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By Nanalee Nichols

The subject is sewing! "Sewing?" you may ask, what can be said about that.

I want to tell all those people out there who know how to sew...who can operate a sewing machine, construct garments and useful items like quilts, curtains and dog beds just what a talent I think they have.

Now, I can do hand work...crewel embroidery, cross stitch, needlepoint, hemming, hand quilting, and silk ribbon embroidery. I can take needle and thread and twist it, turn it, loop it and create soom really pretty (an usually useless) things...but a pattern and sewing machine go way beyond my ability.

This fact I have known for years, but it was re-enforced in my mind once more when I decided to make a moire silk table runner with ribbon embroidery for our dining room table.

Now, the basic shape of a table runner is just that...basic. It is rectangular, not a complicated shape. No darts, dips, scallops, gathers, zippers, button holes or anything else to complicate things.

I managed to cut the fabric in half (big deal) I then attempted to try fusing an interfacing to the fabric. Nobody told ME about pressing cloths! Well, there was something in the directions about it, but it didn't soak in. Do you know what a mess interfacing makes when it is melted all over the iron? Just ask me.

But, finally, I managed to struggle through that. Then I was faced with the task that after all my ribbon embroidery was done I was going to need to sew these two pieces of fabric together. That's when I chickened out. Forget it...I'm contacting one of my friends that can sew. The simple fact is that I can operate big tractors, drive grain trucks, am a pretty good hand on computers, can handle power tools and navigate through customs into foreign countries. But I cannot and never have been able to operate a sewing machine worth a flip! Threading it I can manage, a bobbin I can do...but adjusting speed while coordinating fabric feed and making the needle go straight? It's impossible. My mother tried to teach me, and my homemaking teacher exhibited more patience than was required...it didn't take. So, I'll swap skills with a friend. If she will machine stitch around the edges of my table runner I'll do something for her...mow her yard, set up brochures on the computer, I'll even weed her flower bed...anything, absolutely anything except trying to operate that most dreadfully complicated piece of equipment...the electric sewing machine!

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HELP!! We know who they are, but we don't know WHO they are! Can someone tell us if this photo is of a Bogata school class, all of the Bogata High School, and what year this picture was taken? Pictured are, top row, left to right: Helen McAllister, Judd Ferguson Lee, Ruth Nance, Kathleen Shirey, Nanie Bell Damron Day, Tommie Tew, Juanita Lowery, Dude Ray, Quilla Rook, Elizabeth Harden, Dessie Dyer Hamilton, Mrs. Lola Tigret Banks. Second row: Jack Rodgers, Luther Calaway, Ned Miller, Aubrey Watters, Paul Hamilton, Tob King, Henry Hudson, Lee King, Alvin Wood, James Lawson, Alta Ferguson, Eula Dyer McDowell Armstrong. Third row: Willie Spier King, Leopal Wilson, Mary Stephens, Mary Ann Underwood, Gerldine Holder MaBerry, Edna Bishop, Ruth Craddock, Lois Rakes, Mildred McAllister Hignight, Lucille East, Wilma Harbison Grant, Catherine Peyton, Bethel Smith. Bottom row: Claud Harbison, Loyd Kuykendall, Rayford Bryson, Bernice Humphries Hinson, Josie Gibson, Quincy Rook, Andrew Cox and Glen Whitten.

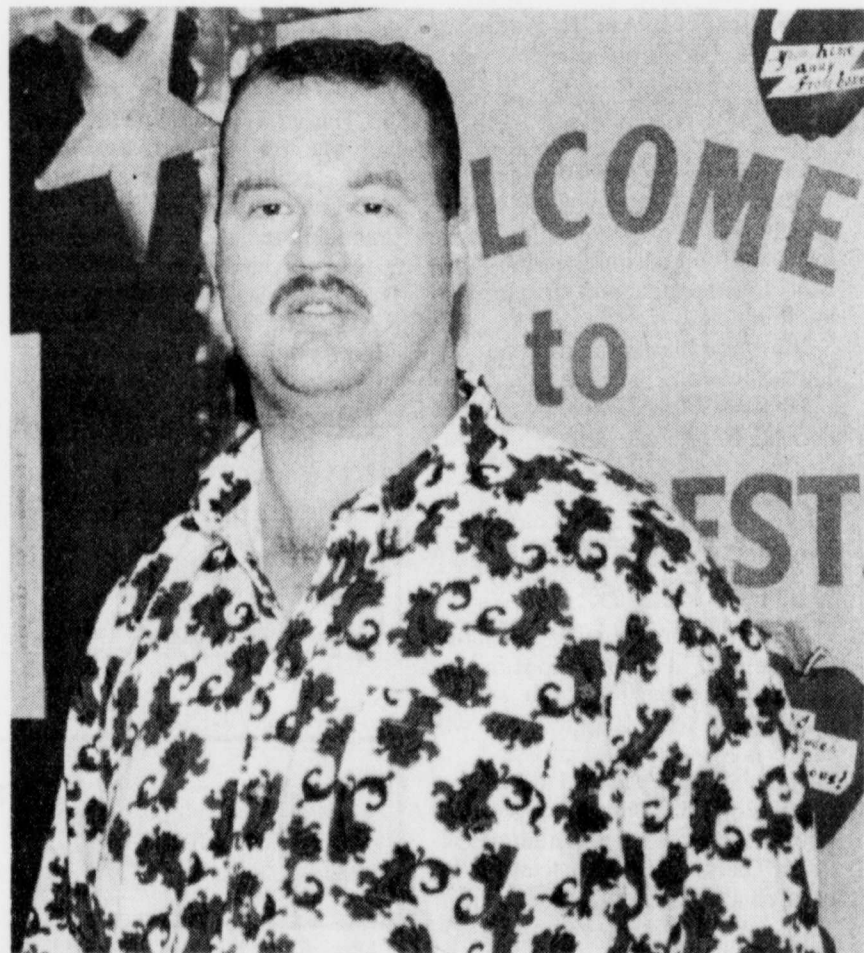
## Gillis Is Named To Dean's List

Southern Arkansas University, Magnolia, has named 333 students to Dean's List for the fall semester. To be eligible for the Dean's List, a student must be registered in 12 or more semester hours and attain a grade point average of 3.50 or above. Keitha Jo Gillis from Bogata was named to the Dean's List.

## Rivercrest students attend practice meet

On Saturday, Jan.20, several Rivercrest students went to a practice UIL meet at PJC. They competed against 1A, 2A and 3A schools. We are very proud of all who entered. The following placed in their events and received medals and ribbons: Carey Gable-third place in Persuasive Speaking, fifth place in Accounting, Susan Robinett-first

place in Headlines, fifth place in Newsriting, Mandy Williams-fifth place in Editorials and third place in Newsriting and Marla Williams-third place in Informative Speaking. The debate team of Julie Watkins and Carey Gable placed second in Cros-Examination Debate. Participants are looking forward to district UIL competition in March.



COACH OF THE YEAR- Rivercrest Head Football Coach Keith Brown was named Coach of the Year by the Red River Valley Association. He, wife Kathy and daughter Carli re-

side in Talco. Coach Brown also coaches the Lady Rebel Varsity basketball team. Congratulations on a great football year. (Staff photo Nancy Brown)

Bogata High School Homecoming  
Is April 13, 1996.  
Make plans to attend all the festivities.

## Former Rebel star having good year

Eddie Williams, former standout Rebel basketball player from Rivercrest High School, is having a very good year for Southern Arkansas University at Magnolia, AR., a Division II NCAA school. Coach Wood and some Rebel basketball players recently went to Magnolia and watched Eddie play. "We really enjoyed the game.

Eddie played all except four minutes and he was the leading scorer for his team. Our players watched as their former classmate had 18 points, 3 assists, 4 rebounds and two steals", said Coach Wood. Southern Arkansas University won the game against Mississippi College in overtime.

## Byndas announces candidacy for Constable

Ted Byndas has announced his intention to be a candidate for Constable Precinct 1, county wide. This position was created when the Commissioner's Court consolidated the Justice of the Peace and the Constable to one precinct. The duties will primarily remain the same, to serve civil process generated out of the J.P. court, and act as bailiff for that court. This service includes civil or criminal process, citations, warrants, subpoenas or writs anywhere in the county or a county contiguous to Red River County. Byndas is a high school graduate, has two years of college and is a graduate of the Police Academy in Kilgore, and has a basic and intermediate license. Since being a Constable, Byndas has taken 160 hours of civil process classes from the Texas Justice Court Training Center. TCLEOSE requires 20 hours each year.

He served in the United States Air

Force for 25 years and retired as a Senior Master Sergeant. He received four commendations and two meritorious service medals, and was a graduate of the NCO Academy and the Senior NCO Academy.

He and his wife, Kay, have three children, a daughter Sandy in Baytown, another daughter, Susan in Columbus, Ohio and a son, Doug stationed at Tinker Air Force Base, OK. He is a member of the First Baptist Church in Bogata.

Byndas retired from the service in 1979 and came to Red River County to enjoy his retirement, but was convinced by the Mayor, the late Worth Hood, and Bro. Bob Posey to take the City Marshal job in Bogata. He has a total of 11 years in law enforcement, and serves his eighth year as Constable Precinct #2.

Over this time period, Byndas feels he has gained valuable knowledge and experience that will be needed to fill this important position.

## People 'n Things

Saturday, February 17

Rosalie Community Center and Volunteer Fire Department will have a Chili and Stew Supper. 4:30 p.m. Adults \$5.00 and Children \$3.00. There will be entertainment.

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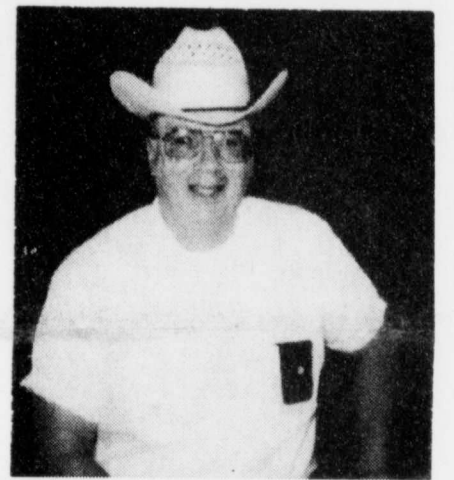
Alcoholics Anonymous meets every Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday at 8 pm in the St. Joseph's Catholic Church Rec. Room in Clarksville. Everyone is Welcome.

The Calvary Baptist Church Deacon's will hold a meeting Jan.28 at the church.

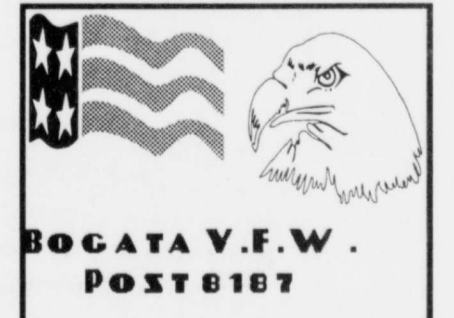
A Missions Rodeo, hot dog roast and chili supper will be held at the Calvary Baptist Church in Talco Jan.31. The Rodeo will begin at 6:00 p.m. with supper to follow at 7:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to bring your old cowboy hats and boots and attend.

The Talco-Bogata Little Dribble Basketball will begin play Saturday Jan.27 beginning at 9:00 a.m. at the Talco and Bogata gyms. Everyone is encouraged to come out and support these young players.

The Rivercrest JV girls and boys and Varsity girls and boys will travel to Prairiland Friday Jan.26. Play will begin at 4:00 p.m. Everyone is encouraged to come out and support the Lady Rebel and Rebel teams.



Ted Byndas,  
Candidate for Constable,  
Precinct 1



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

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

Letters  
To  
The  
Editor



USS Saint Paul CA 73 Association  
125 Spaulding Drive N.E.  
Atlanta, Ga. 30328

To the Editor:

The USS Saint Paul CA 73 Association will hold it's Eighth reunion September 1996 in Seattle, Washington.

The organization is trying to contact former crew members. Your help will not only be appreciated by those already located, but also by those former crew members in your area who are unaware of our present existence. For further information please contact:  
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## Lions Club Sponsors Bingo

The Bogata Lions Club sponsored Bingo at Red River Healthcare Center on January 16. Residents who won games were Katie Guess, Doris Skaggs, Alma Lowry, Jewell Simmons, Fay Gandy, Jessie Hunter, Iva Carr, George Hancock and Sheila Gibson.

Lions Club Members helping with the games were Coy coker, Travis Harbison, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Franklin, Mary Colflesh and Visitors Mr. and Mrs. Winifred Hudson of Park Hill, Oklahoma.

## Looking for Pittsburg, Texas...sorry, you need to go to Cowboy, Texas instead!

Talk about devoted Dallas Cowboys Football Fans...down the road from Talco the city of Pittsburg, Texas is changing it's name! To "Cowboys, Texas". Even though Pittsburg, Texas spells it's name without the "H" that Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania uses, the city didn't want anyone to have doubts about where their loyalty lies.

So, city leaders have changed the name of Pittsburg for Super Bowl Week to reflect the devotion to the Dallas Cowboys.

The whole thing is a "spoof" and all in good fun, of course. City manager Ned Muse said the name change is something "we're having a good time with, just something fun to do".

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# Country Cooking

By Liz Irwin

Since this is Super Bowl XXX weekend, all cooks should be allowed a day off. Just eat junk food and watch the big game with the Cowboys coming out the winner. While some folks will be anxiously awaiting the PRIZE PATROL and dreaming about what they will buy with that 10 million dollars from Ed McMahon!

So let the guys stew up a big pot of chili and kick back and relax! Ha! Ha! (Those dirty clothes will still be waiting for you right where you left them!)

This week's recipes are dedicated to CHILI! Nothing better on a winter's day! One of the main dishes of the great state of Texas! Although chili came from Mexico (real Texans know that our state was the first ones to make chili!), and that chili is a Spanish word meaning red pepper, Texans still lay claim to the dish.

Our recipes this week include Chili for a Crowd. This can be frozen or feed a really big gang of football fans. Real West Chili is one that takes you back out on the prairie after along day's working cattle, rustling cattle or whatever! Texas Chili, of course is the favorite among all Texans. Chili Beans. . . can't have chili without the beans! Chili Rice Bake, this sounds really good for a casserole and make ahead dish.

Now this next recipe is a tongue-twister. . . Chili-Cu-Etta (Chili-Barbeque-Spaghetti), it sounds very strange, but has a distinct hearty taste.

And last but not least, we have to have dessert. . . Chili Chocolate Pie. No kidding! It calls for 8 ounces Baker's chocolate. Never hurts to try something different! See you in the kitchen!

## January 25, 1996 CHILI RECIPES

**Chili for a Crowd**  
35 pounds lean meat, beef or venison  
6 pounds fat  
1 pound chili powder  
1 ounce black pepper  
3 ounces salt  
1-1/2 ounces ground cumin  
2 ounces paprika  
1 tablespoon garlic powder

Put fat in bottom of large cooker and then put lean meat on top. Simmer for 3-4 hours and add seasonings and cook 30-60 minutes longer. Stir frequently. This freezes very well.

**Real West Texas Chili**  
1/4 pound beef suet  
1 cup chopped onion  
1-1/2 teaspoon garlic  
2-1/2 pounds ground beef  
1/4 cup Gebhart's chili powder  
1 tablespoon salt  
1 pod dried hot pepper  
1 teaspoon ground cumin  
3 cups boiling water

Fry suet in large saucpan over medium heat. Remove cracklings and add onions and garlic; stirring frequently. Cook until yellow. Cook ground beef until gray. Add all other ingredients. Bring to a boil and simmer over low heat until meat is tender and flavors blend. May be chilled in pan. Cut into bricks and wrapped and frozen.

**Chili Beans**  
1 pound dry pinto beans  
1/2 pound bacon  
1 pound hamburger  
2 medium onions  
2 bell peppers  
2 cups tomato sauce  
1/2 cup brown sugar  
1/4 cup Worcestershire sauce  
1/4 cup salt  
8 ounces green chilis-chopped  
2 tablespoon granulated garlic  
2 tablespoon red chili pepper  
1 tablespoon black pepper  
1 tablespoon cumin

**Chili Rice Bake**  
1 pound ground beef  
1 cup chopped onion  
1 cup chopped bell pepper  
2 cups beef broth  
1 can tomato paste  
1 teaspoon garlic salt  
1 tablespoon chili powder  
1-1/2 cup rice-cooked  
1 cup grated cheese

Cook ground beef, onion and peppers in skillet until meat is no longer pink. Blend in broth, tomato paste and season-

ings. Simmer a few minutes. Add rice and spoon into a 2-quart casserole dish. Spread grated cheese on top and bake at 350 degrees until cheese melts.

**Chili-Cu-Etta (Chili-Barbeque-Spaghetti)**  
1 pound lean ground beef  
2 onions-chopped  
2 cloves garlic-minced  
2 beef bouillon cubes  
1 cup water  
1 cup barbeque sauce  
1 cup spaghetti sauce  
1 tablespoon chili powder  
1 teaspoon cumin salt to taste  
9 ounces long spaghetti-cooked  
2 cups uncooked pinto beans(recipe)  
3 chicken bouillon cubes  
1 clove garlic  
1 sweet onion-chopped  
8 ounces cheddar cheese

Brown ground beef, onions and garlic; drain. Dissolve bouillon cubes in water. Add bouillon, barbeque sauce, spaghetti sauce, chili powder and cumin. Cook 15 minutes on medium heat. Add salt to taste. Simmer another 30 minutes on low. If too dry, add more water.

To prepare beans, wash and soak 2 cups pinto beans overnight, or put on stove and bring to a boil. Take off burner and let set for 1 hour. Add 3 chicken bouillon cubes and 1 clove garlic. Return to stove and cook over low heat 3 hours or until done. To serve, pile on the plate the spaghetti, chili-cu-etta, beans, sweet onion and cheese. Delicious and serves 6.

**Chili Chocolate Pie**  
1/2 pound hamburger meat  
1 can Ro-Tel tomatoes with chilies  
1 teaspoon chili powder  
1 teaspoon paprika  
1 teaspoon cumin  
8 crushed soda crackers  
1/4 teaspoon salt  
1/4 teaspoon black pepper  
1/4 teaspoon oregano  
1/3 square unsweetened chocolate-grated  
2 pie shells-unbaked  
cheddar cheese-grated

Combine all ingredients and mix well. Place meat in unbaked pie shell. Cover with unbaked pie shell. Flute edges. Brush pie crust with egg white. Bake at 400 degrees for 30 minutes at least or until meat is done. Sprinkle with grated cheese on top crust. Return to oven until cheese melts.

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# Obituaries

## R.B. Davis Dies January 17

R.B. Davis, age 79 of Bogata, died January 17 in Regency Nursing Center, Clarksville.

Services were held at 10:00 a.m. Thursday, January 18 in Lindeman Chapel of Clarksville Funeral Home. Burial followed in Rosalie Cemetery.

Mr. Davis was born in Rosalie on December 28, 1916, a son of Buck and Loretta Smith Davis. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include two sisters, Nell Whitman of Clarksville and Lucille Segleski of Clarksville, and several nieces and nephews.

Bearers were Steve Segleski, Mike Segleski, Charles Segleski, Bruce Segleski and Samuel Sheffell. He was preceded in death by his wife, Doris, and two sisters.

## Billy Flenniken Dies January 17

Billy Flenniken, age 61 of Spring, formerly of Bogata, died Wednesday evening, January 17 in Villa Northwest Nursing Center, Spring.

Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday, January 20 in Wood Funeral Home Chapel, Deport with the Rev. Terry Strack officiating. Burial was in Highland Cemetery under the direction of Wood Funeral Home.

Mr. Flenniken was born March 23, 1934 in Kensing, the son of Earl and Dora Malone Flenniken. He was a retired auto salesman.

Survivors include his mother, Dora Flenniken of Bogata; three daughters, Debra Lewis of Amarillo, Renate L. Singh of Houston and Tracey L. King of Spring; two brothers, Boyce and Chester Flenniken, both of Paris; two sisters, Elizabeth Lakin of Sherryville, IN and Phebe Allen of Deport; two grandchildren, Selina Singh of Houston and Cameron King of Spring. He was preceded in death by his father in 1990 and a brother, Charles Doyle Flenniken in 1957.

Bearers were Jack Lucas, Blake Flenniken, Bryan Flenniken, Jerry Chandler, Zachery Allen and Dustin Allen.

## Joseph E. St. John Dies January 14

Joseph E. St. John, age 77, of Blossom died Sunday, January 14 in McCuiston Regional Medical Center.

Services were held at 10 a.m. Wednesday, January 17 in Gene Roden's Sons Funeral Home Chapel with Barney Owens officiating. Burial was in Knights of Honor Cemetery in Blossom.

Mr. St. John was born September 18, 1918 in Neffs, Ohio, a son of Harry and Pearl I. Yoho St. John. He married Dorothy Davenport January 25, 1947. He was a retired Air Force Senior Master Sergeant in the U.S. Air Force and was a member of the Church of Christ.

Surviving are his wife; four sons, William St. John of Paris, Kenneth St. John of Crestline, CA, Michael St. John of Blossom and James St. John of San Antonio; a daughter, Violet King of Tulsa, OK; three brothers, Harold St. John, David St. John and Marcus St. John; two sisters, Ruth Castillo and Marie Medford; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Bearers were Tim Byrd, Ewell Byrd, Eric St. John, Randy Starks, Red Weiberg and Thurman Trammell.

### Card Of Thanks

The family of **Lucy Bell Holder** would like to express our thanks to you for your acts of kindness shown during our loss. Your cards, phone calls, food, flowers, memorials and prayers were very comforting.

To Wood Funeral Home for their professional care.

To the Pallbearers, "Thank you."

To The United Methodist Church and Reverend Bob Bush for their support.

To the Jack Dodd family for your love, concern and sharing your home with us.

To Marie Carr for her loyalty.

To Bobbie and Ralph and all the staff at the nursing home for being sensitive and caring.

### Dr. and Mrs. Sam B. Holder Dr. and Mrs. Wm. R. Holder & Families

### Card Of Thanks

To each and everyone, we wish to thank you for prayers, visits, phone calls and food during the time Dixie was in the hospital and since returning home.

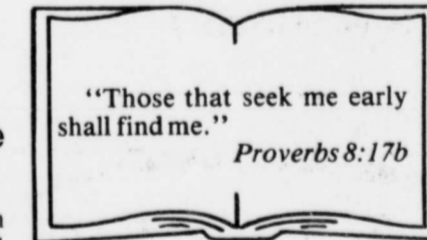
May God bless each of you.

Thanks again,  
**Jessie & Dixie Greer**

## Hunter Education Course Set For Feb. 5-8

There will be Hunter Education Course held at the Blossom School Cafeteria February 5th, 6th and 8th at 6:00 p.m. until 10 p.m. There will be a \$ 5 charge for the course.

Interested people need to preregister. 982-6893 Donny McHam, and Greg Williford, Game Warden at 737-9846. The course is open to everyone or anyone interested.



**Fulbright News**  
By Betty Rodgers  
652-6051

Mrs. Kyle King of Reno visited Jimmy King Wednesday.

Betty Rodgers and Melissa Arriaga met Monte and Shelley Rodgers in Paris Sunday evening and went bowling and ate supper at McKee's.

Mabel Austin of Clarksville, Loyd Cavender, Ethel Eps had supper Saturday night with Jimmy King and played 42.

Happy Birthday to Nancy duggers and Clovis VanDeaver and Connie Phosay.

Dick King of Paris visited his mother, Jimmy King on Wednesday night.

Harold and William Epps of Mt. Vernon visited Ethel Epps Monday.

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Many, many thanks goes out to all my friends and relatives who gave this rarest gift. There were flowers, cards, prayers, phone calls, food and the errands. They were all appreciated during my recent illness.

God bless you each and every one!

**Nancy Gresham**

# New Ground In The Bottom

By Harley Scoggins  
(Continued from last week)

Dad only went to the sixth grade in school, but the older I got I knew Dad had a lot of what he called "horse sense." Dad was a simple man who lived in a simple world. My dad wore overalls and a jumper almost all his life and wore overalls without the jumper, until he died. Dad was a sharecropper for many years and money was something he never had much of. I think if dad had made a million dollars in one year, his life still would not have changed that much. Dad may have had a newer tractor or pickup but I think that's about all. Many times I heard him wish for the good old days. I could never understand why. I think Dad always wanted to go back to the 20's and 30's when a man's word was as good as gold. Where Dad could see hard work and satisfied people, I saw only toil that most men today could not survive. Dad helped clear Sulphur Bottom for 50 cents a day. A day's work began at daylight and ended at dark. He told me that he wore coal oil soaked rags around his legs to keep chiggers off his body and many times his shoes were red as blood, with millions of chiggers. Dad told me one time he was down to his last dollar and he had worked two long days for it. Christmas was near and we did not have enough food for winter. All crops failed because the levee around Sulphur Bottom had broken and flooded all the farm land. He said he was on his way to town to try to borrow some money and he ran into some friends who were shooting dice. He prayed a silent prayer and when he had finished the game, he had \$31.00, a lot of money in those days. He went on to town and bought 100 pounds of pinto beans, 100 pounds of sugar, 25 pounds of corn meal and 20 pounds of coffee, a case of Rex jelly and had enough money left for Christmas. That was the first time I had ever heard of my dad "gambling" as he called it. However as I see it, my dad "gambled" every year on the banks of the big muddy a place called Sulphur Bottom. I can never remember when we did not have large quantities of pinto beans, flour, meal, lard, pork and potatoes. Dad always raised chickens for eggs and meat and a cow for milk. This may sound like a terrible diet today, but it carried my dad and his dad to their late 80's. I wonder, was it really that bad. The house we lived in for many years was an old box house, made from 1X12 green lumber. After the lumber shrank, between each plank 1/2" to 3/4" of pure daylight could be seen from the inside. Some cracks were patched with 1X4 and some were not. I cannot ever remember seeing a sharecropper working on a house he did not own.

There are many stories to tell. my dad never, and I mean never, let us go hungry. Each year my dad raised six hogs, killed, cured or made sausage from all the meat, rendered all fat into lard and made soap from what was left. I always loved "hog killing season" as my dad called it and

years later I begged and pleaded with my mother to let me skip school and assist my dad in rendering the fat into lard. What a frightful day! Dad repaired his tractor every few years and he washed all the engine parts in gasoline. Because there was so much oil and grease in the old gas, my dad used it to start fires, (a big mistake). This time the old gas had sat in storage for many months. I put wood around an old cast iron wash pot. I had seen my mother boil clothes in it to get the sweat of toil completely out. I started the fire, but dad was always in a hurry. He went to the storage building and got the 5 gal. can of old gas. The gas had settled and separated. He turned the gas up and started pouring it on the fire. It blazed up instantly and dad pulled back the can sucking flame into it. The can exploded and I could not see my dad for the flame. He screamed, "Son, help me". It was the first time in my life that dad had to have my help and I did not know what to do. My dad went a few steps to a chicken watering trough. As he started to move, I saw a large heavy throw rug hanging on the clothes line a few steps away. I raced for the rug as my dad knelt down and started flipping water onto his body. In a flash, I was there with the rug around his feet and legs and I choked the fire out. I do not understand how I did it to this day. I helped my dad remove his old cowboy boots and poured at least a pint or more of gas from each boot. I helped him remove his brand new overalls. As I saw his legs appear, I knew my dad was badly burned. He told me there was a bottle over the door of his bedroom and I must get it quickly. I returned and dad took off the cap, turned up the pint bottle and drank every drop at one time. It was the first time in my life that I had ever seen my dad drink whiskey. Dad said that he was OK and would not go to the doctor, but I knew he must. I called Bo Bryson crying for help. Roads were muddy, but I could depend on Bo. He loved my father too. In minutes I heard Bo coming down the road. He arrived and looked at dad. He looked straight in to my dad's eyes and said, with authority, "Uncle Homer, you are going to the doctor." Dad could not change his mind and in seconds Bo was loading dad into his car. I thank God for Bo Bryson to this day. I had saved my dad's life that day. But we rarely talked about it. Many years later as he looked at his terrible scarred legs, he said, "Son, if you had not put out that fire, I was ready to run for the pool of water, and I knew, I could never make it without burning up. I thank God and you for being there that day." Dad had a hard time giving compliments and I accepted this one with a lump in my throat and tear in each eye, as I remembered that frightful day. There were many things I wanted to remember about my dad, today, but the grief is too much, so I must quit.

(To be continued)

## Class of '54 has planning meeting

Some members of the Bogata High School Class of 1954 met Saturday afternoon, January 20, at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Claude Earl Reynolds in Sulphur Springs. The purpose of the meeting was to further the plans for Bogata High School Homecoming 1996. Virgil Hudson presided over the meeting and several important items were discussed. It was decided to have a reception in the gym directly after the homecoming, serving punch and cookies. The group wants to encour-

age all who are present at the homecoming to stay and visit after the meeting and program. The group adjourned to TaMolly's for supper. Attending the meeting were Bill and Glenda Ward of Henderson, Virgil and Mary Hudson of Blossom, Colleen Eudy of North Richland Hills, Wanda Lou Bradley of Red Oak, Gayle Haynes of Murchison, Durwood and Peggy Wims of Grand Prairie and Tommie and Glenda Corbell of Bogata. As usual, a wonderful time was had by all.



## Cunningham News

By Jane O'Neal

Call 652-6062

John and Roger Allen visited Lucy Fowler on Saturday.

Velma Cox visited Lucy Fowler on Wednesday.

Carol Dorsey spent Saturday night with Lucy Fowler.

Friday Lucy spent the day with Melanie Moore of Pattonville.

Stacy Musgrove is in Nashville, Tenn. where he will be meeting with some of the major recording companies.

Linda, Stoney and Charity Musgrove, Zarinska Musgrove, Shane Morton and David Morton of Sherman had Sunday lunch with Nelta and Johnny Musgrove.

Shane Morton and Zarinska Musgrove were honored with a wedding shower at the Abundant Life Church on Sunday afternoon.

Marie Watson had Sunday lunch for Bruce Watson and Vicki Davis.

On Monday night Marie Watson had supper for Geneva Norwood, Johnny and Nelta Musgrove, Jarvis and Brad Watson.

John and Corine Westener of Washington, Ark. spent a few days with Almer and Alma Norwood.

Conard Norwood of Katy spent last week with Almer and Alma Norwood while Alma is recuperating, she is reported much better.

L'Wanda and Pete McKnight attended a Hairdressing and Styling show in Texarkana on Sunday.

Sue and Lorette Pynes had Sunday lunch at Grandy's in Paris.

Jane O'Neal had Sunday lunch for Sue and Murray Jackson, Dwayne, Lisa, O'Neal and Weston Drinnon, Karla and Danny Smith and Andrea, Kara and Aaron Palmer.

Geneva Norwood had Sunday lunch for Billy Ray, Neva, Georjeana

and Brandon Oats, Frankie, Julie, Logan, Layton and Caleb Norwood, Scottie, Treda, Amber and Spur Norwood.

Ollie Ruth, Carl Buford and June Gutherie of Talco visited Mr. and Mrs. Norman Sain on Thursday.

Ollie Ruth Gutherie spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. Norman Sain.

Larry and Virginia Bell visited Mr. and Mrs. Norman Sain on Sunday afternoon.

Velma Cox visited Walker and Willie Devlin Sunday.

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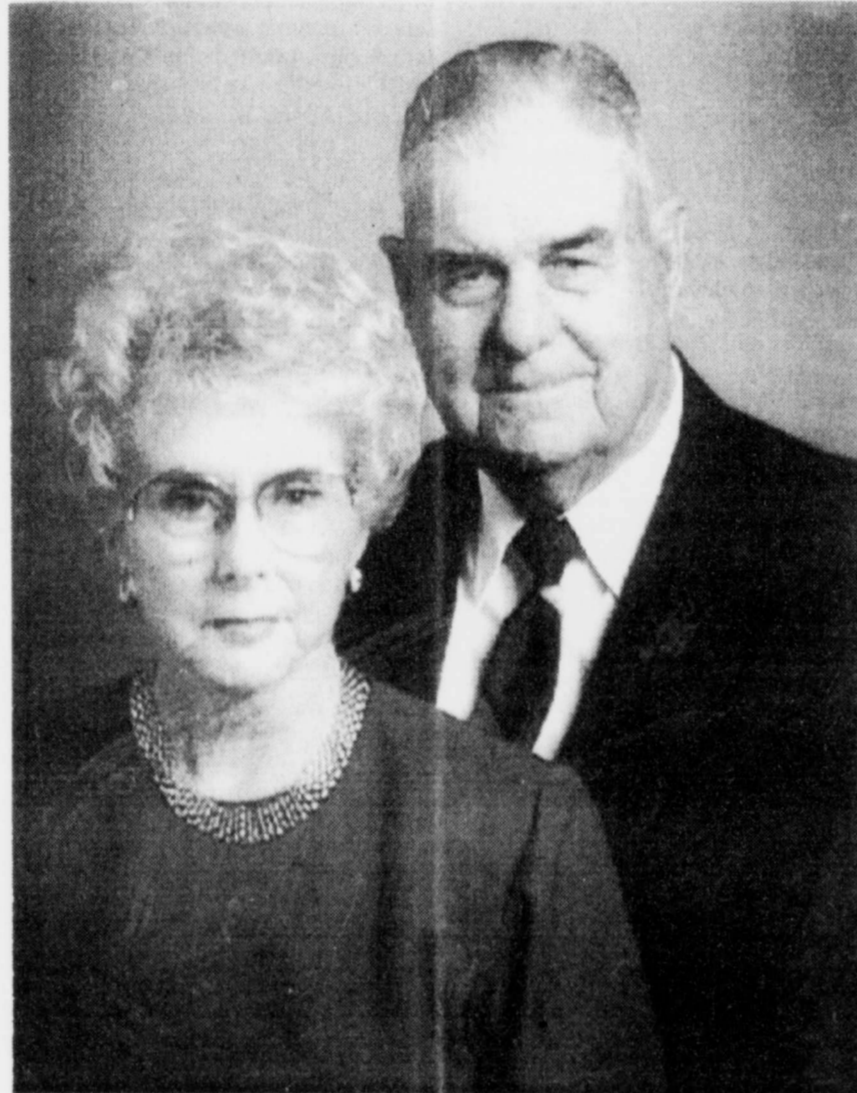
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Mr. and Mrs. Billie Joe Oats,  
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## Billie Joe & Georgia Oats to celebrate 50th anniversary

Billie Joe and Georgia Oats will be celebrating their golden wedding anniversary Sunday, February 11 with a reception at the Life Tabernacle Church in Cunningham from 2 until 4 in the afternoon.

Hosting the affair are their son and daughter-in-law, Billy Ray and Neva

Jean, grandson Brandon and granddaughter, Georjeana.

Georgia Taylor and Billie Joe Oats were married February 16, 1946 at the home of Rev. Joe Scott in Paris.

All friends and family are invited to join in the celebration. The couple requests no gifts, only your attendance.

## Services scheduled at Lake Chapel Church

The Lake Chapel House of Prayer will conduct revival this Sunday, January 28 through Friday, February 2.

Evangelist Ryan and Beth Ralston will sing and preach nightly. They graduated from Ozark Bible Institute in Neosho, MO and ministered in the Overcomers travel choir, singing and preaching in churches across the United States. Upon their graduation, Rev. Ralston served as principal/supervisor of a large Christian school in his home church in Dayton, Ohio.

The revival will begin this Sunday, with services at 10:45 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. Services Monday through Friday will begin at 7:30 p.m.

Pastor James d. Martin and the congregation extends a warm invitation to the public to attend.

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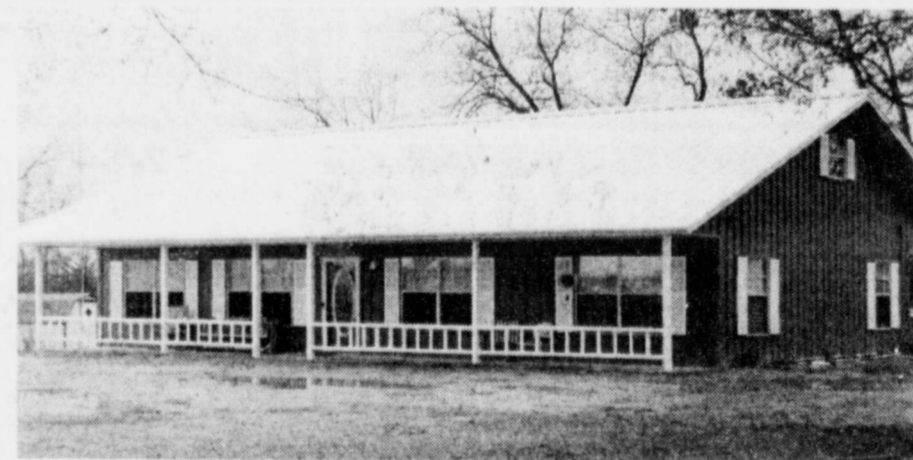
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Jan. 29	Chisum 7th, 8th Girls	Here	5:30
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Feb. 5	Como-Pickton 7th, 8th Girls	Here	5:30
Feb. 5	Como-Pickton 7th, 8th Boys	There	5:00
Feb. 12	Cooper 7th, 8th Girls	There	5:00
Feb. 12	Cooper 7th, 8th Boys	Here	5:30

Rivercrest Menu  
Jan. 29-Feb. 2, 1996



**Monday**

**Breakfast**  
Cereal  
Toast & Jelly  
Peanuts  
Juice, Milk

**Lunch**  
Burritos with Chili and Cheese  
Salad  
Corn  
Crackers  
Milk

**Tuesday**

**Breakfast**  
Cinnamon Rolls  
Peanuts  
Juice, Milk

**Lunch**  
Barbecued Rib on Bun  
Baked Beans  
Potato Chips  
Fruit Cobbler  
Milk

**Wednesday**

**Breakfast**  
Sausage & Biscuit  
Juice, Milk

**Lunch**  
Beef and Beans  
Potatoes  
Fruit  
Cornbread  
Milk

**Thursday**


**Breakfast**  
Waffles & Syrup  
Juice, Milk

**Lunch**  
Fish Nuggets  
French Fries  
Salad  
Cornbread  
Milk

**Friday**

**Breakfast**  
Cereal  
Toast & Jelly  
Juice, Milk

**Lunch**  
Hamburgers  
Seasoned Beans  
Salad  
Chips  
Ice Cream  
Milk



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BETAS-Rivercrest Beta Club members attending the State Convention in Austin Jan. 19-20

were; (left to right) Dee Tabb, Jason Sears, Elizabeth Scott and

Paty Lozoya. (Staff photo Nancy Brown)

## Rivercrest Beta Club attends convention

Four members of the Rivercrest Beta Club were among over 1300 Betas who attended the State Beta Club Convention held at the Stouffer Hotel in Austin on January 19-20. Keynote addresses were given by Sage Caldwell, State President from Leonard, whose address was entitled "What is Right", Leah Barnett, State Vice-President from Tarkington, whose address was "Paybacks", and Mande Crocker, State Secretary from Cleburne, whose address was "Moral Courage". Mr. Bob Moore of Columbia, South Carolina addressed the group during the Saturday morning session. He told Betas that champions never stop trying. He encouraged them to believe in their goals and dreams and to take the "I" off the word can. He urged them to have a goal, a plan, and a commitment and used as examples many famous people including Abraham Lincoln, Lucille Ball, Babe Ruth, Heather Blackstone and the creator of For-

mula 409.

The Rivercrest Beta Club Scrapbook was named State Runner-up and qualifies for national competition in St. Louis, Missouri in June. Editor is Dee Tabb and Assistant Editor is Elizabeth Scott. Other committee members are: Sara Stanley and Amanda Franks. The scrapbook is entitled "Catching Dreams" and uses dream catchers and other Southwest artwork throughout its seventy-two pages. Paty Lozoya placed tenth in Math Competition, Elizabeth Scott competed in Creative Writing and Jason Sears competed in Social Studies. Dee Tabb competed in the Talent Contest. She sang "Any Man of Mine". Dee, who is the Rivercrest Beta Club President, represented the club in the Parade of Clubs during the Second General Session. Sponsor, Brenda Gunter was recognized at the Sponsor's and Chaperone's Breakfast Meeting Saturday for receiving a five year sponsor pin. Members elected

1996-97 State Officers. They are Brandon Duke, President from Harmony, Jace Lane, Vice-President from Eustace and Laura Howe, Secretary from Whitewright.

Rivercrest Beta Club members attending were; Dee Tabb, Elizabeth Scott, Paty Lozoya and Jason Sears. Accompanying the group were Brenda Gunter, Sponsor, Gary VanDeaver, Principal and parent Vicki Tabb.

The National Beta Club is a leadership-service organization for students to stimulate effort, reward achievement, and to encourage and assist its members to continue their education after high school. The convention offer Betas an opportunity to develop leadership skills, to hear inspirational speeches and to compete academically with top students from across the state. Members are inducted into Beta Club based on academics as well as character, leadership and service.



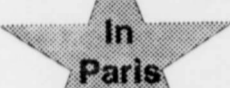
SCRAPBOOK COMMITTEE- Serving as members of the Rivercrest Beta Club Scrapbook

Committee are; (left to right) Amanda Franks, Dee Tabb-Editor, Sara Stanley and Elizabeth

Scott-Assistant Editor. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

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**SENIOR HONOR ROLL**-Students making the Rivercrest Senior honor roll for the third six weeks were: (not in order) Josh Belcher, Crystal Bell, John Davidson, Carey Gable, Callie Gaines, Chris Gentry, Jay

Hancock, Jamie Henry, Melissa Hinson, Norma Jasso, Scott Johnson, A.J. Lee, Paty Lozoya, LaQuesia Norman, Jody Ottinger, Susan Robinett, Elizabeth Scott, Dee Tabb, Juan

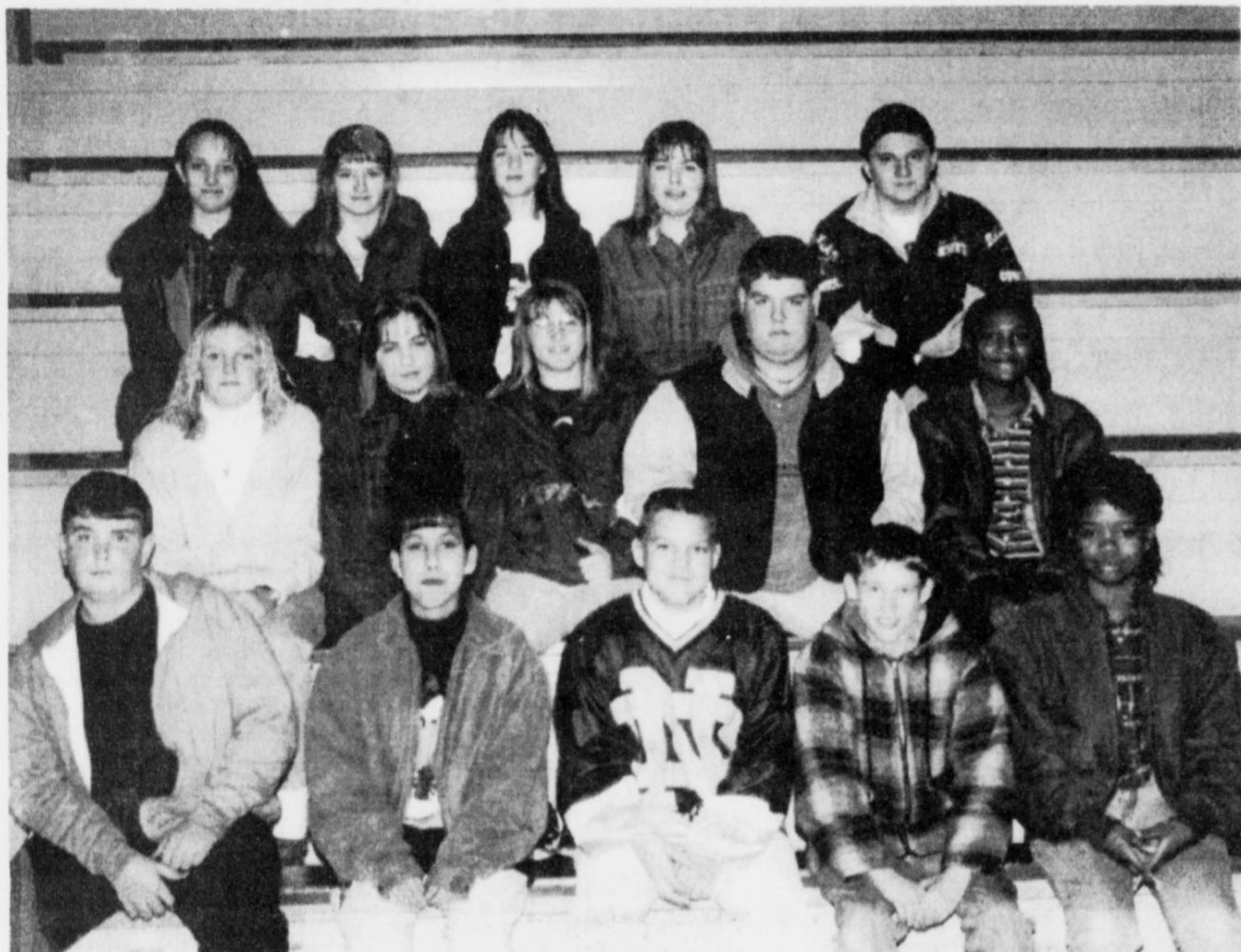
Torres, Eric Waller, Julie Watkins, Karen Williams, Mandy William and not pictured Brent Beers, Jannae Bradford, Sandie Davis, Kenda Guess and Brandi McGee. (Staff photo Nancy Brown)



**JUNIOR HONOR ROLL**-Students making the Rivercrest Junior honor roll for the third six weeks were: (not in order) Amanda Alford, Amanda

Clifton, Katie Connell, Michael Deming, Dru Denison, Clint Gage, Missy Gentry, Katherine Graf, Donna Harrison, Jeff Jackson, Erric Martin, Lindy Phillips,

Jennifer Roberts, Jason Sears, Justin Smith, Amber Spencer, Teresa Torres, Marla Williams and not pictured Tawana Sanders. (Staff photo Nancy Brown)



**FRESHMAN HONOR ROLL**-Students making the Rivercrest Freshman honor roll for the third six weeks were: (not in order)

Eric Aldridge, Dani Brown, Kim Brown, Lisa Carpenter, Katie Hare, Courtney Jones, Jeremy Jones, Tye Mankins, Lee Miller,

Andrea Palmer, Annalisa Reeves, Lisa Shirley, Joanie Swarts, Joey Taylor, Amy Watkins and not pictured Tiffany Shupp. (Staff photo Nancy Brown)



**SOPHOMORE HONOR ROLL**-Students making the Rivercrest Sophomore honor roll for the third six weeks were: (not in order) Michael Allen, Derek Belcher, Deidre Brown, Amanda Franks, Kristi Hines, Cortney Huddleston, Alan Hudson, Tabitha Martin, Latisha Miles, Jody Nolen, Maribel Prado, Sara Stanely, Dustin Wolfe and not pictured Latasha Brown, Dustin Cook, Bonnie Phillips and Kim Sheffield. (Staff photo Nancy Brown)

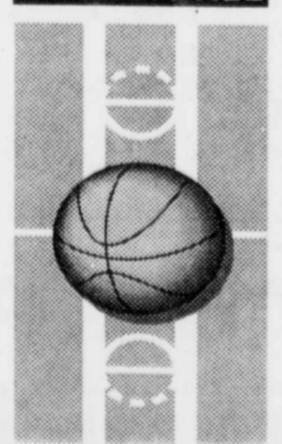


**AWARD WINNERS**-Rivercrest students attended a practice UIL meet at PJC Saturday. Placing and receiving medals or ribbons were; (left to

right) Carey Gable, Marla Williams, Mandy Williams and Susan Robinett. (Staff photo Nancy Brown)



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Visiting Oma McKinney were Merle Hughes, Roger, Connie and Brent McKinney, Tony, Terry, Julie, Amy and Clayton Watkins.

Robbie Cooper visited Maude Legate.

Pauline Hutson's visitors were Jerry Hutson, Jauvance Carpenter and Lindsey Ward.

Visiting Pauline Alsbrook were Debbie and Todd Williams, Cindy and Anna Golden, Casey Moore, Thomas Golden, Carl Wood, Mary Ann Williams, Reba Bell, Ruby Legate, Mark Jones and Doug Alsbrook.

Peggy Watts visited Opal Watts.

Visiting Dorothy Watkins were Tony Watkins, Julie Watkins, Amy Watkins, Clayton Watkins, Terry Watkins and Tammie Strother.

Barbara Smith and Stanley Smith visited Gene Smith.

Visiting Irene House were Betsy Asogha, C.W., Rhonda, Stephanie and Rita Green.

Velma Watson and Tommy Woods visited Jimmie Duffie.

Faye Gandy's visitors were Doug Alsbrook, Barney Alsbrook, Mark Jones, Ronnie Nutt, Delbert Bryant, Raymond Wright, George Hancock, Howard Potter, Linda Embrey, Lori Smith, Lawanza Barnard, Lisa Brumalow, Sharon Griffin, Gloria Barrett, Glenda Carter, Alice Perry, Evelyn Scales, Billy Scales, Ray Embrey, Larry Burns, Ralph and Bobbie Cawley.

Mary Ann Williams visited Gladys Adams.

Clara Lowe's visitors were Gerlyn Gray, Margaret Davis, Jennifer Reeder, Riley Reeder, Jessica Hines and Bess Ruthardt.

Wanda Morgan, Mildred Bennett

and Richard Swarts visited Inez Henson and Mattie Cabell.

Visiting Hazel Brown were Carl and Deann Brown, Raymon Mauldin, Ruby Dates, Sister Lon, Louise Bean, Katie Brown, Helen Harper and two granddaughters, Gwendolyn Bowen and Gladys Tucker.

Mrs. Garretson's visitors were Beverly and Bill Capel, Berenda, Don, Lea and Shelly Mewborn, Louise Bean, Katie Brown, Linda Johnson and Mindy Vann.

Irene Smith's visitors were Elaine Alford, S.J. Smith and Linda Smith.

Tex and Martha Lilly and Matthew Lewis visited Rosie Kirk.

Dollie Carroll's visitors were Lynn and Brenda Carroll.

Visiting Hattie Crabtree were Gwendolyn Bowen and Mildred Tucker.



REBEL B TEAM-Members of the Rebel B team for the 95-96 season are; (left to right) Coach Steve Weddle, Brian Scott, Cortney Huddleston, Brian

Giles, Ryan Giles, and Tim Peoples. (front row left to right) Jody Gray, Jason Freelan and Jody Nolen. (staff photo Nancy Brown)

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## Christmas in another land

By Mark Stephenson

For thirty five out of my thirty six years of life thus far, I've been fortunate to celebrate Christmas with my family regardless of where we lived: Florida, Kansas, Texas and now of course, I'm in California. The one year that we didn't celebrate the holiday together was 1981, when I lived in London, England, while earning my M.A. in Education. It was an especially hard time to be away from my family, yet, I thoroughly enjoyed the white Christmas given to England in its worst winter since the early 1900's. I remember London looking quite magical, as a thick, white coat covered the dark grim and grit of the city.

The holidays can be especially difficult when living by yourself or in another land. That's why I am so appreciative of my family and friends who I care for very much. Each one is special and has a place in my heart regardless of where I may be.

As per my usual course during the winter holidays, I traveled to Texas via the highways and byways to see my family. And seeing friends along the path brightened my spirits and reminded me how fortunate I am to have so many good people in my life.

One of those individuals that I came across in my Christmas journey was my best friend, the Reverend Bill Clark, and his wife, Jill. The Clarks live in the middle of nowhere - Midland, Texas. It is indeed another land of its own. (As is Texas - God's Country, which we native Texans

call it.) And we rejoiced and celebrated in anticipation of a new babe about to enter into their lives.

On January 11, the Clarks will fly to Los Angeles, then journey off to Hong Kong and Vietnam. And on their travels they will be looking for their newest shining star, who will enter into their lives - a newborn Vietnamese girl - waiting for her adoptive parents to arrive and take her to a different land, halfway across the world. And on the 25th, I will get a glimpse of my best friend's new daughter, as they travel back to Midland.

I see this as Christmas, just a month later. An American family is traveling to a land that the United States was in war with less than fifteen years ago, and they are adopting a child, who is different from them in many ways. What I'm most proud of in the Clarks is they're embracing the human spirit, they have looked past the numerous obstacles and barriers placed before them and have openly extended their arms of love to a child in need.

Christ would ask no less of us. Extend our arms of love to those in need. Look past the obstacles and barriers and rejoice in the birth of our Lord and for the goodness of God.

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TALCO-BOGATA JUNIOR HIGH REBELS-of the seventh grade are; (left to right back row) Coach David Murray,

Chirs Tidwell, Kyle Stansell, Keith Hines and Kerry Posey, (front row left to right) Clinton

Cheatwood, Colby Guest, Myron Ellis and Kris Hall. (staff photo Nancy Brown)



TALCO-BOGATA JUNIOR HIGH REBELS-of the eighth grade are; (left to right back row) Coach David Murray, T.J. Shirley, Sam Stanley, Paul Billingsly, Ryan Case, Coleman Brown and Cody Wolfe, (front row left to right) Brodie Belcher, Mitchell Jean, Bubba Abernathy, Bryan Cannon and Jimmy Forsyth. (staff photo Nancy Brown)

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Helen Williams and Frances Rozell were in Mount Pleasant Friday evening to attend the Braschler Music Show from Branson, Missouri at the Civic Center there.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Screws and Tana attended a seventy-first birthday celebration for Murl Roach in Deport Sunday afternoon. Others attending were Evelyn Roach, Philip and Susan Roach and Beth from Milton, John Lee and Cokie Roach and Jenny Asberry, Mike, Bren, Kara and Hali Screws all of Deport, Chris Anna, Jerry, Christopher and Jerred Guerra of Paris.

Mr. and Mrs. Winifred Hudson of Park Hill, Oklahoma spent Friday and Saturday visiting Mr. and Mrs. Dan DeBerry and Mrs. Goldie DeBerry in Idabel, Oklahoma. They spent last week visiting Sue Hudson, Betty King and Mary Hudson in Bogata and Mr. and Mrs. Virgil

Hudson in Blossom and Mrs. Lizzie Lee Wright in Deport Nursing Home.

Gilbert and Bonnie Huddleston, Ed and Loyce Huddleston and Buck and Betty Ramsey have returned home after spending three weeks at Canyon Lake Resort in Mission, Texas along with other Winter Texans (as they are called now since the word, Snowbirds, has become obsolete). While there they visited with the Eldon Chaloners in Donna and toured other points of interest.

Dr. and Mrs. E. E. Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Travis Kelsey and Carter spent the weekend in Temple. They visited Brooks Kimmey in Scott & White Hospital, attended the tap recital of Kelli Kimmey Saturday night and Sunday were present at the Christening of Andrew Dean Paysse.

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Talco School Menu  
January 29-February 2

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**Breakfast:** Cereal, toast  
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Salad  
Corn  
Crackers  
Dessert  
Milk

**Tuesday**  
**Breakfast:** Pancakes  
Fruit  
Juice, milk  
**Lunch:** Barbeque rib sandwiches  
Baked beans  
Chips  
Fruit cobbler  
Milk

**Wednesday**  
**Breakfast:** Donuts  
Juice, milk  
**Lunch:** Meat and beans  
Potatoes  
Fruit  
Cornbread  
Milk

**Thursday**  
**Breakfast:** Waffles, fruit  
Juice, milk  
**Lunch:** Fish nuggets  
French fries  
Salad  
Hush puppies  
Milk

**Friday**  
**Breakfast:** Cereal, toast  
Juice, milk  
**Lunch:** Cheeseburgers  
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Salad  
Chips  
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# Lady Rebels lose by 10 to Lady Mustangs

The Varsity Lady Rebels hosted the Chisum Lady Mustangs Jan. 16 at Rivercrest.

In first quarter action the Lady Mustangs took the first control of the ball immediately giving it back on a walking call. Lady Rebel, Jana Weatherall made the first score of the game, hitting the trey and beginning a Lady Rebel scoring drive. Kristi Hines broke the all time three point record for the Lady Rebels making four three pointers in the first quarter and adding four more throughout the game for a total of eight three pointers. Good hustle in the first quarter was seen from Freshman, Candias Nickerson. The Lady Rebel fans are getting used to stong play from Candias in every game. The quarter ended 17-14 Lady Rebs.

The second quarter was opened with a trey from Kristi Hines and scores from Jana Weatherall and Candias Nickerson but the Lady Mustangs were not ready give up and

battled the Lady Rebels throughout the quarter to end the half with a score of 29-28 Lady Mustangs.

The second half began and the Lady Rebels stayed true to form. The team is haunted with at least one really off quarter in each game. The Lady Mustangs were able to add 14 points to their score while the Lady Rebels added 11. The Lady Rebs made bad passes and the Lady Mustangs took the steals. Lady Rebel post, Karen Williams struggled throughout the first three quarters to gether game going. Score 42-39 Lady Mustangs.

The final quarter was an exciting one. Karen Williams finally was able to get into the game and scored her first two points of the game. Kristi Hines hit her eighth trey and Candias Nickerson, who was in foul trouble grabbed the Lady Rebel rebounds.

The last three minutes of the game was tough. the Lady Rebels trailed

59-53 with 1:41 left on the clock and Coach Keith Brown calling for time out. Nickerson was lost to foul trouble. Going down to the wire the Lady Rebels trailed 55-63 with :57 seconds left in regulation play. A Lady Rebel steal gave the team two chances to score but they were unsuccessful and a foul sent the Lady Mustangs to the free shot line, where they made 19 of 26 throughout the game. Final 55-66 Lady Mustangs.

Posting high score for the Lady Rebels was Kristi Hines, who also took the Lady Rebel record for three pointers in one game with eight, while scoring 30 points. Also scoring were: Jana Weatherall-10 points, Candias Nickerson-3 points, Karen Williams-8 points, Deidre Brown-2 points, and Courtney Jones-2 points.

The Lady Rebels will travel to Prairiland Friday Jan. 26. Everyone is encouraged to come out and support the team.



KRISTI HINES hit 8 three pointers in a game of the Lady Rebels vs. Chisum last Tuesday. The Lady Rebs lost to the Lady Mustangs in the contest. (Staff Photo by Nancy Brown)

# Chisum upsets Rebels in overtime

The Chisum Mustangs finally overcame the Rebels at Rebel gym in overtime last Tuesday night. The game was close throughout as a near capacity crowd watched the quick paced game.

The game was knotted at half time as each team had 25 points. The Rebels played the first half with two starters sitting out the action because of foul trouble. Alvin Savage one of the leading scorers for the Rebels played only three minutes the first half and also set out the third quarter. Erric Martin, a leading defensive player for the Rebels was also hit with three quick first quarter fouls and played the last quarter with four fouls before finally fouling out. The Rebs also ended up loosing two more

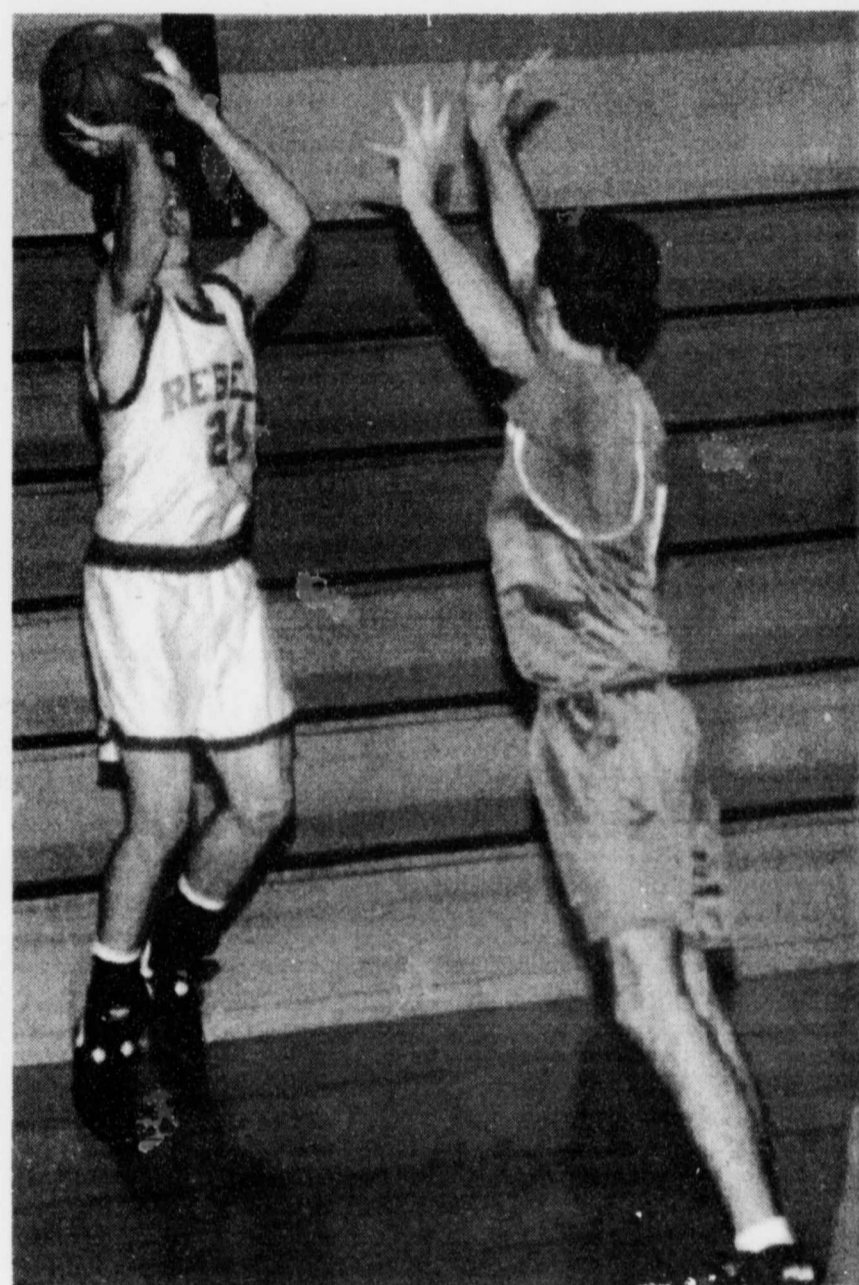
starters with fouls. Coach Wake Wood had these comments on the game.

The foul problem we experienced were the best thing that could have happened for Chisum. Jeff Savage was also sick with the flu and probably should not have been playing, but did end up with a great game. We have depth on our team, but when any team has key players in foul trouble, then it really hurts. We still had every opportunity to wins as we had a two point lead with 14 seconds left in regulation play and shooting a free shot. We could not connect and we failed to guard Chisum's Prince Sanders close enough, giving him a lay-up.

To me this was really disappointing, as we kind of let up. Overall, our

performance was not up to par. Our loss to Chisum made them immediately a better basketball team. The win by Chisum at our gym completely changes the total outlook for our district.

It almost assures Chisum of a first or second place spot since Chisum has already defeated Prairiland and Honey Grove. Furthermore, we still have to play Prairiland twice, Honey Grove and travel to Chisum not to mention going to Como-Pickton, where they are very difficult to beat. We have just got to keep our composure and beat every team now. I really feel like we will come back and win the district. It is going to be a great challenge, but I know our young men will come through.



RIVERCREST REBEL-Cortney Huddleston had a good game when teh Rebel B team took on Chisum last Tuesday and took a win. (Staff Photo by Nancy Brown)

# Lady Rebel B team win 29-26

The Lady Rebel B team hosted the Chisum Lady Mustangs Tuesday at Rebel gym.

The first quarter saw the Lady Rebs on a roll, out scoring the Lady Mustangs 13-8. Lady Rebel Katie Hare had a good quarter for the team on the defense. Lady Reb Andrea Palmer netted the three pointer plus two while Brandi Gaddis, Joanie Swarts and Maribel Pardo also added points. Dani Brown came off the bench to contribute to the team on defense and offense.

The half ended with a 22-17 Lady Rebel lead.

The third quarter was a slow one for the Lady Rebs as they were only able to add two points to their score. The Lady Mustangs worked hard to

make the comeback. Score 24-21.

In final action, Brandi Gaddis, and Andrea Palmer had a good last half for the Lady Rebels on the defense, helping to hold down the Lady Mustangs move to take the lead. The Lady Rebs shot 55% from the free shot line and held on to take the win 29-26. Posting high score for the team was Andrea Palmer with 8 points followed by Maribel Prado with 7 points. Also scoring were: Joanie Swarts-6 points, Dani Brown-3 points, Brandi Gaddis-3 points and Kati Hare-2 points.

The team coached by Kasey Busby will travel to Prairiland Friday Jan. 26. Everyone is encouraged to come out and support all Lady Rebel-Rebel teams.



KAREN WILLIAMS is on defense in this picture when the Rivercrest Lady Rebs took on the Lady Mustangs of Chisum. The Lady Rebs were unable to come out with a win in the contest. (Staff Photo by Nancy Brown)

## Red River County Sheriff's Report

January 13: Audible alarm in Bogata; criminal mischief in Bogata; male arrested on warrant, paid fine and was released; male arrested while confined in Red River County Jail on offense of criminal mischief over \$500.00, but less than \$1,500.00; inmate released on bond; inmate released after paying fines; inmate released on bond; missing person reported; reckless driving on Hwy. 37 south; accident on FM1159; major accident near Bogata; activated alarm in Bogata; male arrested on offense of driving while intoxicated, second offense.

January 18: Traffic hazard on FM2118; traffic hazard on FM44 south; accident on FM195; one arrested on offense of driving while intoxicated first offense; burglary of a building in Annona;

January 19: One transported to county jail on charge of criminal mischief; telephone harassment; assault; theft in Bogata; major accident in Avery; animal complaint on FM1159.

January 20: Family disturbance in Detroit; assault in Detroit; assault; burglary in Bogata; burglary; welfare concern in Bogata.

# Rivercrest beats Cooper

The Rivercrest Rebels still looked sluggish the first half against Cooper Friday night at Cooper. The second half saw the Rebs regain their spark, paced by the three point shooting of Alvin Savage and the inside play of Erric Martin.

Erric Martin had his season high of 22 points and 11 rebounds for his first career double/double. Savage came out of his shooting slump as he was 50 % from three point range and finished with a game high 23 points to lead all scores.

Coach Wood's comments were; I

was worried by our play the first half as we weren't jumping or moving very much. Erric Martin gave us a spark that seemed to get all our players moving and playing well. The score of 66-44 was not nearly that close as at one time we leade 64-27 and then we let up. I was really proud to see Alvin hitting his shots. I feel that we will get to going on all cylinders before this season ends.

Rivercrest was to have played Como-Pickton Tuesday and travel to Prairiland Friday in key games.

# Rebel B team top Mustangs 59-42

The Rebel B team hosted the Chisum Mustangs Tuesday Jan. 16 at Rebel gym.

For those who have not sene the young Rebel team in action, you have missed some good games.

In first quarter action the Rebs took a 18-11 lead over the Mustangs. Rebel speed kept them ahead in the race through the game on defense and on offense Brian Giles netted 8 points. Ryan Giles ripped the net for a trey plus two. Cortney Huddleston and Jody Gray also added scores.

The second quarter saw the Rebels flow up and down the court. Brian Giles hit the trey and Jody Nolen added two from three point land. Cortney Huddleston and Jason Freelan also added points. The half

time score was 30-21 Rebels.

The last half was completely controlled by the Rebels. The third quarter ended 44-31 and the last quarter saw another Rebel trey from Cortney Huddleston. The rebounds were pulled down by Tim Peoples and Jody Gray while the Rebels shooting hit it's mark. Final 59-42.

Posting high score for the Rebels was Brian Giles with 19 points. Also scoring were: Cortney Huddleston-12 points, Ryan Giles-9 points, Jody Nolen-8 points, Jody Gray-7 points and Jason Freelan-2 points.

The team will travel to Prairiland Friday Jan. 26. Everyone is encouraged to come out and support our local teams.

\*\*\* The purpose of psychology is to give us a completely different idea of the things we know best. —Paul Valéry

**Bogata School Menu**  
Jan. 29-Feb. 2, 1996

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
<b>Breakfast</b> Cereal, Toast	<b>Breakfast</b> Pancakes on a stick & Syrup	<b>Breakfast</b> Pancakes & Syrup
Jelly	Juice, milk	Juice, Milk
<b>Lunch</b> Burrito With Cheese and Chili	<b>Lunch</b> B B Q Rib Sandwiches	<b>Lunch</b> Fish Nuggets
Salad	Baked Beans	Potatoes
Corn	Fruit Crisp	Cornbread
Dessert	Milk	Salad
Crackers		Milk
Milk		
<b>Tuesday</b>		
<b>Breakfast</b>		
Sausage And Biscuit		
Juice, Milk		
<b>Lunch</b>		
Beef & Beans		
Cornbread		
Potatoes		
Fruit		
Milk		

**Thursday**

**Breakfast**  
Pancakes & Syrup  
Juice, Milk

**Lunch**  
Fish Nuggets  
Potatoes  
Cornbread  
Salad  
Milk

**Friday**

**Breakfast**  
Cereal  
Toast & Jelly  
Juice, Milk

**Lunch**  
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Salad  
Chips  
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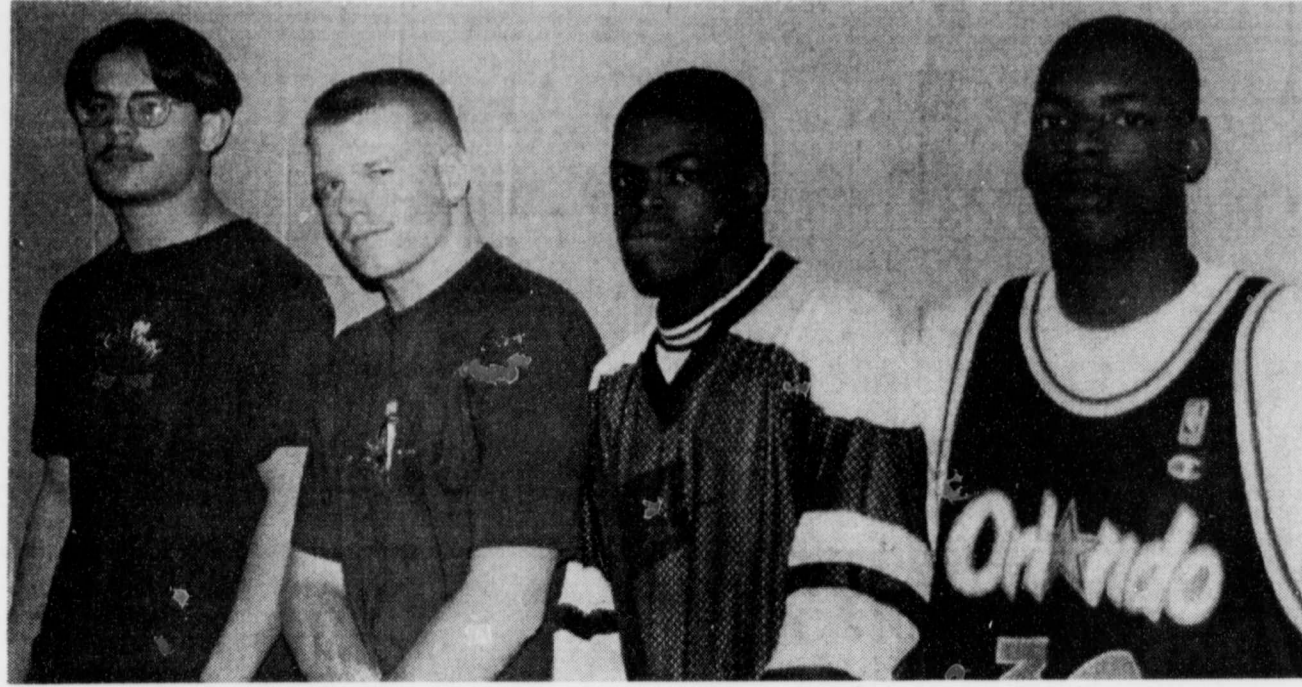
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**Savage and Wide Receiver-Junior, Alvin Savage. (staff photo Nancy Brown)**

**Boys District 18AA results**

The boys District 18AA basketball race is really beginning to take shape. The Chisum Mustangs currently lead the district through last Friday night's results. Everyone is expecting them to remain on top at least for awhile, since they had already defeated the other three top contenders.

Rivercrest and Como-Pickton were tied for second place beginning Tuesday night, but Como-Pickton was to be at Rebel gym Tuesday where they were expected to lose.

A Rebel win would give the team soul possession of second place, one game behind the Chisum Mustangs, who defeated them at Rebel gym last week by a score of 82-72 in overtime

play. Standings are: Chisum-3 wins, 0 lost and 100%, Rivercrest-2 wins, 1 lost and 67%, Como-Pickton-2 wins, 1 lost and 67%, Honey Grove-1 win, 2 lost and 33%, Prairiland 1 win, 2 lost, 33% and Cooper-0 wins, 3 lost, 0%.

Tuesday's games saw Como-Pickton at Rivercrest, Prairiland at Honey Grove, Cooper at Chisum.

Friday Jan. 26 will see Rivercrest at Prairiland, Chisum at Como-Pickton, Honey Grove at Cooper.

The big games for next week for the Rebels will be Tuesday Jan 30 Honey Grove at Rebel gym and Friday Feb. 2 Rivercrest will travel to challenge the Mustangs for their first place position.

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Jim Cupler has returned home following a recent hospital stay. He is reported doing well.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Jones spent Wednesday through Sunday camping in South Texas.

Enjoying a fish fry at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Randy Nolen, Destry and Chris Saturday night were, Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Nolen and Jody, Mr. and Mrs. Jeremy Weatherall, Jerrica and Jessica and Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Brown and Jack.

Tim Easley was honored with a birthday supper at the home of his parents Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Easley. Attending to help him celebrate were, T.J. Williams and Tommie of Kilgore, Joy Easley, Paul Wisiner, Craig and Tiffany Easley, John, Regina and Tyler Easley of Bogata and Wayne and Jelu Binion.

Amy Jolley and Elizabeth of Paris visited Mr. and Mrs. Ronny Presley

and family Saturday.

Flu season is here and the Talco School reported near 20 students out with various forms of flu and virus Monday. Everyone is urged to take possible precautions to avoid the bug.

Mr. and Mrs. Shane Wright, Alex and Jacob, Marta Rhoades and Robert Caul, Mayra Clark and Jesi visited with Mr. and Mrs. J.P. Kernan in Dallas Saturday awaiting the arrival of the Kernan's first child.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Fail were over night guests with their daughter Lisa Mercer and children in Gladewater Saturday.

Weekend guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Easley were, Tim Easley, T.J. and Tommie Easley of Kilgore.

Marta Rhoades and Robert Caul, Jesi Navia and Mona Wright visited Mr. and Mrs. J.P. Kernan and son James Paul Sunday in Dallas.



**Births**  
James Paul Kernan arrived Saturday Jan. 20, 1996 at 7:28 p.m. at Medical Center in Dallas weighing 6 lbs. 12 oz., 18 3/4 inches long. Parents are J.P. and Laura (Wright) Kernan of Dallas. Grandparents are James and Carla Kernan of Dallas and John D. and Virginia Wright of Talco.

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From a worldly point of view, there is no mistake so great as that of always being right.  
—Samuel Butler

**Johntown News**  
By Jana Hawkins 632-5174

Heather and Haley Hawkins spent the night Saturday with James and Pauline Gibbs.

Lunch guest of Mark, Jana, Haley and Heather Hawkins Sunday was Robbie Hawkins.

Freda Jean visited Kathy Riddle of

Sugar Hill Monday.

Sunday lunch guests of Bro. Calvin Permenter of Mt. Pleasant were Myra Jean, Donald, Freda, Sarah and Mitchell Jean, Darla Brunson, Holly Jean, Dana Jean and Dawn Jean.

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—Hilaire Belloc

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<b>CORN FLAKES</b> Kellogg's 24oz. Box <b>\$2.39</b>	<b>FROOT LOOPS</b> Kelloggs 15oz. Box <b>\$2.69</b>	<b>ICE CREAM</b> Oak Farms 1/2 Gal. All Flavors <b>2/\$5</b>	
<b>POTATO CHIPS</b> Lays <b>99¢</b>	<b>DORITOS CHIPS</b> Reg. \$2.99 <b>2/\$5</b>	<b>APPLE JUICE</b> Lucky Leaf 48oz. Bottle <b>\$1.69</b>	<b>CORNBREAD MIX</b> Jiffy <b>4/\$1</b>
<b>CUP CAKES</b> Hostess <b>59¢</b>	<b>Bee Bo HONEY BUNS</b> <b>3/\$1</b>	<b>BISCUITS</b> Parade <b>4/\$1</b>	
<b>TISSUE</b> CHARMIN 4 Roll Pk. <b>99¢</b>	<b>PALMOLIVE LIQUID</b> Dishwashing 22oz. <b>89¢</b>	<b>EVAPORATED MILK</b> Pet 12oz. Can <b>59¢</b>	<b>NESTLE'S CRUNCH Candy Bars</b> <b>3/\$1</b>
<b>BISQUICK</b> 40 oz. Box <b>\$2.19</b>	<b>HAMBURGER BUNS</b> County Fair 8 Pk. <b>69¢</b>	<b>BREAD</b> County Fair Lg. Loaf <b>69¢</b>	
<b>PRODUCE</b>	<b>BANANAS</b> <b>39¢ Lb.</b>	<b>POTATOES</b> <b>\$1.69 10 Lb. Bag</b>	<b>COFFEE</b> Folgers 13oz. Can All Grinds <b>\$2.29</b>
<b>COLO. PINTO BEANS</b> <b>49¢ Lb.</b>	<b>YELLOW ONIONS</b> <b>29¢ Lb.</b>	<b>GREEN ONIONS</b> <b>3/\$1</b>	<b>COKE-SPRITE</b> DIET COKE 2 Liter - Each <b>\$1.09</b>
<b>TOMATOES</b> <b>59¢ Lb.</b>			<b>COKE-SPRITE</b> DIET COKE 6 Pack Cans <b>\$1.69</b>