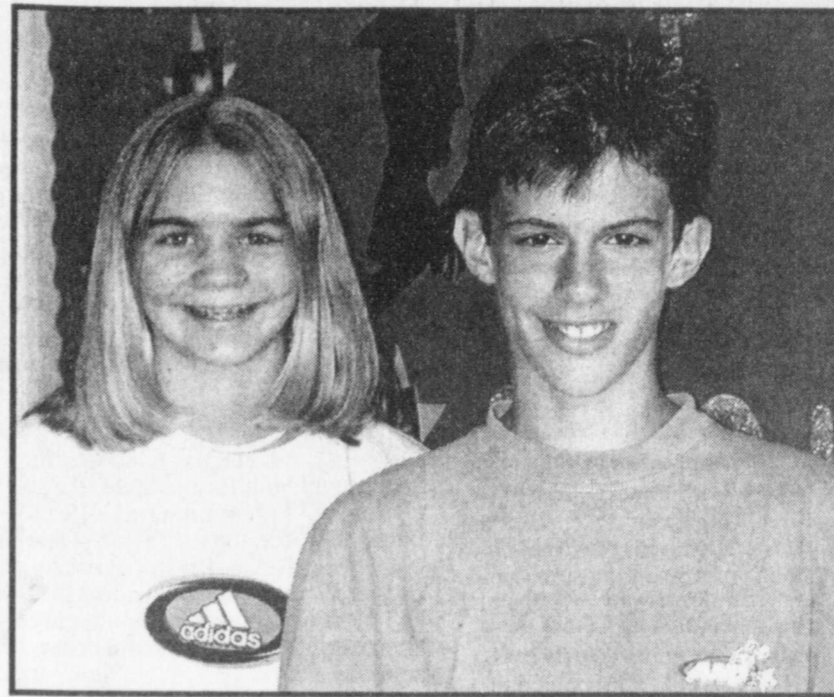
Naoma Goodman gave the opening prayer and introduced the guest speaker, Juanita Sparks, whose message was titled "Who Are We? Why Are We Here? and Where Are We Going?" The scripture reading was taken from Isaiah 40:9-11, 41:1 and Mark 12:28-31. She stated that the answer to these questions comes from following God's way and having a

personal relationship with God, which is essential in understanding one's purpose in life. She said, "We are the women of the church, called by God to be a service to others, reaching out to all people and sharing God's love. We are assured by our faith which sustains us." She closed by reading the words of the hymn, "God O Grace and God O Glory".

Judy Marshall presided at the business session. The meeting closed with dismissal prayer. The next meeting will be held in September.



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Mother's Day visitors of Dixie Stringfellow were Jimmy Stringfellow, Joe and Misty Stringfellow, Tyler and Darren Higgins. She received Happy Mother's Day calls from Wayne, Linsey and Jamie Stringfellow and Vicki Tabb and cards and gifts came from other family members.

Crystal Davidson is reported doing well after being bitten by a water moccasin recently.

Donald and Judy Screws had lunch with Jerry, Chris Anna, Christopher and Jerred Guerra at Imperial China in Paris on Mother's Day. Mike, Kara and Hali Screws of Deport visited with Donald and Judy in the afternoon.

Harold, Judy, Heath and Heather

Holt were in Lutkin on Friday and Saturday last week attending the Texas Logging Council Convention. They represented Chapter 5 out of Clarksville.

Mother's Day visitors in the home of Jerry and Gerlyn Gray and Margaret Davis were Jennifer and Riley Reeder, Danny, Jessica and Marli Hines, Harold, Judy, Heather and Heath Holt and Jessie and Willie Mae Gray.

Guests of Helen Williams for Mother's Day were Haletha and Granville Jones of Commerce, Patty Barton of Bagwell and George Hobbs of Huntsville who spent the weekend. They enjoyed lunch at the Lonesome Dove Restaurant in Deport.

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Lady Dragons to have Basketball Camp

A Lady Dragon Basketball Camp for girls will be held at the Paris Junior College Hunt Center from June 12 through June 16.

Camp director and Lady Dragon basketball coach Jeff Jenkins said the camp is for girls ages 10 through 17, or fifth through eleventh grades.

Instruction in all phases of basketball will be taught by Jenkins, assistant coach Mandy Cluey and some Lady Dragon players.

Camp fee is \$60 for the 5-day session, which will run from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily. Campers can register by writing Lady Dragon Basketball, Paris Junior College, 2400 Clarksville St., Paris, TX 75460. Registration will also be available on opening day.

Do You Need Help? After a very successful trip last summer the United Methodist Army plans another visit to Red River County June 18-24. Those who are unable to and would like work done on their homes should complete the form below and mail it to:

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Rivercrest golfers make strong showing at Regionals

The Rivercrest High School golf team recently traveled to Stephenville to compete in the Region II golf tournament. Sissy Meredith, Jill Foster, Allison Foster, Kaylan Bell and Nicole Hervey competed in the girls' tournament and Colby Guest represented Rivercrest in the boys' tournament. Both tournaments were two-day thirty-six hole events with over 80 athletes competing in each. Both tournaments were held at Legends Country Club in Stephenville.

The Lady Rebel team turned in a team score of 415 on the first day and was in 5th place. The girls came back the second day and lowered their score by 11 strokes to 404, for a two day total of 819. Jill Foster shot 98 and 98 for a total of 196, which placed her 17th individual overall. Sissy Meredith shot 98 and 102 for a total

of 200, which placed her 23rd overall. Allison Foster, Kaylan Bell and Nicole Hervey showed great determination in the second round by shaving a total of 32 strokes off their first round score. Allison shot 108 and 98 for a total of 206 which placed her 31st overall; Kaylan shot 111 and 106 for a total of 217 which placed her 42nd overall and Nicole shot 126 and 109 for a total of 235 which placed her 56th overall. Calisburg and Van Alstyne placed first and second with scores of 757 and 759 respectively, to represent Region II in the state tournament.

In the boys' tournament, Colby Guest played hard and shot a 118 both days on a very tough course. The regional tournament caps off a very successful season for the Rivercrest golf teams.



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Carol Laing and Bill Newman traveled to Bridge City, Tx. Saturday to attend Carol's son and daughter-in-law, Josh and Connie Abshier's baby shower. Carol reports the couple received many nice and useful gifts. As a Mother's Day gift Carol received a photo frame holding an x-ray negative of her soon to be born, first grandchild. They returned home on Sunday afternoon.

Cordell Alexander and daughter, Nelda Parrish recently returned from a week long vacation in Kimberly City and Branson, MO. They report a wonderful time.

Bryan and Susan Jones will celebrate their wedding anniversary on May 31, 2000.

Caley Francis visited over the weekend with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Hall. On Sunday Bryan Jones and Crystal Rivers, Cha-

sity and Clay Francis joined the Hall's and Caley and they met Jabo and Merry Robertson at Vaughans Catfish Restaurant for a Mother's Day supper.

Wayne and Jelu Binion will celebrate their wedding anniversary May 21, 2000.

Happy May birthday to: Gene Smith and Bryan Hodge.

Overnight guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Brown Friday were Whitney Savage, Cassandra Norman, Monica and Monique Savage. Also visiting during the evening was Susie Ontiveros and Marcus Savage.

Sympathy is extended to the families of Evelyn Cupler and Elliott Pogue.

Clay and Chasity Francis celebrated their wedding anniversary May 3, 2000.



RIVERCREST PRINCIPAL-Keith Brown displays a certificate of commendation as a Distinguished School presented by the Texas Education Agency at the Association for Compensatory Educators of Texas' spring workshop held in Austin. Rivercrest received the honor for creating an environment that accelerates the learning to a level where the following standards have been achieved; Exemplary or Recognized in 1998-99 and for the previous 2 school years. May 8-12 was National Teachers Week and the award was appreciated by the Rivercrest ISD staff. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Rules clarified by

Red River Valley Dixie Boys Association.

The Red River Valley Dixie Boys Baseball Association has clarified some rules in the local league play. There had been some question in the 9 & 10 year old age group as to weather runs scored after the 7 run limit were to be counted. The board ruled they do not. All scoring stops and positions change when a team scores 7 runs.

Also discussed and clarified was when a team with only 10 players loses players due to uncontrollable circumstances such as accident, moving, surgery etc., that team may pick

up players in their age group to keep the team from folding. But, the players who replace those lost will not be eligible for All Star play and can only be added if it means the team would fold.

This rule was clarified due to the Talco team who had only 10 players and lost one to injuries received in a car accident and the other to unexpected surgery.

The Red River Valley Boys Board is made up of President, Victor Wells and a representative from Talco, Bogata and Detroit.

Biggest tomato in Texas sought

Texas Gardener magazine is on its 2nd annual hunt for the State's largest tomato. Fair warning to all gardeners because the race is on. Take care to fertilize and protect your tomatoes from all those dreadful pest and perhaps you will have bragging rights to the largest Texas tomato this summer.

The rules are easy. All entries must be unaltered and grown in Texas. Gardeners may submit more than one specimen, but only the biggest can compete. The deadline for entry in the Great Texas Tomato Contest is August 1, 2000.

Gardeners throughout Texas are eligible to enter the contest (sorry, no Yankees need apply). Prizes include a White Outdoor Tiller, Mantis Composter, Little Wonder Tiller and Honda Spring Trimmer. Honorable

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To enter, simply select the largest tomato from your garden, complete the entry form (available at the address below or on the official contest website-www.texasgardener.com and mail or bring both to the Texas Gardener judging office (10566 N. River Crossing Road, Waco, Texas 76712).

Winners will be announced in the November/December 2000 issue of Texas Gardener magazine. Sorry, entries can not be returned. For contest entry form write: Texas Gardener Magazine, P.O. Box 9005, Waco, Texas 76714 or visit www.texasgardener.com or call for more information: 254-84809393.

Courage is resistance to fear, mastery of fear—not absence of fear.
—Mark Twain



WONDER WHAT THE THOUGHT WAS?-Bianca Savage studies the tee closely before making her swing as the Talco T-Ball teams played on Saturday morning at Talco. Both teams did a wonderful job. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

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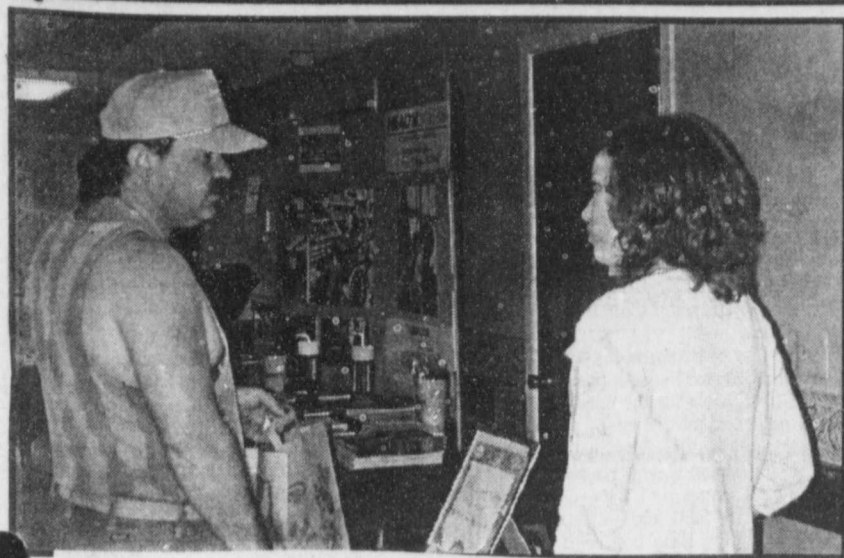
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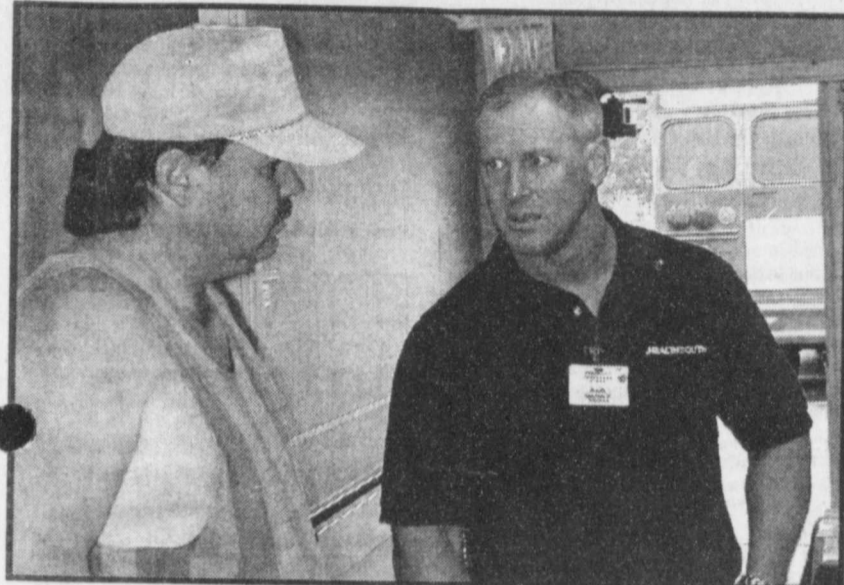
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AMANDA LARUE-of the Big Brothers and Big Sisters of North East Texas was on hand at the Health Fair held at Red River Haven in Bogata on Tuesday. Ms. LaRue is pictured discussing the program with Charlie Riggs. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



RANDY PENNY-of Health South Rehab. Hospital of Texarkana visits with Charles Riggs at the Health Fair held on Tuesday at Red River Haven. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



CARRIE BETHEA-of the Cancer Prevention program was on hand at the Health Fair held at Red River Haven in Bogata on Tuesday to dispense information on prevention and treatment of cancer. She is pictured discussing the various flyers with Helen Williams of Bogata. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



BILLIE HANCOCK AND PATRICIA WRIGHT-are pictured getting a visual check-up from Prevent Blindness Texas, East Texas Regional Branch at the Health Fair held on Tuesday, May 16 at Red River Haven in Bogata. Running the eye checks were Julie White and Lydia Johnston of the association. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



SUE THOMAS-of Red River Haven spent her time at the Health Fair held at the facility on Tuesday, May 16 taking blood pressures. She is pictured checking Buddy Damron. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



RESIDENTS-of Red River Haven enjoyed a balloon lift-off to start National Nursing Home Week. Special activities and programs have been planned for each day. Everyone is invited to come by and join in the fun with the residents and staff at the facility located at the junction of Hwy. 271 and Hwy 37 in Bogata.



JANICE MARTIN-registered guest at the Bogata Health Fair held at Red River Haven on Tuesday. She is pictured getting information from Nadine Ward. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



JANICE MARTIN OF RED RIVER HAVEN AND LAURIE PRYOR OF LENNOX HEALTH RESOURCE CENTER-display some of the door prizes given away at the Health Fair held at Red River Haven in Bogata on Tuesday, May 16, 2000. The fair was well attended. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

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Cunningham News
 By Jane O'Neal

Cunningham Homecoming will be held on Saturday, July 1, 2000 at the Cunningham Community Center. A barbecue meal will be served at 6:00 pm. The meal ticket will be \$6.00. You may make reservations by sending your money to Jane O'Neal at Rt 1, Box 63-A5, Deport, Tx 75435 of calling 903-652-6062 or call Pat Norwood at 903-652-2672.

Joe Howard Bell, a former resident of Cunningham, died in Houston this week. Sympathy is extended to his family.

DeAnna Merrill, daughter of former Life Tabernacle pastor was married Saturday night in Carrollton. Those attending the wedding from here were Geneva Norwood, Frankie, Julie, Logan, Layton and Caleb Norwood, Scottie, Treda, Amber and Scottie Norwood, Brad Barrentine, Tonya and Harry Crawford. Amber was maid of honor and Caleb was ring bearer. Frankie pronounced a blessing on the couple.

Geneva Norwood had Sunday lunch for Billy Ray, Neva and Brandon Oats, Frankie, Julie, Logan, Layton and Caleb Norwood, Scottie, Treda, Amber and Spur Norwood and Ray Martin.

Georjeana and Brad Nutt visited Andrea and Craig Slakey in Cooper on Sunday.

L'wanda and Pete McKnight visited Murray Jackson in St. Joseph Hospital and Suzie Norwood in McCuiston then attended the Art Fair Saturday.

Norwood kept Lacy and Kelby this week end and attended the fair in Paris.

Jay, Todd, Lacy and Kelby Cole

had Sunday lunch with Pat and James Norwood.

Darold and Ida Mae Norwood visited Shelia Norwood in Denton this past week.

Visiting Darold and Ida Mae Norwood Sunday were Dell, Zack and John Walker, John's friend visited also. John is living in Dallas now.

Murray Jackson is recuperating following bypass surgery this past week. He is reported doing well.

Lynn and Betty Holman of Durant, Stoney and Charity Musgrove spent the weekend with Johnny and Nelta Musgrove. Betty had a booth at the Art Fair in Paris. Zarinska Morton and Marie Watson joined them for lunch.

Stacy and Linda Musgrove went to Chicago this weekend with Alice McPherson from McAlester. Stacy and Linda ministered in music at a church there while Alice was the minister.

Leonard and Billie Ford and Lillian King visited Thomas and Patricia King of Brookston on Saturday and enjoyed a fish fry.

Sunday Billie and Leonard Ford visited Tracy Kendall and children. Having Sunday lunch with Shelby and Bobby Kennedy were Heath, Missy, Laytner and Layker Kennedy and Jeff, Zack, Taylor and Asa Kennedy. Visiting with them in the afternoon were, Taylor Ladd, Steve and Carolyn Ladd, Melba Baker and Christi and Anna Baker.

Jane O'Neal had Sunday lunch for Karla, Aaron and Kara Palmer, and Lisa, Dwayne, O'Neal and Weston Drinnon.

 God is really only another artist
 He invented the giraffe, the elephant, and the cat. He has no real style. He just keeps on trying other things.
 —Pablo Picasso

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SIMPLE MESSAGES....
 A good tornado safety rule of thumb is simple, go low, get low. That means go to the lowest level of the structure you are in, crouch in a low position, cover and protect your head.
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The office is now open and accepting new patients. Dr. Young began seeing patients Monday, May 15. Dr. Young comes to Paris from Midland, Texas. He received his medical degree from the University of Texas Health Science Center, San Antonio, and completed his Residency and Internship training at Chicago Medical School, Chicago, Illinois

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FOOT NOTES

ACHILLES TENDINITIS
The Achilles tendon connects the two major calf muscles to the back of the heel bone. Achilles tendinitis occurs when this tendon becomes inflamed, usually due to excess stress. Over time, the inflammation can produce a layer of scar tissue that is less flexible than the tendon. If an inflamed Achilles continues to be stressed, it can tear or rupture. People with Achilles tendinitis feel a dull or sharp pain along the tendon, usually close to the heel. They have limited ankle flexibility and redness or heat in the area. Sometimes an accumulation of scar tissue, in the form of a nodule, can be felt. A cracking sound, the scar tissue rubbing the tendon, often occurs when the ankle moves.

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P.S. Rest is an important component in the treatment of Achilles tendinitis.



MEMBERS OF THE 1999-2000-Rivercrest High School varsity baseball team were; (back row from the left) Coach Gary Schultz, Jeremy Grissom, Marcus Deming, Kyle Stansell, Michael Galloway, Keith Hines, Zach Ward and Coach Jeremy Abshier; (middle from the left) Dwayne Young, Adam Davis, Nathan Carroll, Josh Cabell, Ryan Hawkins, Clinton Cheatwood, Chance Wolfe, Joey Hanna, Zach Perry and (front from the left) Bryce Watkins, Bubba Abernathy and Brandon Bell. (Photo by RueAnna Bell)



RIVERCREST REBEL-Beginner band members earned a second place trophy; Excellent rating at competition at Sandy Lake in Dallas recently. Members are; (back row from the left) Monique Savage, Courtney Blankenship, Monica Savage, Dustin Perry, Keith Perry, Sarah Hare, Tiffany Giles, Tony Nicks and Josh Cox; (middle from the left) Josh McGee, Whitney Savage, Erica Martinex, Miranda Mauldin, Wendy Stewart and Keith Williams and (front from the left) Erica Moreno, Callie Stafford, Latrel Smith, Heather Presley, Katie Ward and Bailie Spencer.

Expanded Classifieds....

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Sealed bids for the unit price general construction contract for the construction of approximately 5,400 LF of 8" and 6" gravity sewer, manholes, service transfers and associated appurtenances will be received by the Honorable Mayor and City Council at the office of City Hall until 4:30 p.m., June 5, 2000, at which time bids will be publicly opened and read aloud.

The Plans, Specifications and other Contract Documents may be examined at the following places:

City Hall, 1240 West Front Street,
Blossom, TX 75416
Hayter Engineering, Inc.,
4445 SE Loop 286, Paris, Texas 75460,
Telephone 903-785-0303
CMD/Texas Contractor, 11101 Stemmons
Freeway, Dallas, Texas 75229

Copies of the Contract Documents may be obtained from Hayter Engineering, Inc., at the above address upon the payment of \$70 (payable to Hayter Engineering, Inc.) for each set. The ENGINEER shall refund \$25 per complete set of Contract Documents that are returned in good condition to the ENGINEER within 30 days after the date bids are received.

The OWNER reserves the right to waive any informalities or to reject any r all bids.

Each BIDDER must deposit with his bid, security in the amount, from and subject to the conditions provided for information for Bidders.

Attention is called to the fact that not less than the federally determined prevailing (Davis-Bacon) wage rate, as issued by the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs and as set forth in the Contract Documents, must be paid on this project, and that the CONTRACTOR must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are

not discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex or national origin. This project is funded in part by a grant from the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs.

All bids submitted shall be good for 90 calendar days and no BIDDER may withdraw his bid within 90 calendar days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

City of Blossom
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GRANT ADMINISTRATIVE AND ENGINEERING SERVICES PUBLIC NOTICE

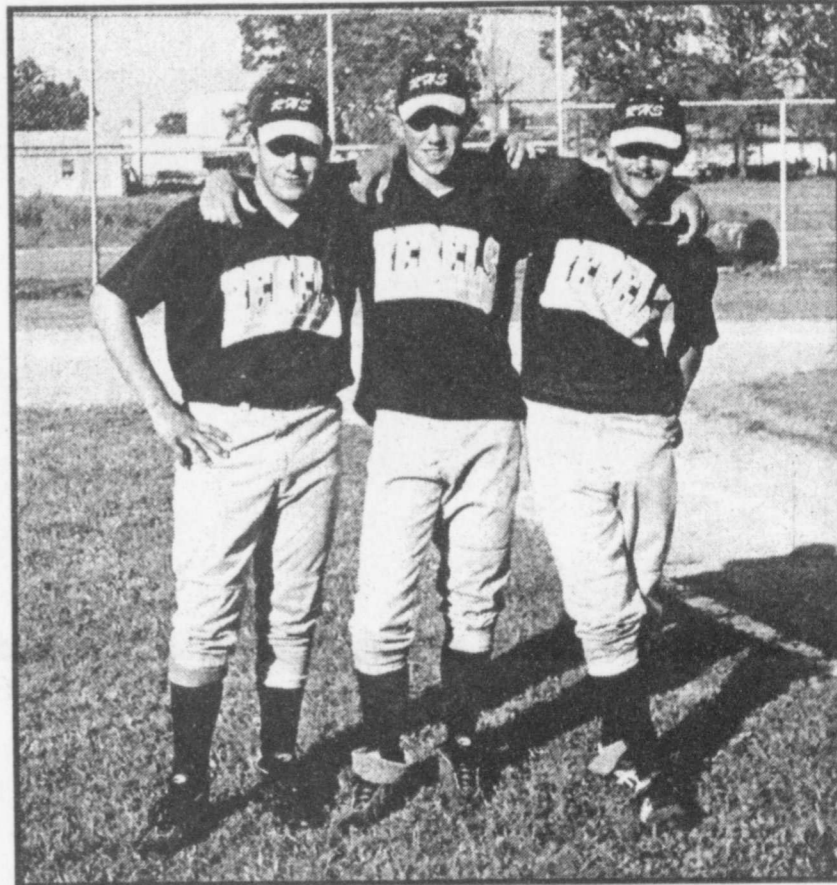
The City of Detroit, in anticipation of receiving a Contract award from the Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs (TDHCA), is soliciting proposals from qualified individuals or firms for administration and engineering services required by the City for implementation of the Texas Community Development Program. In order to be considered, proposals must be submitted prior to 3:00 p.m. on the 6th day of June, 2000.

The City reserves the right to negotiate with any and all management and/or engineering consultants or firms that submit proposals, per the Texas Professional Services Procurement Act and the Uniform Grant and Contract Management Standards. The City reserves the right to reject any or all proposals.

A complete Request for Proposal outlining services required by the City, submission requirements and evaluation criteria has been prepared. Interested parties may obtain copies of this Request for Proposal by contacting the person below.

Mayor Margaret Missildine
City of Detroit
190 E. Garner
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REBEL SENIOR-members of the Rivercrest baseball team this year are; (from the left) Brandon bell, Bubba Abernathy and Bryce Watkins. The team ended the season with a defeat over Prairiland.



JOSH COX-received an Outstanding award at the Rivercrest Band Banquet held last week. Josh is an 8th grade student at Talco and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J.R. Cox of Talco.

McCuistion awards employees

Sixty-six employees of McCuistion Regional Medical Center were honored last week with over 700 years of collective service to the hospital's patients.

Recognized for 35 years of service was Olla Mooney. Honored for 25

years were Jane Davenport, Lula Garvin, Peggy Kerley, Betty Malone, Jerry Mayes, Judy Parks.

Twenty year employees were Gail Chiles, Matilda Darnell, Charlene Dirks, Melvive Frazier, Fay O'Neal and Brinda Poteet, Mary Scroggins and Marilyn Smith.

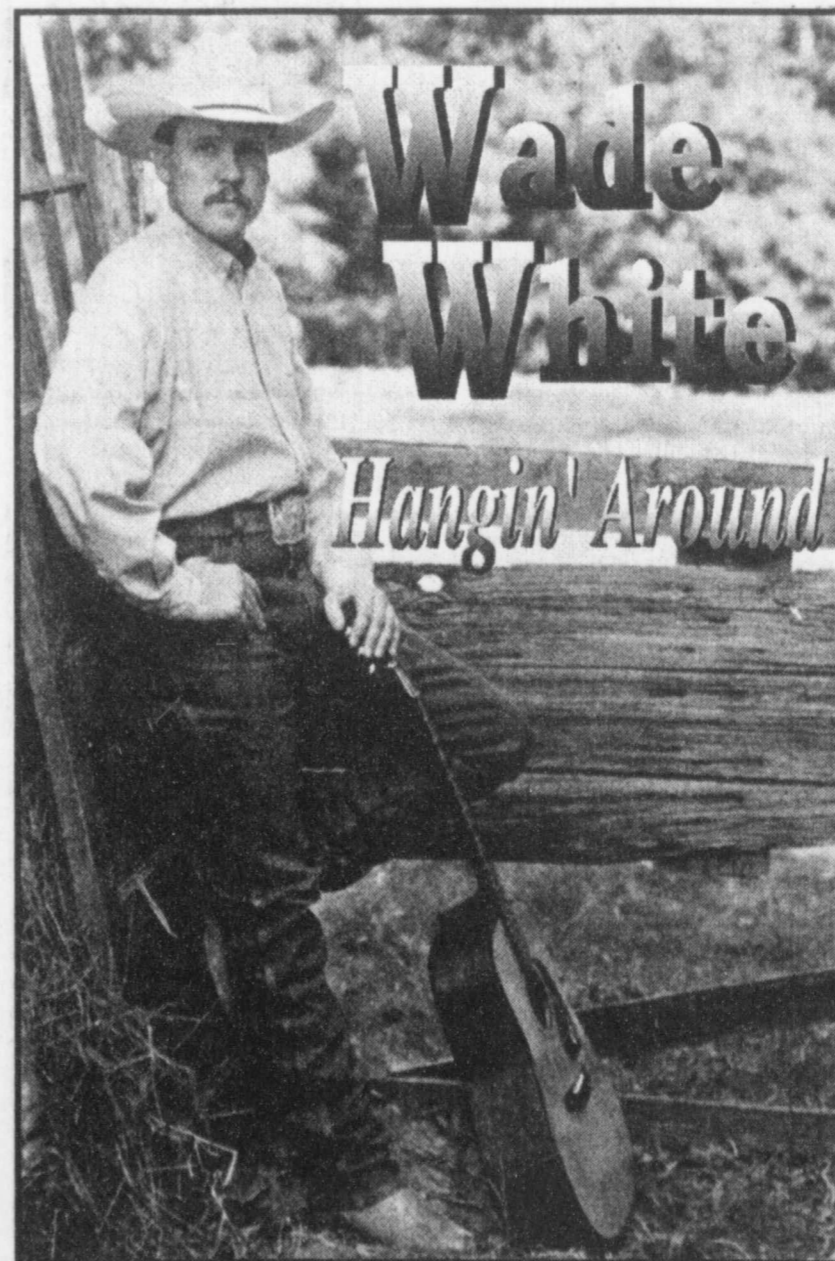
Honored for 15 years were Sheri Ashford, Darla Barnett, Marilyn Crawford, Shirley Lancaster and Connie Murchison.

Recognized for ten years of service were Ollie Alexander, Tommy Bowman, Pam Cooper, Doris Elmore, Noreen Foster, Beverly Roddy, Tena McCoo, Donna Sikes, Michael Murphy and Vickey Whitted.

Five year pins were awarded to Beth Adams, Ann Foster, Jerry Allen, Kelly Anderson, Julann Boatman, Deana Boyd, Linda Bryant, Nancy Corcimiglia, Pete Dalrymple, Unika Ellis, Kristi Fussell, Katherine Hargis, Aaron Howington, Gwendolyn Robinson, Ronald Willison and Carolyn Jackson.

Other five year employees honored were Amy Knowles, Pam Maroney, Lyndell McFadden, Kimberly Miller, Graham Pitcock, Peyton Spangler, Becky Norment, Nancy Oates, Ramona Perry, Mearlene Washington, Miralda Pollard, Ercell Roden, Teresa Sansing, Rebecca Teubner, Nighat Uddin, Lorrie Webster and Doris Williams.

The banquet culminated a week of special activities honoring McCuistion employees for their commitment to the hospital's mission of improving the health of the communities they serve.



UPCOMING PERFORMANCE-Wade White and his Plain Label Band will be performing at a dance in Deport Friday night, June 2nd. The event is part of homecoming for Deport and will be held at the Deport Fire Station. There will be no alcoholic beverages permitted. Soft drinks and concessions will be for sale.

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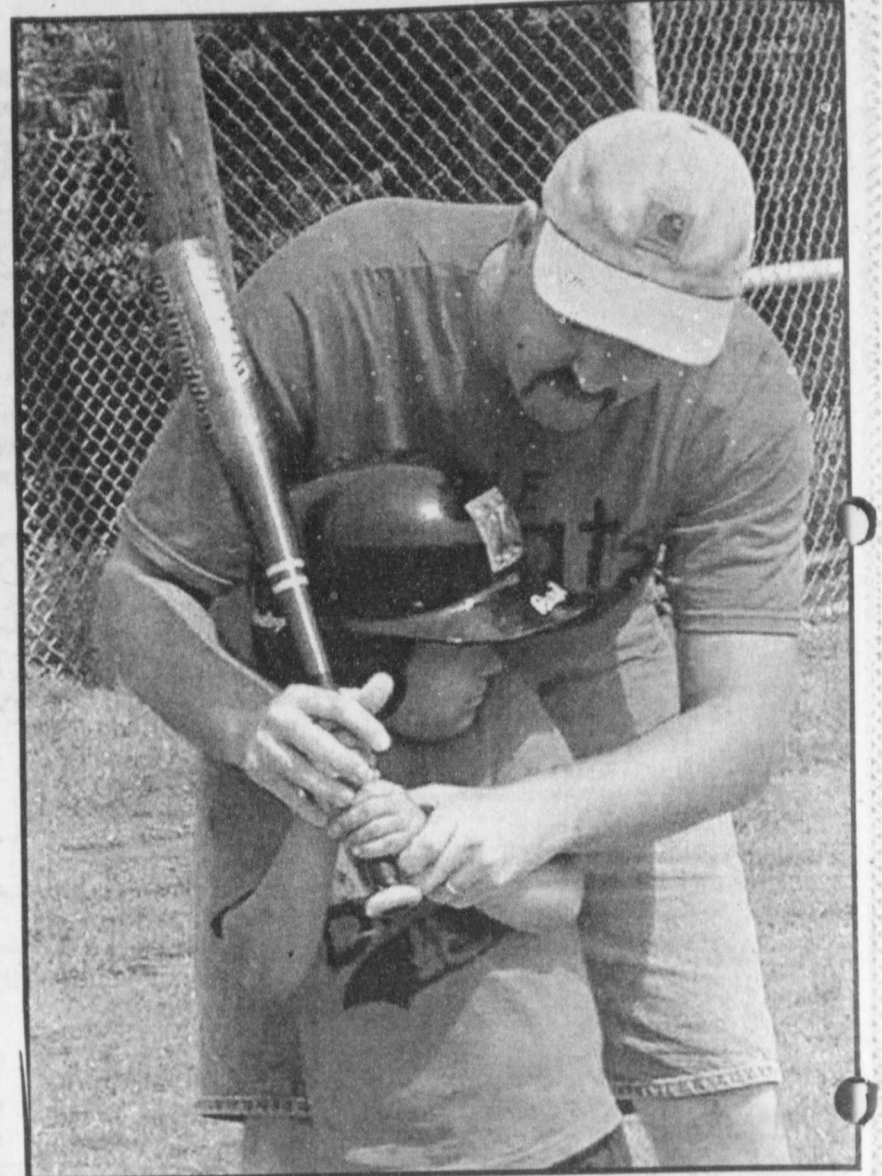
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McCUISION REGIONAL Medical Center's Environmental Services staff Janet Bills, left and Donna Robinson collect recycled paper, aluminum cans and plastics from Susan Bellene, RN at McCuiston's Wound Care Center. Bellene and other departmental staff contribute to the success of the hospital's recycling program.



JUST A LITTLE STICK-Teresa Alford of Hometown Health Care checked glucose and oxygen levels in those brave enough to take that little stick on Tuesday at the Health Fair held at Red River Haven. Her patient, Barbara Ward received a good result from her test. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



A LITTLE HELP FROM THE COACH-was needed as the Talco T-Ball teams hit the field on Saturday morning. Pictured is Coach Clint Franks and one of his team members who had just a little trouble on where to stand. Both teams played a great game and the crowd always loves to watch the baby ball players best. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

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T-BONE STEAK \$3 ⁹⁹ Lb. FRESH GROUND CHUCK \$1 ⁷⁹ Lb.	OWEN'S HOT LINKS 1 Lb. \$2 ⁶⁹ WISCONSIN CHEESE AMERICAN & JALAPENO \$1 ⁹⁹ Lb.	OWEN'S SAUSAGE 2 Lb. Roll Reg. & Hot \$3 ⁸⁹ OWEN'S SMOKED SAUSAGE \$1 ⁹⁹ Lb.	IMPERIAL SUGAR 4 Lb. Bag \$1 ²⁹ FOLGER'S COFFEE 39 Oz. \$5 ⁹⁹			
EGGS Grade A Large 59¢ Doz.	CAMPBELL'S CREAM OF MUSHROOM SOUP 10 Oz. 79¢	COUNTRY STORE CHICKEN LEG QUARTERS 5 Lb. Bag 29¢ Lb.	NABISCO PREMIUM CRACKERS 1 Lb. Box \$1 ⁴⁹	PARADE TEXAS STYLE BISCUITS Reg. & Butter 12 Oz. 2/\$1	DEL MONTE CORN Whole Kernel & Cream Style 15 Oz. CUT GREEN BEANS 14.5 Oz. SWEET PEAS 15 Oz. FRENCH STYLE BEANS 14.5 Oz. 2/\$1	
PARADE WHITE TISSUE PAPER 4 Roll 69¢	FAMILY STYLE BREAD Large Loaf 79¢	GOLDEN ROYAL MILK Gal. 2% & Homo \$2 ⁷⁹	RITZ CRACKERS All Kinds Reg. & Whole Wheat 1 Lb. \$2 ⁴⁹	PETER PAN PEANUT BUTTER Creamy Or Crunchy 18 Oz. \$1 ⁵⁹	BETTY CROCKER BROWNIE MIX pp \$1 ¹⁹ 19 Oz. 99¢	DEL MONTE TOMATO SAUCE 8 Oz. 4/\$1
FRITO LAY SNACK CRACKERS 8 Pk. 99¢	LAY'S POTATO CHIPS Reg. \$1 ⁴⁹ All Kinds 99¢	OAK FARMS ICE CREAM 1/2 Gal. All Flavors \$2 ⁹⁹	PARADE BUTTERMILK BISCUITS 4/\$1	BLUE BELL ICE CREAM 1/2 Gal. ALL FLAVORS \$3 ⁴⁹	BETTY CROCKER FUDGE BROWNIES 19 Oz. 99¢	DEL MONTE TOMATO SAUCE 8 Oz. 4/\$1
TOSTITOS CHIPS Reg. \$3 ²⁹ All Kinds \$2 ⁴⁹	CHEERIOS PP. \$1 ⁷⁹ 10 Oz. \$1 ⁵⁹	FRITO LAY BEAN DIP 9 Oz. \$1 ⁷⁹	WISK LAUNDRY DETERGENT 42 Load \$4 ⁹⁹	VAN CAMP PORK & BEANS 16 Oz. 3/\$1		
PRODUCE GREEN ONIONS 3/\$1 TOMATOES 89¢ BANANAS 39¢ Lb. APPLES 59¢ Lb. POTATOES 10 Lb. Bag \$1 ⁵⁹ ORANGES 49¢ Lb.	DUTCH MAID VANILLA WAFERS 1 Lb. 2/\$1	BABY RUTH, BUTTERFINGER & NESTLE'S CANDY BARS 3/\$1	COKE, DIET COKE, SPRITE DR. PEPPER, DIET DR. PEPPER 2 Liter 99¢ 3 Liter \$1 ⁶⁹ 12 Pk. \$3 ⁴⁹ 6 Pk. 16 Oz. Btls. \$2 ⁴⁹			