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Waxed what?

Has anyone seen any waxed paper lately? I don't know what sparked the memory, perhaps it was re-reading *The Grapes of Wrath* and it's mention of store bought bread in a waxed paper wrapper.

But I began thinking about waxed paper and how scarce it is now.

Exactly what year did bread begin to come in plastic sacks? I remember being still at home. My grandmother Jeffus would fuss and fuss because her arthritic fingers had trouble with the little, flat plastic clips. The twist ties made her much, much happier. Of course, the plastic bags gave her something else to save, along with plastic margarine tubs, rubber bands, string bows and ribbons from gifts and flower arrangements!

Before the bags bread came in waxed paper wrappers that made it impossible to keep bread moist, once that package wax open the bread was going to dry out...hence bread boxes, also an endangered species these days.

But it wasn't only bread that came that way, snack cakes, fried pies, boxes of tea bags, many things appeared wrapped in the waxy paper that was heat sealed shut.

Cracker Jacks, cough drop boxes, candy bars and more were sealed for freshness.

Now, mylar type packaging seals that freshness in a whole lot better. It is more challenging to get into though, isn't it?

Strangely, crackers still come in individual waxed paper packs inside a plain cardboard box. An occasional fried pie still is bundled up in waxed paper, but other than that there are very few evidences of the once-prevalent paper.

Waxed paper, in it's familiar blue colored box, can still be purchased at a grocery store, but plastic wrap and aluminum foil long ago took it's place for routine covering of food items.

It's seldom used now except for special cooking projects. Growing up, there was always a roll in the kitchen. Now there never is.

Do I mourn the loss of waxed paper? No, I don't. I like plastic bread sacks, mylar candy bar wrappers and the various other things that have improved the shelf life of food products. But, I did spare it a few moments thought. I'll bet you can think of other packaging that has faded away with time...glass milk bottles, perhaps?

Tax Office to be closed Feb.26-March 2

The Rivercrest Tax Office will be closed for winter break February 26 through March 2, 2001. The office will return to regular hours March 5, 2001.

People N Things

Baseball & Softball & T-Ball sign ups will be held in Bogata on Sunday, March 11 from 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. and Monday, March 12, from 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.

The Deport American Legion will meet on the following Thursdays for 2001: March 8, April 12, May 10, June 14, July 12, August 9, September 13, October 11.

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SPEAKER-Nancy Jones Castilla, who was born in Rugby, was the guest speaker at the YWCA's annual Awards banquet last Thursday night. Nancy is the daughter of the late Doug and Goldie Alsbrook, long-time area natives. She is a Professor at Dallas County Community College and published author of poems. She read several of her poems during her speech. She spoke before a capacity crowd at the Paris Country Club. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)

Order of election for board of trustees

An election has been ordered to be held on May 5, 2001 for the purpose of electing the following Rivercrest Independent School District Trustees:

Position # 2 Talco; 3 year term
Position # 5 Bogata; 3 year term.

Position # 2 is held by Jimmy Via. Position # 5 is held by Charles Hines. Interested candidates must file for candidacy at the Rivercrest ISD Business Office at Rivercrest High School between the dates of February 19, 2001 and March 21, 2001.

Bogata 8th grade selling Pizza Hut Gold Cards

Bogata 8th grade class members are selling Pizza Hut Gold Cards to help fund their trip to Washington D.C. that some of the students will be taking during Spring Break.

The card consist of 20 free medium pizza coupons. Buy a large and receive a medium free. The cost of the card is \$10 and can be purchased

at the Guaranty Bank in Talco or by contacting Mona Pitts or Anne Simons at Bogata Junior High.

Please support these students by purchasing a Gold Card and help give them a trip that they will be telling their own children about one day.

Lions Club host games at RRH

The Bogata Lions Club sponsored Bingo games at Red River Healthcare February 20, 2001. Members on hand to help with the games were John Ragsdill, Frances Rozell, Betty and Buck Ramsey, Coy Coker and Raymond Franklin.

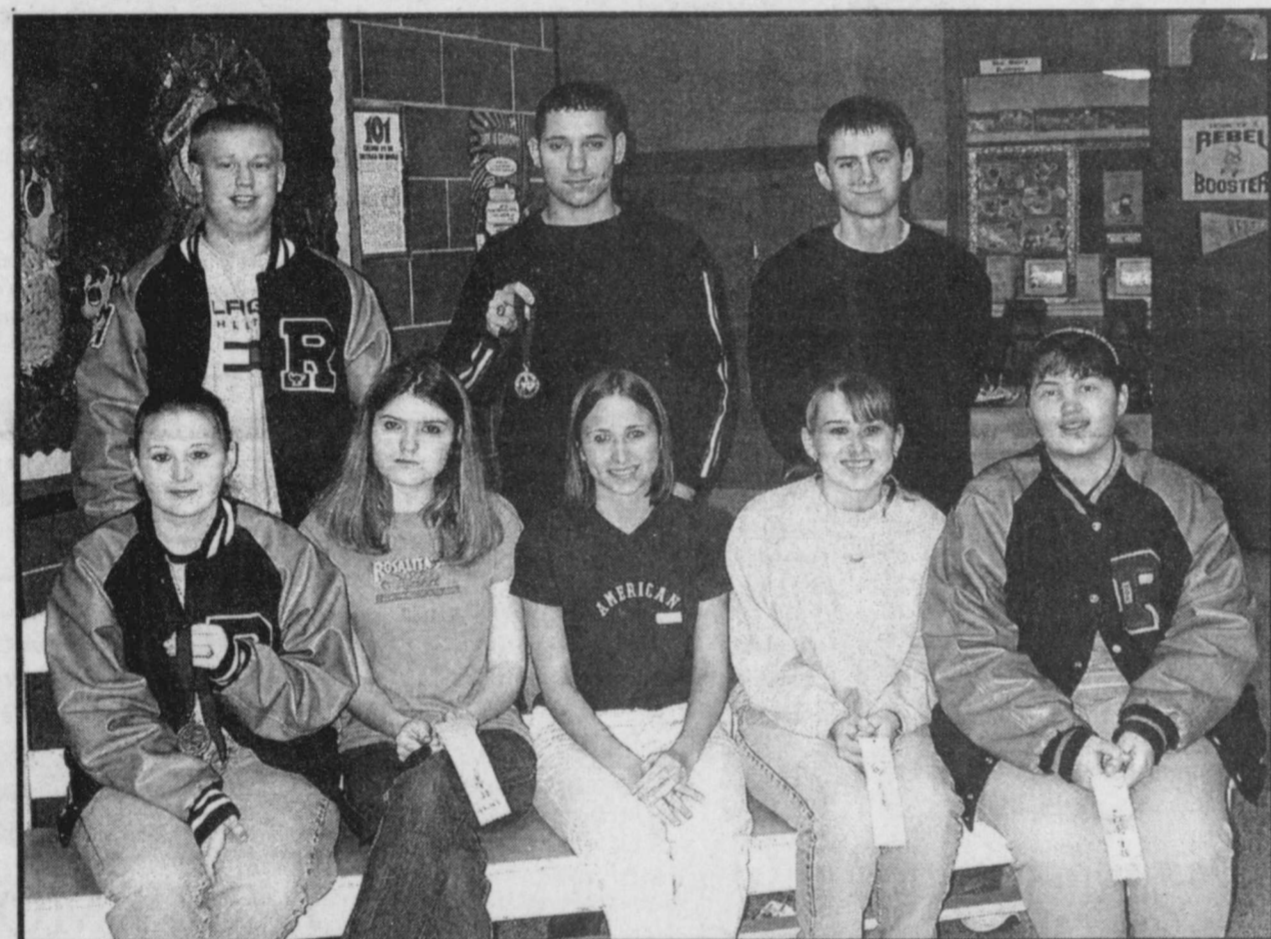
Winning prizes for the day were: Dorothy Posey, Dorothy Watkins, Doris Skaggs, George Hancock, Linda Collins, Billie Hancock, Nina Hudson, Oma McKinney and Hugh Forrester. All enjoyed the fun and fellowship.

Lions to hold Pancake Day March 10

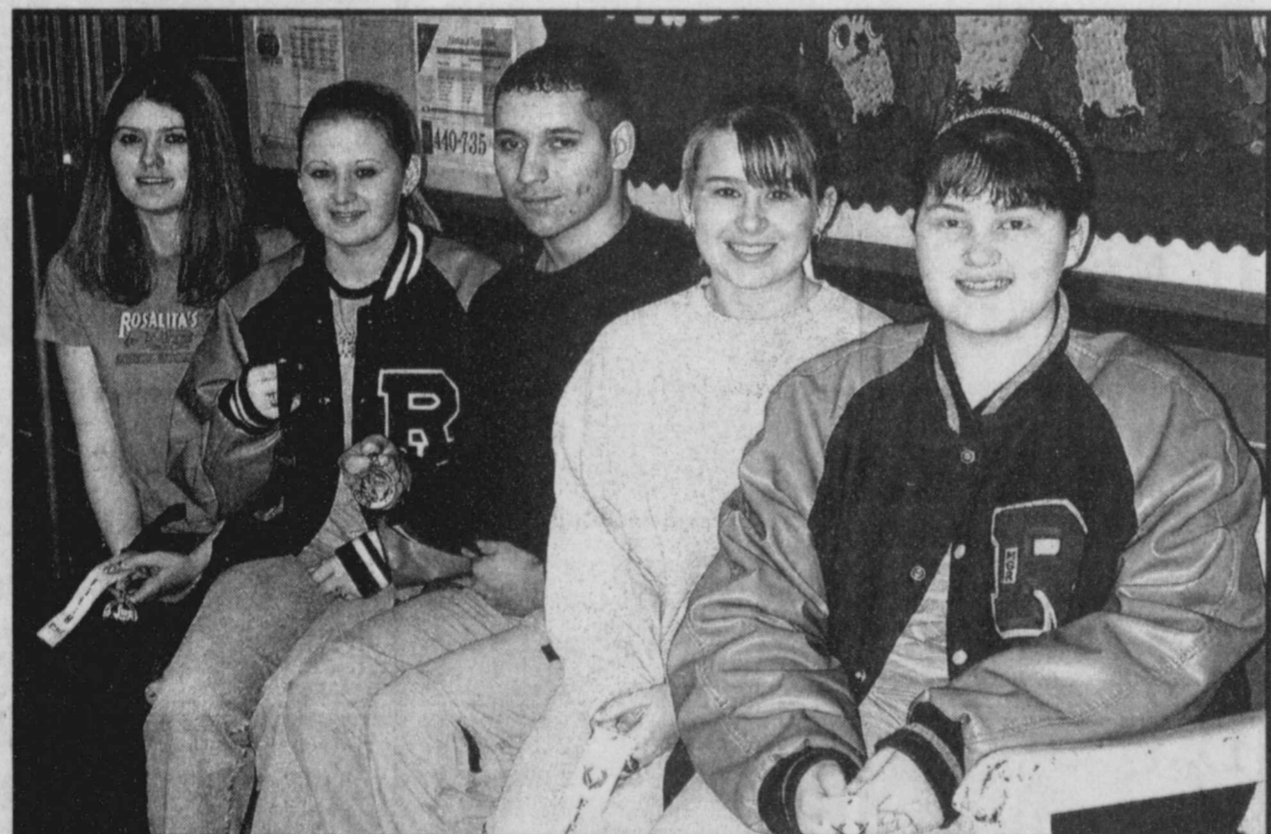
The Bogata Lions Club will have a Pancake Day will be held on March 10th from 7:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m.

The meal is all you can eat and the cost is \$3.50 for advance tickets or \$4 at the door. Advance tickets can be purchased from any Lion.

The event is scheduled to be held at the Bogata community center. Everyone is urged to come out.



ATTENDING-the North Lamar/PJC Invitational UIL Academic Meet on February 3, 2001 from Rivercrest High School were Kara Palmer, Brandon Davis, Eric Posey, Shelly Hollis, Kendall Stansell, Mark Jackson, Molly Hare, Sara Hollands, Kasey Crawford and Kayla Belcher. The students competed among 25 3A/2A and 1A schools. Kara placed 10th in Number Sense, Kasey placed 7th in Calculator Applications and Brandon placed 6th in Mathematics. Pictured are; (back from the left) Eric Posey, Brandon Davis and Mark Jackson and (front from the left) Kendall Stansell, Sara Hollands, Kara Palmer, Kayla Belcher and Shelly Hollis. Not pictured are Molly Hare and Kasey Crawford. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



RIVERCREST HIGH SCHOOL- Math students participated in the Avery invitational Math/Science meet on February 17, 2001. In the Number Sense contest, Brandon Davis placed 1st, Sara Hollands placed 3rd and Kayla Belcher placed 5th. In Calculator Applications contest, Shelly Hollis placed 4th. Brandon Davis placed 1st in Mathematics while Sara Hollands placed 5th. Others participating were Molly Hare and Kendall Stansell. Pictured are; (from the left) Sara Hollands, Kendall Stansell, Brandon Davis, Kayla Belcher and Shelly Hollis. Not pictured is Molly Hare. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



Rodeo Association to meet

The regular monthly meeting of the Bogata Rodeo Association will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, March 5 at the Bogata Community Center.

Anyone interested in joining the association can call a member or get information from the web page at www.bogatarodeo.org.

If you visit the website, you can look at the new pages. There is information on the upcoming Queen and Princess contests, including a photo of the trophy saddle to be given away. If these pages don't interest you, there is also a link to local talent, Wade White's website.

Talco-Bogata Guaranty Banks to close early Friday, March 2

The Talco and Bogata Guaranty Banks will be closing their doors early on Friday, March 2, 2001.

The banks which are normally open until 6:00 p.m. on Fridays will close at 5:00 p.m. March 2 in order for the employees to be able to attend the

Rivercrest Rebels first Regional play off game which will be held at Wagstaff Gym at Tyler Junior College, Tyler Tx.

Everyone is encouraged to plan to have their banking done early on this Friday.

Severe weather information

The National Weather Service is providing rural areas with severe weather information on the upcoming spring storm season, which will bring the possibility of tornadoes, thunderstorms, hail, lightning and flash flooding.

Tornadoes can occur at any time of the year. In Texas, peak tornado occurrence is in March through May. A secondary tornado maximum can occur in the fall. Tornadoes are most likely to occur between 3 and 9 p.m. but have been known to occur at all hours of the day or night.

An average tornado moves from southwest to northeast, but tornadoes can move in any direction.

The average forward speed is 30 mph but may vary from nearly stationary to 70 mph.

Flash flooding is the #1 weather-related killer in the United States. Nearly half of all flash flood fatalities are auto related. In your car or truck, look out for flooding at highway dips, bridges and low areas.

Water weighs 62.4 lbs. per cubic foot and typically flows downstream at 6 to 12 miles an hour. When a vehicle stalls in the water, the water's momentum is transferred to the vehicle. For each foot the water rises, 500 lbs. of lateral force are applied to the vehicle. But the biggest factor is buoyancy. For each foot the water rises up the side of the vehicle, the vehicle displaces 1,500 lbs. of water. In effect, the vehicle weighs 1,500 lbs. less for each foot the water rises.

Two feet of water will carry away most vehicles. Trucks with oversize tires are especially dangerous, because the large tires will actually help float the truck off the road.

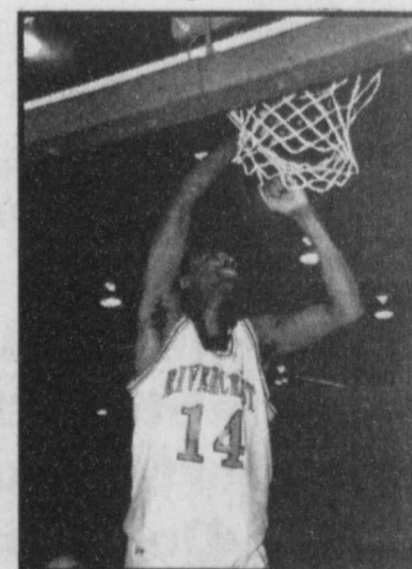
Occasionally, floating debris can accumulate at a natural or man made obstruction and restrict the flow of water. Water held back by the debris dam can cause flooding upstream.

Subsequent flash flooding can occur downstream if the obstruction should suddenly release.

Lightning often strikes outside of heavy rain and may occur as far as 10 miles away from any rainfall. Rubber soled shoes and rubber tires provide NO protection from lightning. However, the steel frame of a hard topped vehicle provides increased protection if you are not touching metal. Although you may be injured if lightning strikes your car, you are much safer inside a vehicle than outside.

Lightning strike victims carry no electrical charge and should be attended to immediately. What is referred to as "heat lightning" is actually lightning from a thunderstorm too far away for thunder to be heard. However, the storm may be moving in your direction.

Before a storm, develop a plan for you and your family for home, work, school and when outdoors. Have frequent drills. Know the county/parish in which you live, and keep a high-way map nearby to follow storm movement from weather bulletins.



KEITH HINES received the honor of the traditional "cutting the net down" following the Rebels defeat of Troup for the Area Championship Firdy night in Mineola. (Staff Photo by Nancy Brown)

Editor's Quotes

As a cure for worrying work is better than whiskey.
Thomas A. Edison

Sheriff warns public of scams

According to Bob Storey, Red River County Sheriff, there have been several scams going around the area, targeting mostly elderly people.

The scam concerns work on driveways and any kind of outside work. If someone calls that you do not know or are familiar with, contact the

Red River County Sheriff's Office with any information you can gather on the subjects, and a description of a vehicle if possible.

Do not give checks or money to these people or if you live in town, contact your local police department.

Country Cooking

By Liz Irwin

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Our cook this week is Danita (Gibbs) Gonzales and she is from Blossom. She is married to Mike and they have three boys. Scott is a freshman at Prairiland; Shane is a 5th grader at Blossom; and Stephen can hardly wait to begin school with his brothers.

Danita is the daughter of Delma and Sue Gibbs of Detroit. She also has two younger brothers, Joe and David.

When growing up, her dad provided for his family by selling firewood and cattle. They would split and stack firewood through the winter months and bale hay in the summer. All the work made for some big appetites, which her mother took care of. Danita states that she fed them good and she fed them a lot!

She was also fortunate to have both her grandmothers living nearby and both were wonderful cooks. Her Grandmother Gibbs kept a cookie jar filled on her counter. It was always well-stocked with delicious Ranger Cookies for frequent visitors, young and old. Her Grandmother Ballard makes fried pies that would compete with any in this part of the country and beyond. Danita remembers her teaching her how to cut out the perfect circle for the pie with a

saucer. She is very proud of the fact that the boy's Granmother and Grandfather Gonzales moved to Blossom so that the boys can be around them as they grow up.

They are all members of the Church of Christ at Fulbright and Danita teaches 3-5th grade classes. She is employed at the Blossom Post Office and is thankful to be working with such a positive group of people.

We would like to thank Danita for her recipes this week and we will see you in the kitchen!

Grandmother Gibb's Ranger Cookies-these are a favorite of everyone!

Peach Filling for Fried Pies this recipe can be frozen or canned and comes from her Grandmother Ballard.

Party Cheese Ball-they have a lot of gatherings they go to and this is easy to make and transport.

Pecan Pie-this recipe uses both light and dark corn syrup and make one 9-inch pie.

Morning Glory Muffins-this muffin recipe makes 3 dozen muffins using spices, carrots, raisins, pecans, coconut and apples. They are very good!

Cowboy Cookies-with three boys around, these probably don't last long!



COOK OF THE WEEK is Danita Gonzales of Blossom. She is the daughter of Delma and Sue Gibbs of Detroit. She learned much of her cooking skills from her mother and two grandmothers. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

Card of Thanks

We would like to sincerely thank those of you that offered comfort and support in the loss of our Father, William Stiles Conley. We greatly appreciate the beautiful flowers, cards and donations to the Bluff Cemetery in his honor. Thank you as well to the Pastor and members of the First Baptist Church of Detroit and the members of the Midway Community for the wonderful lunch. It was comforting to our family and friends to gather and share our memories, laughter and sorrow following the services. A very special appreciation for sharing with us in the "Celebration of Dad's Life" and offering words of friendship, kindness and comfort as we said "Goodbye" to our precious Father, PaPa and Friend. He will be missed!

The Conley Family
Linda, Martha, Sandra,
Diane & Families

Card of Thanks

Special thanks to all my friends and relatives for their prayers, cards, visits and calls before, during and after my surgery.

May God richly bless each of you,
Marcus Allums

Card of Thanks

I would like to thank everyone for their prayers and thoughts during my illness. Please keep me in your prayers.

Marlene Ray

Card of Thanks

The family of **Naomi Ruth Watson**, led by her husband of sixty-three years, J.C. Watson of Bogata, wishes to thank those of you in the Bogata-Deport area who offered prayers, support and sympathy, following Naomi's passing on February 20. The abundance of food and flowers, along with charitable donations in our beloved Naomi's name will be forever appreciated.

In the King James translation of the Bible, the word charity is synonymous with love and we are reminded of First Corinthians 13:13. "And now abideth faith, hope and charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity." Given your actions and expressions over this last week, the full meaning and importance of that scripture is in our hearts.

Denison attends special Austin College ceremony

Austin College student Drew Denison of Bogata, son of John and Larann Denison, was one of nearly 100 students who attended special ceremonies in Dallas recently during Austin College's annual "An Evening With Your Scholar" program. The event, held at the Omni Mandalay in Los Colinas, featured a keynote address by Dr. Jesse R. Thomas, III, owner of the Dermatology Center in Plano.

The program is designed to bring together the donors and honorees of scholarships at Austin College with the students currently holding those scholarships. The college stresses that scholarships offer more than dollars and the special evening opens the door for students and donors to become more acquainted and benefit from each others experiences.

Denison is a graduate of Rivercrest High School.



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Obituaries

June Roach dies February 12

June Roach, age 66 of Mt. Pleasant, died Monday, February 12 at Titus Regional Medical Center in Mt. Pleasant.

Services were held at Nevill's Chapel Cemetery on February 14 at 10:00 a.m. under the direction of Bates-Cooper Funeral Home. Bro. Tom Wacaster officiated.

Mrs. Roach was born in Red River County on December 24, 1934. She was a retired Titus County Tax Assessor Collector after 16 years, and was a member of the North Jefferson Church of Christ.

Surviving are her husband, J. P. (Bud) Roach of Mt. Pleasant; a son and daughter-in-law, Dr. Johnny W. and Gloria Roach of Oklahoma City, OK; a sister, Jean Holmes of Tyler and six grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, J.E. Blankenship and Leon Wilson Blankenship; a brother, Merkel Dean Blankenship and a sister, Maxine Rogers.

Donations may be made to the North Jefferson Church of Christ Building Fund.

Velma Mae Hanks dies February 19

Velma Mae Hanks, age 61 of Mt. Pleasant died Monday, February 19 at her residence.

Services were held at 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, February 21 at Bates-Cooper Chapel in Mt. Pleasant with graveside services on Thursday, February 22 at 10:30 a.m. at Bridges Chapel Cemetery. Bro. Leon Grissom and Bro. Jeff Crowley officiated.

She was born in Cass County on October 31, 1939 and was a homemaker.

Surviving are her husband, Bertram Hanks of Mt. Pleasant; her mother, Bernice Garrison of Mt. Pleasant; daughters, Jeanie Belcher of Palestine and Jill Noey of Marquez; sons, Gerald Hanks of Dallas and Joel Hanks of Mt. Pleasant; brothers, Felix Garrison of Wascom, Wallace Garrison of Arizona and William Garrison of Lake of the Pines; a sister, Martha Turnage of Queen City; and 13 grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her father, Vinton Garrison and a sister, Grace Little.



Rosina Martin

Rosina Martin dies February 25

Rosina Martin, age 88 of the Halesboro Community, and formerly of Dearborn, Michigan, passed away at her home on Sunday, February 25, 2001.

Funeral services have been scheduled for Saturday, March 3, 2001 at 1:00 p.m. in the Abundant Life Church of Minter, with the Reverend Tony Corso officiating. Burial will be made in Restland Cemetery, Cunningham, Texas. A Pamaona (dinner) will be served afterwards in the fellowship hall of the church. Wood Funeral Homes has charge of the arrangements.

She was born in Romania, Yugoslavia on June 28, 1912, the daughter of John and Roxa Duchin Bojin. She became a citizen of the United States in 1938, and was retired as a School Matron for the Dearborn Michigan School District. She married Roman Ghilezan on August 15, 1936; he passed away on June 13, 1978. She then married Peter Martin on June 11, 1982; he passed away on August 25, 1987. A daughter, Patricia Alexander, also preceded her in death on December 21, 1992.

Her granddaughter, Deborah Crawford and her husband, Steve of Halesboro, and a grandson, John Holcomb of Dallas, survive her.

Life teaches us to be less harsh with ourselves and with others.
—Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

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Grandmother Gibb's Ranger Cookies

1 cup granulated sugar
1 cup brown sugar
1 cup shortening
2 eggs-beaten
2 cups flour
2 cups oatmeal
1/2 teaspoon baking powder
1 teaspoon soda
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 cup Post Toasties-crushed

Mix sugars and shortening; add eggs and vanilla. Then add dry ingredients. Mix well. Add cereal. Place on greased cookie sheet by teaspoonful. Bake 10 minutes at 350 degrees.

Peach Filling for Fried Pies

2 gallons unpeeled peaches-cut up
6-8 cups sugar
2 cups vinegar

Mix and cook until thick or consistency of peach preserves. Pour into hot pint jars while boiling hot and seal. They may be placed into freezer containers and frozen. To make pies, simply make and cut pastry into 5-inch circles. Fill one side of circle with peaches and dot with butter. Moisten edges of dough with water and fold other half of dough over peaches. Seal edges of pie by pressing edges together with fork tines. Fry in hot shortening and turn once.

Pastry for Fried Pies

2 cups flour
1 teaspoon baking powder
1 teaspoon salt
1/2 cup margarine
1/2 cup + 2 tablespoons warm water

Combine flour, baking powder and salt. Cut in margarine and then add warm water. Cut into 5-inch circles.

Party Cheese Ball

2-8 ounce cream cheese
2 cups shredded cheddar
2 tablespoons mayonnaise
1 teaspoon black pepper
1 tablespoon Hidden Valley Ranch Dressing Mix
1 tablespoon mustard
1 bell pepper-chopped
4 green onions-chopped

Combine all ingredients and form into a ball. Sprinkle lightly with paprika.

Pecan Pie

3 eggs-slightly beaten
3/4 cups sugar
1/2 cup dark corn syrup

1/2 cup light corn syrup
1/4 teaspoon salt
2 tablespoons margarine-melted
1 teaspoon vanilla
1-1/2 cups pecans
9-inch deep dish pastry shell

Heat oven to 350 degrees. Spread pecans in pastry shell. Beat eggs, just until blended. Add sugar, syrups and salt. Melt margarine and let cool. Blend into syrup and sugar mixture. Add vanilla. Pour over pecans in pie shell. Bake 45-50 minutes.

Morning Glory Muffins

4 cups flour
2-1/2 cups sugar
4 teaspoons soda
4 teaspoons cinnamon
1 teaspoon salt
4 cups grated carrots
1 cup raisins
1 cup pecans-chopped
1 cup coconut
2 apples-peel, core & grate
6 eggs-slightly beaten
2 cups cooking oil
4 teaspoons vanilla

Into a large bowl, sift first five ingredients. Then stir next five ingredients and stir into flour mixture until just combined. Spoon batter into well-oiled muffin tins. Bake at 350 degrees for 15 minutes. Let cool 5 minutes and then turn out on rack to cool completely.

Cowboy Cookies

2-1/2 cups flour
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon soda
1/2 teaspoon baking powder
1 cup shortening
1 cup sugar
1 cup brown sugar
2 eggs
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 cup oatmeal
1 cup chopped nuts
6 ounces chocolate chips
1 cup mini M&M's

Sift together flour, salt, baking soda and baking powder; set aside. Cream shortening, sugar, eggs and vanilla until fluffy. Add flour mixture. Mix well. Add oats, chips, nuts and M&M's; mix well. Drop by spoonfuls onto greased cookie sheet. Bake at 350 degrees for 10-12 minutes.

Come and Get It!

Stew, Chili and Auction Benefiting the Deport Volunteer Fire Department

Saturday, March 3rd

Meal begins at 5:00 p.m.

AYCE-\$5 adults, \$2.50 children

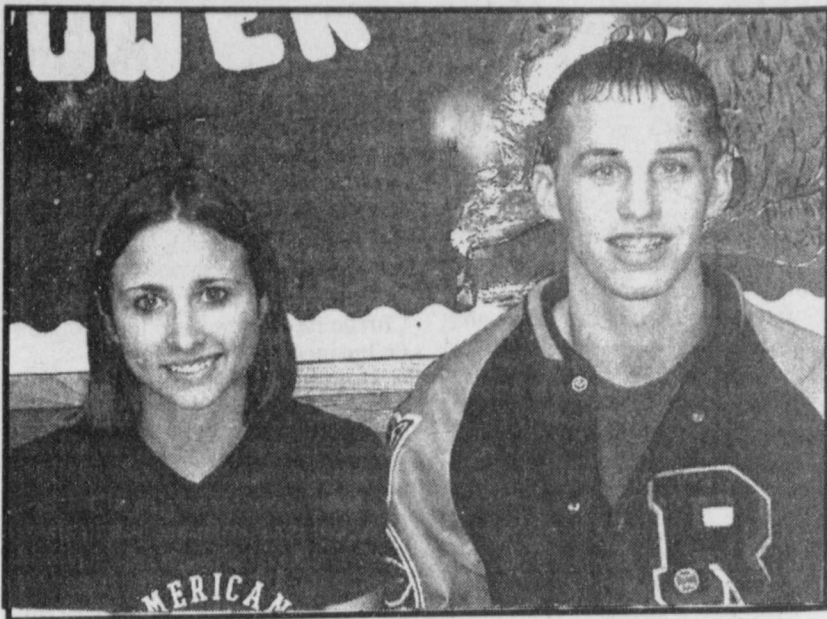
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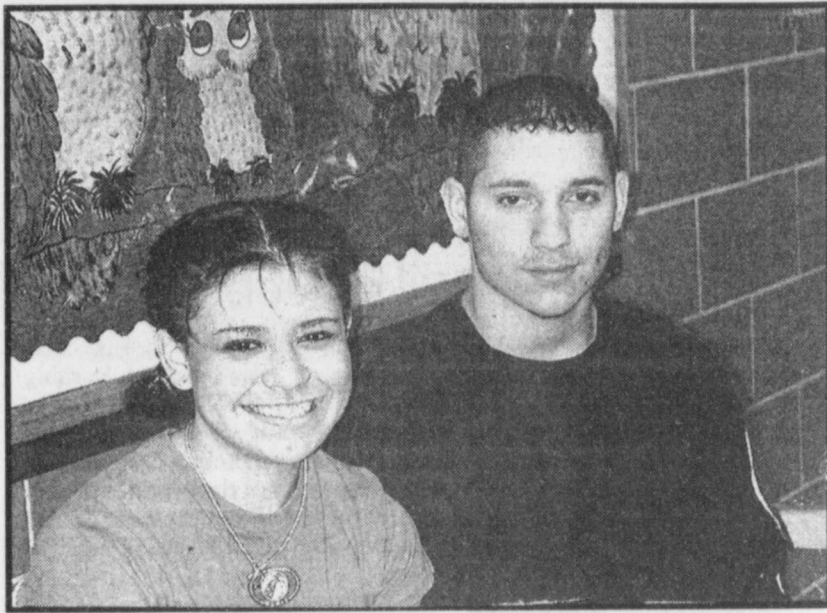


**Bogata V.F.W. Post 8187
News**

*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. Pool tables and shuffle board are open to enjoy all the time.
*Come out and enjoy a Bar-B-Que meal beginning at 5:00 p.m. March 3, 2001 and plan to stay and enjoy the music and dance beginning at 8:00 p.m.
*Crossfire Band will provide the music for a dance March 3, 2001 beginning at 8:00 p.m.. All March birthdays will be celebrated. Everyone is invited to come out and help celebrate.
*Sympathy is extended to Jerry and Marie Barns in the death of Jerry's brother, Calvin.
*Get Well Wishes are sent to June Killen, Mildred Eudy, Jean Smith, Scahchie Mayes, Tom White and Donald Ray O'Donnell.
*Happy Birthday to Carolyn Coggins.



STUDENTS OF THE MONTH-Kara Palmer and Kerry Posey were named Students of the Month at Rivercrest High School for September. Kara is the daughter of Karla Palmer and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Palmer of Bogata. She is a senior at RHS, an honor student and member of the Beta Club. Kerry is the son of Pam and Terry Posey of Sugar Hill. He is a senior at RHS, member of the varsity Rebel basketball team and is an honor student. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



STUDENTS OF THE MONTH-Krystal Valenzuela and Brandon Davis were named Students of the Month at Rivercrest High School for October. Krystal, the daughter of Juana Valenzuela of Bogata, is an honor student, member of the Lady Rebel basketball and softball teams, member of the Spanish Club and Beta Club. Brandon, the son of Mary Meade of Talco is an honor student, member of the Rebel football team, Beta Club and participates in UIL. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



New Arrival
Brant and Amanda Carr of Mt. Vernon are pleased to announce the birth of their son, Trevor Reese Carr, born February 1, 2001 at 8:45 p.m. in Medical Center in Plano, Tx. Trevor weighed 6lbs. 0ozs. and was 19 inches long. Proud grandparents are Jerry and Joyce Franks of Sugar Hill and Deryl and Barbara Carr of Mt. Vernon. Great Grandparents are Velma Franks of Sugar Hill, Wayne and Jeannine Hart of Mt. Pleasant and Paul and Wanda Carr of Winnsboro.

Talco Homecoming planning meeting set for March 8

A planning meeting for this year's Talco Homecoming will be held March 8, 2001 at the Western Sizzlin Restaurant in Mt. Pleasant beginning at 6:30 p.m.
This year's date will be Saturday, April 28, 2001. The honored classes will be 1941; 1951 and 1961. The group plans to mail invitations out by March 22, 2001. Secretary/Treasurer, Tilmor Clark said, "Everyone is invited to come help with plans for this year's homecoming". All ex-students who may not have graduated at Talco but attend school there for any length of time are urged to make plans to attend this year. The day is always filled with lots of reminiscing, reuniting with old friends and making new friends. Please come and help make this year's Talco Homecoming a huge success!

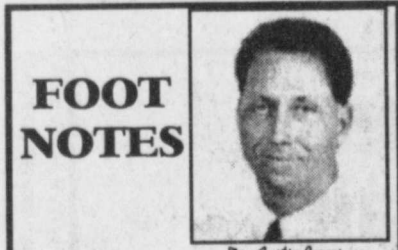
Special Valentine Service held at Thedford Homes in Bogata

A special Valentine service was held for the residents of Thedford Homes on February 20, 2001. The recreation room had been beautifully decorated for the occasion by Nancy Phillips. A group of 19 enjoyed a covered dish lunch.

Ashlyn Owen, the Valentine Sweetheart, drew the names of door prize winners. Prayer requests were taken followed by a song service. "A Clogged Heart" was the title of a skit presented by Nancy Phillips, Dorothy Johnson, Marlyn and Darren Moore. Pauline Wesley inspired the group with her rendition of "Amazing Grace" in Choctaw Indian. Bro. Bill Pirtle brought the message on Mark 5:41 called "The Master's Touch".

W.T. (Tator Bill) Dodd honored

"Heavens, Heavens, he's 67!" was the theme for a birthday party honoring W.T. (Tator Bill) Dodd Saturday night, February 17, 2001.
The surprise party was held at the Fish Fry in Paris. Family and friends gathered to enjoy fish and all the trimmings, cake and lots of fellowship.
Those attending were; Regan and RueAnna Bell and LaTonya Miller of Fulbright, Billy Jack, Jackie and Beulah Thompson of Sugar Hill, Stacy, B.J., Darian and Taylor Dodd of Cunningham, Brandon Jagers and Kasey Koke of Mt. Pleasant, Kett and Terri Boughner and Billy of Newton, John Paul of DeKalb, Tammy and Mary Lou Dodd of Johntown.
A great time was had by all and Tator Bill was truly surprised.



FOOT NOTES

Ganglion Cysts

When they occur on the foot, ganglion cysts usually develop on the ankle or top of the foot. These fluid filled swellings appear when tissues surrounding a joint become inflamed and swollen with lubricating fluid. Ganglions can develop due to overuse of a joint or repeated irritation for example, from wearing boots. Bone spurs also irritate joints and tendons, causing ganglions. The cyst may change in size, depending on a person's activities and the weather. They often cause no symptoms, but they can stress nerves in the skin and cause numbness, tingling, or even pain. Treatment often includes the removal of fluid via needle aspiration. Resting, padding the area, or splinting the affected joint may also help.
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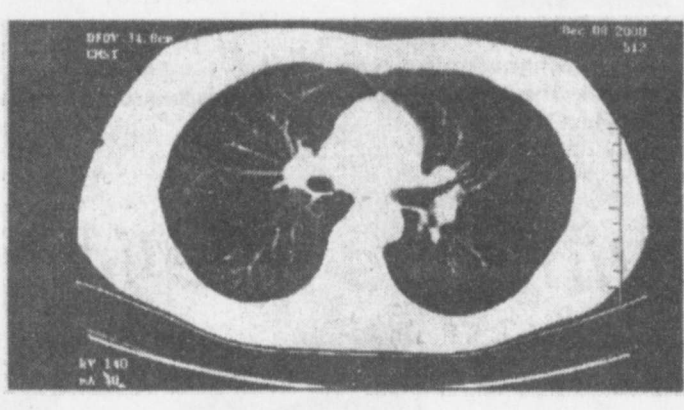
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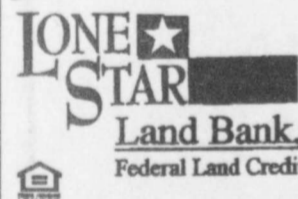


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**Bogata Baseball/Softball
Association meets**

The Bogata Baseball/Softball Association met in regular session Sunday, Feb. 25th to discuss plans for the 2001 season.

President, Mark Hare called the meeting to order. Old business was discussed and the financial report was read and approved. Concerns from the previous season were: Mowing of the field, lighting around the field, sewer/septic system.

Concerns for this year include: light pole replacements, solving sewer/septic problems, mowing the field, hanging batting cage net and recruiting umpires.

The beginning balance for the year 2001 is \$5,781.33.

The purchase of business signs and sponsors was discussed and agreed upon. Prices for these signs will be determined at the next meeting.

Sign up dates are as follows:
Sunday, March 11 from 2-4 p.m.
Monday, March 12 from 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Please bring original copied birth certifiact, sign up form and uniform from the previous year if one is still in your possession.

T-Ball sign up will be Sunday, March 11 from 2-4 p.m.

Ages for T-Ball are 4-6 years of age.

Questions concerning T-Ball may be directed to Stanley Jesse at 632-5946.

Officers for 2001-2002 season are as follows:

President Mark Hare ; VP Girls, David Mauldin; VP Boys, Donnie Hays; Sec. Sandra Mauldin; Treasurer, Kathie Thompson; Concession Chairperson, Kim Kelsey.

Tentative Clean Up Day will be Saturday, March 10th, March 17th if playoffs continue. Coaches and parents are urged to participate.

Coaches for 2001-2002 are: Girls, Darlings, Jim Ann Ward, 7-8; Angels, David Mauldin, Stanley Jesse, Charles Don Lewis, 9-10.

Ponytails-Bobby Thompson, David Mauldin, 11-2 Belles-Mark Hare, 13-15. 16-19, Mark Hare.

Boys Coaches-Pee Wees-Bobby Thompson, John Newsome, Minors, Randy Kennedy, John Haynes, Joe Rose, Ricky Kennedy.

Majors, Donnie Hays, Pony League, if interest contact Mark Hare. No further business was discussed. The meeting was adjourned.



GOOD HUMOR-The Rebels have their humorous side and all came out of their dressing room after winning the Area Championship over Troup with big smiles for family and friends awaiting them. They all had on Bubba Teeth!! Pictured with their big smiles are: (from the left back) Jeremy Grissom, Michael Galloway and Keith Hines and (front) Nathan Carroll. (Anything to relieve stress??) Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Rivercrest Rebels Area Champions

The Rivercrest Rebels entered the play offs in the race for the State championship Friday night at Mineola High School vs the Troup Tigers.

Following the introductions of players and coaches, Troup took the first tip of the ball and were first to get on the score board. The first Rebel points were made by Chase Collins. Both teams appeared tentative, having a case of the play off jitters, in the first quarter each testing the other. The Rebels who normally run and gun slowed their pace and were almost too careful with their shots. Troup held the lead for a short while in the quarter. Collins and Keith Hines scored all the Reb points in the quarter and at its end the score was tied at 13-13.

In the second the Rebels visibly relaxed, although they played a different type of game than fans are used to. Hines hit 2 free shots, Collins added 6 points on field goals and Michael Galloway hit his first try of the evening and a field goal. One

reporter stated he felt that the Rebels only played at 80% but that 80% was better than most at 100%. The half ended 26-21 Rebels.

In the third the Rebels who have been a zone defensive team shook the Tigers a little harder with the man to man defense they had played throughout most of the game. In the first half of the game Kyle Stansell, Rebel point guard, got into early foul trouble and in the second half it was Galloway and Collins. But, the Rebels went to town on scoring with Hines-4, Galloway-6 including his second try of the game, Collins-6 and Kerry Posey and Kyle Stansell got on the board, Posey-2 and Stansell-4. Score 48-36.

The final quarter saw the Rebels at the free shot line a lot as Troup committed fouls trying to stop them. Galloway shot 99% from the free shot line in the quarter and Hines 50%. Collins and Posey had field goals and the defense stayed busy. Nathan Carroll, Clinton Cheatwood and Myron

Bogata Locals

Visiting with Helen Williams during the weekend were George and Janet Hobbs of Huntsville, Granville and Haletha Jones of Commerce and Patty Barton of Bagwell.

Donald and Judy Screws and Chrisanna Guerra were in Arlington on business Wednesday.

Jennifer and Riley Reeder visited Sunday with Jerry and Gerlyn Gray and Margaret Davis. Also visiting were Harold, Judy, Heather and Heath Holt.

Happy March birthday to: Dixie Stringfellow, Jennifer Reeder, Judy Holt, Jessie Gray, Cheryl Hamilton, Rene Chapman, Lizzie Lee Legate, Chrystine Baker, Virginia Pike Coats, Jamie Ward, Kelsey Stringfellow, Howard E. Bryson, Johnnie Warren, Buddy Stringfellow, Jennifer Roberts Jimmie Stewart, Robyn Webb, Katilyn Spray, Megan Dunlap, Jonathan Jordan, James C. Courtney, Sydney Al'Ghareeb, Pat Courtney, Cierra Eshelman, Breezi Smith, Kenneth Harrison, Red White, Brenda Ross, Joshua Galyon, Rachel Elson, Jerry Simmons, Randy Huddleston, Averi Isaacs, Wendy Smith, Alex Alford, Brooke Medlin and Ronnie

Chappell. Happy March Anniversary to Kathie and Bobby Thompson, Laura and Michael Alford, Phillip and Susan Roach, Donna and Burl Robinson and Margaret and Talma Fowler.

Billie Welch of Blossom visited with Chrystine Baker Sunday and took her for a ride around the county side. While making a stop at the family farm the ladies got their vehicle stuck and had to call for help. Ronnie Welch came and pulled them out with the tractor and they spent the rest of the afternoon at the car wash.

Visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Donald Screws over the weekend were Chrisanna Guerra, Christopher and Jerred of Paris.

Corey and Casey Bradley of Bismark, Arkansas visited over the weekend with their grandparents, Phyllis and Kenneth Duffer. On Sunday Phyllis and Zelma Mauldin took the boys to Texarkana where they enjoyed lunch and met the boys dad, Rick Bradley, who picked them up for the return trip home.

Danny, Jessica and Marli Hines enjoyed camping at Pat Mayse Lake over the weekend.

4-H Clothing Project/Fashion Show held

The Red River County 4-H Clothing Project offers lifelong learning experience. 4-H members gain knowledge and skills that will benefit them throughout a lifetime.

- Objectives of the project include:
1. Building self-confidence and poise
 2. Developing judgment and creativity
 3. Gaining consumer skills
 4. Learning about clothing care and garment quality
 5. Acquiring knowledge about fibers and the processes for making fabric,
 6. Selecting accessories.

In addition to learning experiences, 4-H members had the opportunity to participate in the 2001 Red River County 4-H Fashion Show held on February 20, 2001 at 7:00 p.m. in Clarksville.

Red River County 4-Hers participated in a clothing series, participating in three project meetings held on January 11th, 15th and 16th. 4-H members learned about clothing and accessory styles, fibers, clothing care, presentation skills, and qualities of fabrics. The 4-Hers also toured Wester's Cleaners in Clarksville on the 15th.

Throughout the three day series, members constructed doorknob hangers out of felt. 4-H members learned how to sew on buttons and make blanket stitches and other stitches. Robbie Somerville, senior 4-H member, reviewed the qualities of fabrics and fiber content with the participants.

Special thanks goes to the Clarksville Housing Authority for allowing 4-H to use their facilities on Jan. 11, 15 & 16 and to Wester's Cleaners and KCAR for letting the group tour the facilities.

Red River County 4-H members involved in the clothing project are Amy Holt, Brandie Holt, Lisa Somerville, Robbie Somerville, Cheyenne Williams, Jarod Davidson, and Clover Kids Wesley Davidson and Shyrle Bivins. At the Fashion Show all 4-H members participating on the county level placed 1st in each in each of their categories and will advance to the district level on March 10th in Commerce, Texas.

Anyone interested in getting involved in 4-H, contact the Extension Office at 903 427-3867. Extension programs serve people of all ages, regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability or national origin.

RHS lost all three tosses! The game was set for Monday, February 26, 2001, at Tyler Junior College Wagstaff Gym with game time 7:30 p.m.

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TALCO RATTLERS-(boys 5th and 6th grade) Rivercrest Youth Basketball team members this year are; (back from the left) Drew Godwin, Jeremy Moore, Andrew Deaton and Coach, Kip Stansell and (front from the left) Destry Nolen, Aaron Gage, Alex Savage and Cole Birchfield.

Talco-Bogata-RHS school menu
March 5-9

Monday

Breakfast
Cereal
toast
juice & milk
Lunch
Pizza
corn
salad
cookies
milk

Tuesday

Breakfast
Waffles w/syrup
juice & milk
Lunch
Soft tacos
refried beans
pickle spears
fruit
milk

Wednesday

Breakfast
Sausage biscuit
jelly & butter
juice & milk
Lunch
Sloppy Joe on a bun
baked beans
tator tots w/ketchup
jell-o
milk

Thursday

Breakfast
Breakfast pizza
juice & milk
Lunch
Chicken fried steak
cream potatoes
green beans
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Lady Rebels open softball season Thursday

The Lady Rebels played their opening game for the softball season Thursday competing in the Chapel Hill Tournament held at Heritage Park in Mt. Pleasant. In their first game the met Clarksville and took the field as the home team. Jamie Daniels was on the pitcher's mound where she sent the first two Lady Tiger batters to the bench on strike outs. A throw from Kim Ross at short stop to Molly Hare at first base sent the Lady Rebs in for their first at bat this season. The bad weather and longer basketball season has given the Lady Rebels little practice time and they were a bit rusty. Two strike outs and a fly out sent them back to the field with a 0-0 score.

Score 2-0 Lady Rebels.
The Lady Rebel defense held out and Daniels struck out 10 Lady Tigers. Flies were caught by Ashley Beers, Erica Williams and Kim Ross and outs were thrown by Ross, Hare and Beers. The final score was 2-0 Lady Rebels.
After a short rest the girls met Honey Grove. The Lady Rebels were the visitors, starting at bat. The first 3 batters took a walk and Kim Ross drove a base hit to center field to score 3 runs. After 2 ground outs, Cheryl Griffin base hit to right field to score Ross. The third out came leaving Griffin and Ashley Beers on base. Score 4-0 Lady Rebels.
On the defense, Molly Hare took the pitcher's mound for the Lady Rebels. A force to second base, strike out and fly out sent the Lady Rebels back to bat. And bat they did! Tina Carder led off with a bunt and out run the throw to first, Erica Williams got on from an error at short stop, Molly Hare base hit, Kim Ross base hit, Jamie Daniels took the walk, Krystal

Valenzuela got on from a short stop error as did Cheryl Griffin. Ashley Beers and Kim Shirley took walks and the bat rolled back to Carder who was hit by the pitcher and put on base again. Erica Williams walked and Kim Ross turned her base hit to right field giving the Lady Rebels 9 runs in the inning. Score 13-0 Lady Rebels.
The Lady Warriors were held scoreless until the 4th inning when an error and base hit to left field scored 2 runs. A strike out, fly out and throw out ended the Lady Warrior drive. Back at bat, Jennifer Hays scored on a base hit from Cheryl Griffin before the third out came for the Lady Rebels. Time ran out with the score Lady Rebels 14, Lady Warriors 2. Molly Hare struck out 5 batters, Kim Ross, Molly Hare and Jennifer Hays made ground outs or throws out and flies were caught by Rachel Case and Kim Ross.

The game continued 3 up and 3 down until the 4th inning when Lady Rebel, Tina Carder took a walk to first and Molly Hare moved her with a base hit just over second. Kim Ross followed Hare with a base hit over third scoring Carder. Jamie Daniels sailed a hit past the 3rd baseman to score Ross before the final out came.

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The girls were to return for play Friday but rain canceled the tournament.

"BOOM" wins over Hustlers

The Talco "BOOM" (girls 5th and 6th grade) sponsored by Hale Electric have been participating in the Chapel Hill/Harts Bluff/Winfield Little Dribbler League and while the team has been defeated in their first 4 games, 2 of them were slim losses. The Rivercrest Youth are basically taught to play zone defense and of-

fense and the rules in this league call for man to man play throughout the first half. It has confused the girls but they are reported adjusting well and on Saturday they took their first win.
Playing the Chapel Hill Hustlers at Chapel Hill with only 6 players, Boom did an excellent job on their man to man defense. Lauren Beers of Bogata, who is not a team member, helped out

in the absence of the other players.
The final score was 17-7 BOOM. Scores had come from Rachel Smith, Danica Easterling, Megan Savage, Melanie Smith and high point for the game was Lauren Beers with 6 points which included two free shots.
The girls were excited with their win and appreciate Lauren's help.

March
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Childbirth Education Classes (Must be pre-registered. Call 577-644 at least one week in advance.)	March 1-22, Thursdays 7:00 p.m.	Board Room
Big Brother/Big Sister Class (Must be pre-registered)	March 10, Saturday, 1:30 p.m.	Auditorium
Why Weight Community Weight Loss Support Group Dr. Carter Moore - "Women's Health Issues Related to Weight Gain"	March 1, Thursday, 6:00	Back Cafeteria
Adult Diabetes Support Group	March 6, Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.	Back Cafeteria
Women's Health Seminar Business & Professional Women Free Health Fair, Lunch and Seminar - \$25	March 10, Saturday, 8-2	First Baptist Church Christian Life Center
Stroke Support Group	March 12, Monday, 2:00 p.m.	Auditorium
Colon Cancer Detection & Prevention - Dr. Jon Tompkins	March 20, Tuesday, 7:00 p.m.	Back Cafeteria

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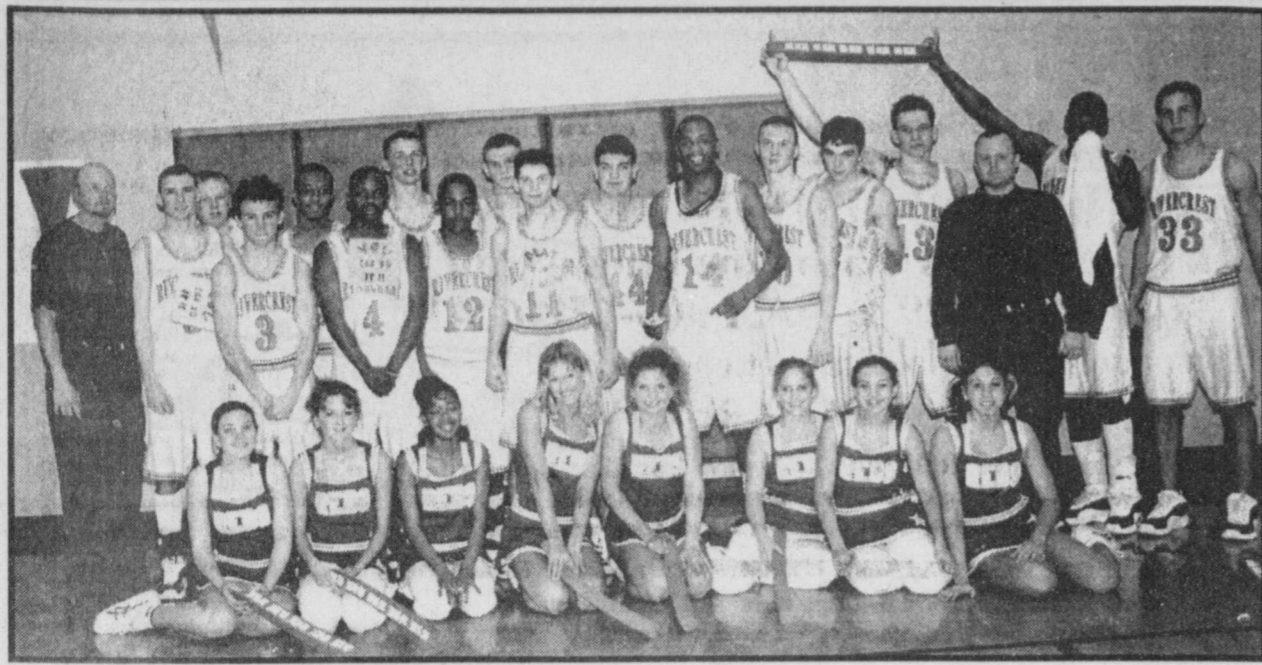
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AREA CHAMPIONS-The Rebels took the Area Championship Friday night in Mineola defeating the Troup Tigers. Pictured are (from the back left to right) Manager Eric Posey, Ryan Newton, Kerry Posey and Josh Cabell; (middle from the left) Coach Brandon Oats, Clinton Cheatwood, C.A. Middleton, Myron Ellis, Zach Perry, Nathan Carroll, Colby Guest, Keith Hines, Kyle Stansell, Jeremy Grissom, Chase Collins, Coach Steve Weddle, Michael Galloway and Steven Shade and (front from the left) Rebel cheerleaders, Sara Alsop, Dusty Townes, Charla Hines, Brittany Bull, Shari Wisinger, Alison Foster, Danielle Easterling and Ashley Beers. Congratulations Rebels!! (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Rivercrest Rebels regional bound

The Rivercrest Rebels won the Area Championship on Friday night February 23, 2001 at Mineola High School with a defeat of Troup. On Monday night the team met Edgewood at Tyler Junior College's Wagstaff Gym at 7:30 p.m. Three of the Rebels, Chase Collins, Kerry Posey and manager, Eric Posey set the mood of the evening having bleached their hair white and sprayed the top blue with their numbers in blue on the backs of their heads.

Following the introductions of the players and coaches the first tip of the ball was taken by Rivercrest and Michael Galloway put the first points of the night on the score board with a trey. The Bulldogs not to be out done answered with a trey. But, what happened from that point on still has Rebel fans talking. Michael Galloway had an angle riding his shoulder in the quarter. He sent 5 three pointer's screaming through the hoop and was fouled attempting another sending him to the free shot line where he ripped the net 3 times for a total of 18 points in the quarter. With scores from Chase Collins, Keith Hines and Clinton Cheatwood added to Galloway's the Rebels were up 26-19 at the quarter's end.

The Bulldogs, whether out of frustration or on purpose, played a rough

ball game almost physically attacking the Rebels. And, its not to say the Rebels didn't get in their own licks but they handled the attacks with grace. The second quarter saw Kyle Stansell, Clinton Cheatwood and Myron Ellis score and Galloway's angel stayed with him. He sent two more trey's to the hoop for a total of 7 and 21 points from them alone. At the half the Rebels led 38-26. Chase Collins drew a roar from the crowd with a clean block in the quarter.

Following the half time break Keith Hines scored for the Rebels first in the third quarter. The Bulldogs who had really played unreasonable throughout the first half drew their first Intentional Foul by pushing Myron Ellis. Ellis took his free shots and popped the net on both and the Rebels got the ball out of bounds. Nathan Carroll made his first appearance in the game relieving Keith Hines. Rebel fans cheered as Kerry Posey attempted the slam dunk on an ally-oop pass. And, the Rebels rocked and rolled. Scores came from Keith Hines, Kerry Posey and Myron Ellis for a quarter ending total of 53-27 Rebels. The final quarter the Rebels just cruised. Kerry Posey set the crowd on their feet with a clean block and also drew the second Intentional Foul from the Bulldogs. Posey who was

the first Rebel to score in the 4th quarter netted the free shots and the Rebels again took a free possession of the ball. Before retiring to the bench Chase Collins drew a roar with an attempted slam dunk and the game progressed in the Rebel's favor. With just over 2 minutes left in the game the Rebel starters were replaced by first string subs, Clinton Cheatwood, Myron Ellis and Nathan Carroll along with Ryan Newton, Stephen Shade and Josh Cabell. Final score Rebels 62, Edgewood 47. High scorer for the game was Michael Galloway with 24 points followed by Kerry Posey with 11, Keith Hines with 9, Chase Collins with 8, Clinton Cheatwood and Myron Ellis with 4 and Kyle Stansell with 2.

The Rebels will now enter the Regional Play Offs in Tyler on March 2-3. On Friday night they will play at 8:00 p.m. at the Wagstaff Gym at Tyler Junior College. The team they will meet was undetermined at press time. However, it was thought it might be Corrigan who was to play Centerville on Tuesday night in their quarter final game.

Everyone is urged to plan to attend Friday's game and support the Rebels as they continue on their road to Austin. Go Rebels!!!!

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.

Third Tuesday of each month
Free commodities are distributed on the 3rd Tuesday of each month from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at the First Baptist Church in Bogata.

Tuesdays
BAM! (Bogata Area Moms) play group for stay-at-home moms and children will be meeting weekly from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. All interested should call Kelly at 632-4493 or e-mail her at BogataAreaMoms@aol.com for more information.

Every 1st Sunday monthly
The Bogata Church of Christ invites everyone to enjoy lunch with them following morning services every 1st Sunday each month. Following the meal every 1st Sunday, services are held at Red River Healthcare beginning at 2:00 p.m. All are invited to attend.

Bogata Public Library/Museum
The Bogata Public Library/Museum is open each Friday from 10 am to 4 pm and each Saturday from 10 am to 2 pm. A library card is available to all citizens of Bogata and the surrounding area. Come by and enjoy the Museum and check out a good book for your reading pleasure.

March 2
On Friday, March 2, 2001 the Talco and Bogata Guaranty Banks will close at 5:00 p.m. in order to give the staff time to attend the Rivercrest Rebels Regional game.

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Public Notices

NOTICE
The City of Bogata will accept applications through March 8, 2001 for a full-time position in the Public Works Department. Requirements include a valid Texas drivers license with a good driving record and a high school diploma or equivalent. A pre-employment drug screen is also required. Salary is dependent on qualifications. Applications and job descriptions are available at City Hall, 128 N. Main, during the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. The City of Bogata is an Equal Opportunity Employer.
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NOTICE
The Housing Authority of the City of Talco, Texas will accept bids until Thursday, 12:00 p.m., March 8, 2001 at the Talco Housing Authority, 802 E. Wilson, Talco, TX, 903-379-2841 for lawn care during the seven-month period from April 1, 2001 through October 31, 2001. The successful bidder must furnish all equipment and labor necessary to accomplish the work. Specifications and scope of work may be obtained at the office of the Housing Authority.
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The City of Bogata, Texas will receive bids for 2000 TCDP Project No. 720071 Water and Wastewater System Improvements until 2:00 p.m., Thursday, March 8, 2001 at City Hall, 128 N. Main, P.O. Box 400, Bogata, Texas 75417. Bids are invited for the several items and quantities of work as follows:

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- 2) 3,945 L.F. of 6" PVC gravity sewer main and 650 L.F. of 8" gravity sewer main and associated manholes.
- 3) 830 L.F. of 8" gravity sewer main via pipe bursting and associated manhole rehabilitation.

Bid/Contract Documents, including Drawings and Technical Specifications are on file at KSA Engineers, Inc., P.O. Box 1552, 140 E. Tyler Street, Suite 6001 Longview, TX 75606, 903-236-7700, FAX 903-236-7779, www.ksaeng.com.

Copies of the Bid/Contract Documents may be obtained by depositing \$50.00 with KSA Engineers, Inc. for each set of documents obtained. The deposit will be refunded to bidders if the documents and drawings are returned in good condition within 10 days following the bid opening.

A bid bond in the amount of 5% of the bid issued by an acceptable surety shall be submitted with each bid. A certified check or bank draft payable to the City of Bogata or negotiable U.S. Government Bonds (as par value) may be submitted in lieu of the Bid Bond.

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 contained in the contract documents, must be paid on this project. In addition, the successful bidder must ensure that employees and applicants for employment are not discriminated against because of their race, color, religion, sex or national origin.

The City of Bogata reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any informalities in the bidding.

Bids may be held by the City of Bogata for a period not to exceed 90 days from the date of the bid opening for the purpose of reviewing the bids and investigating the bidders qualifications prior to the contract award.

All contractors/subcontractors which are debarred, suspended or otherwise excluded from or ineligible for participation on federal assistance programs may not undertake any activity in part or in full under this project.

ORDER OF ELECTION
An election is hereby given to be held on May 5, 2001 for the purpose of electing three (3) councilmembers. First day to file for place on the ballot is February 19, and last day is March 21. Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at City Hall, 128 N. Main, Bogata, TX, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., beginning on April 18 and ending on May 1. Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to Anita Couch, City of Bogata, P.O. Box 400, Bogata, TX 75417 and must be received no later than the close of business on April 27, 2001. Issued this 12th day of February, 2001.
Jack Crane, Mayor
3-1

March 2
The Rivercrest Rebels will play their first game of the Regional Tournament on Friday, March 2 at 8:00 p.m. in Wagstaff Gym at Tyler Junior College, Tyler, Tx. Everyone is urged to come out and support the team.

PUBLIC NOTICE
REQUESTS FOR BIDS/NEGOTIATED CONTRACTS (Emergency Procurement and Contract Procedures LGC 252.0215(a), 1, 2, 3)

Information and Specifications
The City of Blossom solicits bids or negotiated contracts for the following services. The procurement, response requirements and contract specifications are pursuant to and in compliance with City of Blossom Emergency Disaster Declaration Resolution No. 001-02, adopted January 11, 2001, and FEMA Disaster Declaration 1356-DR-TX, and other applicable State and Federal Regulations:

- 1. Scarify, reshape and compact 13,500 sq. yards of existing pavement; total of eleven (11) paved City street projects.
- 2. Apply chip seal coat (single course) to 13,500 sq. yards of paved streets as detailed in Par 1, above.
- 3. Scarify, reshape and compact 10,000 sq. yards of existing gravel streets; total of nine (9) street projects.

Bids or contract proposals must be delivered to Blossom City Hall, P.O. Box 297, 1240 W. Front Street, Blossom, Texas 75416, Fax #903-982-6599, prior to 4:00 p.m., March 6, 2001. The City reserves the right to reject any or all bids and/or to waive any technicality, which may benefit the City. For additional information as to requirements or scope of work and bid documents, contact the City Administrator at the above address or call 903-982-5900.
Patti Donovan, City Secretary
3-1

PRAIRILAND ISD ORDER OF ELECTION

An election is hereby ordered to be held on May 5, 2001, for the purpose of electing two (2) board members. First day to file for place on the ballot is February 19, and last day is March 21. Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at the Prairiland Administration Office, Pattonville, TX between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. beginning on April 18 and ending on May 1. Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to Lisa Clarkson, Prairiland ISD, Rt. 1, Box 200, Pattonville, TX 75468 and must be received no later than the close of business on April 27, 2001. Issued this 19th day of February, 2001.
James R. Morton, Superintendent
3-1

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given of the City of Blossom municipal election is to be held on May 5, 2001 for the purpose of:

- 1. Electing three (3) Council persons, Full Two (2) Year Term.
- 2. Electing one (1) Council vacated position, One (1) Year Term.

Applications for a place on the ballot will be accepted each weekday at the City of Blossom, City Hall, 1240 W. Front Street, Blossom, Texas, between 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. from February 19, 2001 until the deadline of 5:00 p.m. on March 21, 2001.

For further information, please contact Patti Donovan, City Secretary, at 982-5900 or the above address.
3-1

ORDER OF ELECTION

City of Talco
An election is hereby ordered to be held May 5, 2001 for the purpose of electing a Mayor for a two (2) year term; and to elect two (2) councilmen, each for a two (2) year term, for the City of Talco, Texas.

Interested candidates must file for candidacy at the Talco City Hall, located at 400 West Broad Street, Talco, Texas between February 19, 2001 through March 2, 2001 between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.
K.M. Sloan, Mayor
3-8

INVITATION TO BID

The Commissioners Court of Red River County will receive sealed bids until 10:00 a.m. Monday, March 9, 2001, for five large diesel generators (see information listed below) acquired by Red River County during the recent ice storm. For more information, contact Shirley Anderson, County Auditor, at 903-427-2131. Bids must be submitted for each generator separately and delivered to the office of the County Auditor by the date and time indicated above. At

that time, the bids will be opened and read publicly. Action on the bids is then at the discretion of the Commissioners Court. The court reserves the right to refuse all bids and/or to accept the bid deemed in the best interest of the County.

Generator #1: Red River Water Supply, 155KW, 248 HP-480 Volt, used 48 Hrs.

Generator #2: Red River Water Supply, 100KW, 160 HP-480 Volt, used 24 Hrs.

Generator #3: City of Clarksville, 30KW, 48 HP-480 Volt, -0 hrs. used.

Generator #4: City of Avery, 30KW, 48 HP-480 Volt, used 168 Hrs.

Generator #5, English Water Supply, 20 KW, 32 HP-480 Volt, used 192 Hrs.
3-8

REQUEST TO BID

The Commissioners Court of Red River County will receive sealed bids until 10:00 a.m. Friday, March 23, 2001, for the purchase of the following road materials for the period beginning April 13, 2001 and ending April 12, 2002.

Road Oil-All Types; Hot and/or Cold Mix; Flexbase; Portland Cement (by the bag); Road Gravel; Rock; Sand; Pit Run; Rip Rap; Bridge Material; Asphalt & Emulsion; Road Gravel Grade 5 & 4; Oil Sand; Sandstone; Commercial Sandstone; Iron Ore Rock; Red Rock; Limestone Rock; RC250; Culverts and/or Tank Cars; Hauling Gravel.

Bids should include cost of materials at the plant site. It should also include separately, the cost of materials delivered to each precinct. Cost of materials should be priced per ton.

Precinct #1 is located at Bogata, Texas.

Precinct #2 is located at Bagwell, Texas.

Precinct #3 is located at English, Texas.

Precinct #4 is located at Boxelder, Texas.

Bids must be delivered to the office of the County Auditor by the date and time indicated above. Bids must be in a sealed envelope and marked "Bid". At that time, the bids will be opened and read publicly. Action on the bids is then at the discretion of the Commissioners Court. The court reserves the right to refuse all bids and to accept the bid deemed in the best interest of the County. The Commissioners Court will act on these bids on Monday, April 9, 2001.
3-8

REQUEST FOR BID

The Commissioners Court of Red River County will receive bids until 10:00 a.m. Monday, March 23, 2001, for the purchase of gasoline and diesel fuel for County vehicles and equipment. The contract period will begin April 13, 2001 and end April 12, 2002.

Bidders should state the gravity of the diesel fuel. Prices should be their rack price and include any add-on charges as a part of the bid price. A copy of the bill of lading showing where purchased and a rack price print-out showing rack price paid is required with each purchase of gasoline or diesel upon request. At the close of each month, a list will be provided to the County Auditor, consisting of location, delivered date, invoice number, product and amount of gallons delivered.

All current and updated material safety data sheets must be provided during this contract.

Individual bids should be made for cost delivered to each Commissioners' precinct.

Precinct #1 is located at Bogata, Texas.

Precinct #2 is located at Bagwell, Texas.

Precinct #3 is located at English, Texas.

Precinct #4 is located at Boxelder, Texas.

Individual bids should be made for the Sheriff's Department, County Attorney, County Constable, Maintenance Department and N.E. Texas Opportunities.

Bids must be delivered to the Office of the County Auditor by the time and date indicated above. Bids must be in a sealed envelope and marked "Bid". Action on the bids is then at the discretion of the Commissioners Court. The Court reserves the right to refuse all bids and to accept the bid deemed in the best interest of the County. The Commissioners Court will act on these bids on Monday, April 9, 2001.
3-8

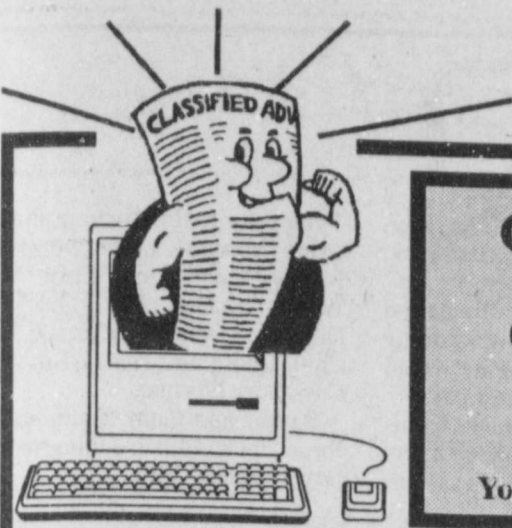
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March 5
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March 8
A Talco Homecoming planning meeting will be held at the Western Sizzlin Restaurant in Mt. Pleasant on March 8, 2001 beginning at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend and help with this year's homecoming events.

Happy March Birthday to: Kim Anderson, Carl Smith II, Jerry Simmons, Breezi Smith, Cierra Eshelman, Johnny Swarts, Randy Nolen, Johnny Jones, Ronald Collins, Bobby Jack Brown, Luke Clark Smith, Kelsey Clark and Alex Alford.

Melanie Smith participated in a 4H fashion show at the Extension Office in Mt. Pleasant Sunday. Melanie modeled casual/lounge wear. She is the daughter of Russell Smith of Talco and Sally Dunn of Lufkin and is a member of the Talco 4H.

Cooking Rebel Style cookbooks still on sale

"Cooking Rebel Style" cookbooks are still on sale at the Talco School, Talco and Bogata Guaranty Banks. The 300 recipe cookbook is selling from \$10 each and all proceeds will help benefit the Junior High Science Department. To purchase one contact the Talco School at 379-3841, Leah Bull or Tina Nolen.

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

Raymond and Mary Ann Adler. Raymond suffered a heart attack last week. He is reported doing better. Scott Blalock is reported home and doing well following a stay Saturday and Sunday in a Tyler Hospital where he was admitted with chest pain. Nancy Brown visited Jack, Jennifer and Jaden Brown Monday afternoon in Paris. Also visiting was Pam Allimon. Enjoying supper at Mercardo's in

Tyler prior to the Rivercrest play off game Monday night were: Tina, Randy, Destry and Chris Nolen, Wanda Vickers, Mike and Martha Deming, Marta Rhoades and Robert Caul, Eddie and Nancy Brown and Cassandra Norman. Arthur and Patsy Smith will celebrate their 44th wedding anniversary March 2, 2001.

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VAN CAMP PORK & BEANS 16 Oz. 2/79¢	BETTY CROCKER FUDGE BROWNIE MIX 19 Oz. \$1.19	PARADE BUTTERMILK BISCUITS 4/\$1	HIDDEN VALLEY SALAD DRESSING MIX 1 Oz. 99¢
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