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Worth



By Nanalee Nichols

Having celebrated a birthday last week, I have spent some time reflecting on my life, what I've done, what I meant to do and what I haven't done.

Later, I was talking with a friend about this and they asked me "do you have lots of things you wish you'd done when you were younger and able to?"

"Oh, yes, I answered promptly, so many things I won't ever be able to do now, because of age and bad knees."

I continued explaining that I regretted I'd never tried sky diving back when we were taking flying lessons. I regret never having tried hang gliding back then, and that we didn't pursue getting our glider license either.

I regret I will never go to Africa, most likely, because of the cost and my knees, and that I'll never get to raft down the Bio Bio River in South America.

I wish we had kept our 1968, metallic blue Mustang car, and that we had tried snow skiing.

I regret not managing to control my temper better, and I regret some pretty harsh words I may have said over the years.

I regret that I have occasionally failed a friend through insensitivity, or hurt someone for the same reason.

After listing some of these regrets my friend said "I guess I meant do you regret not being able to read the newspaper or a cookbook without bifocals, or that you didn't have children?"

That led me to pondering about how few serious regrets I have. The things I regret not doing don't amount to a hill of beans! They very definitely fall into the "so What, big deal" category. And, I realized just how lucky I am for that fact.

Of course there have been lots of times when things didn't turn out as planned. Some goals have never been reached, some have but then weren't what we expected....but it doesn't really matter.

I'm going to continue to do whatever I possibly can when the opportunity comes up, and try to be a better person day by day. Hopefully, when even more years have gone by, I can reflect once more and still have only petty regrets. I hope all of you feel the same way, because I think it means we're pretty content, and that's a really good thing to be and worth more than all the money in the world!

It is a form of affectation to emphasize the fact that you do not indulge in it.

—La Rouche Foucauld

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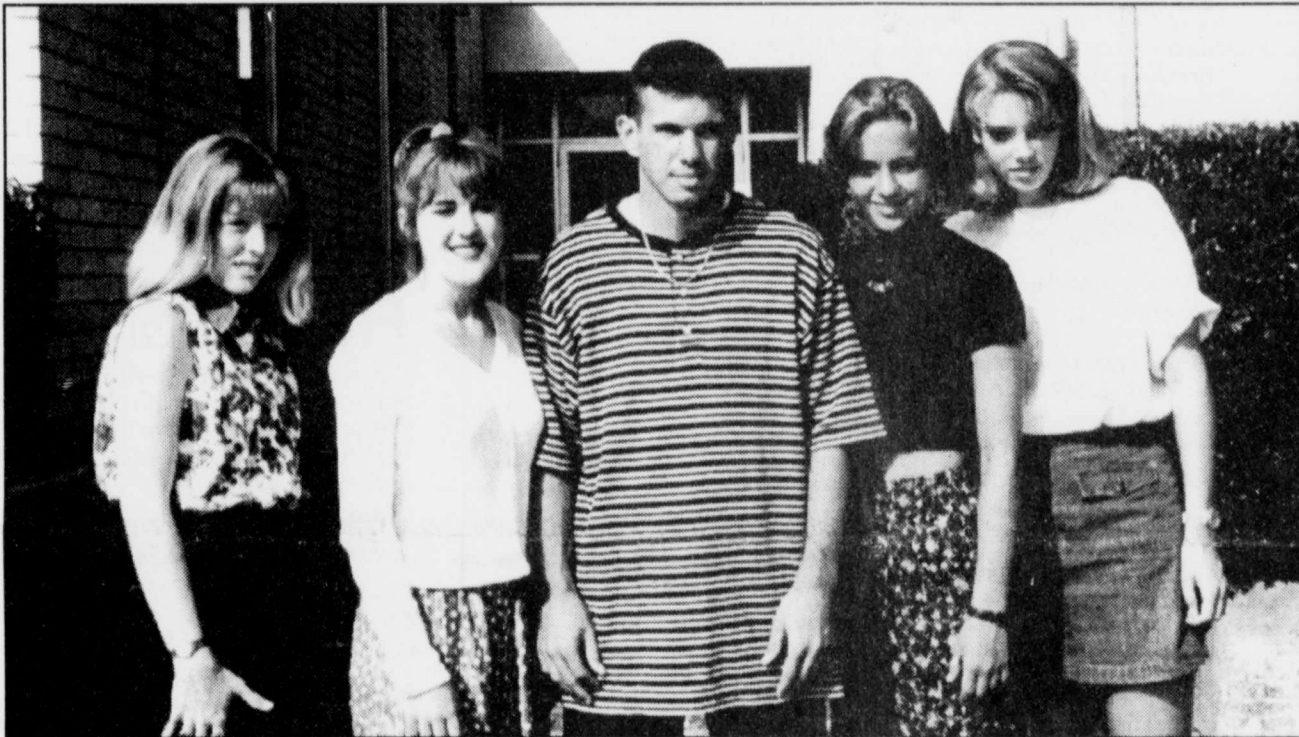
The Talco-Bogata CISD trustees heard the proposed 1996-97 budget presented by Superintendent Freddy Wade in public hearing format.

After the hearing the budget was approved. The expenditure budget was a total of \$3,858,657. Estimated revenues total \$3,658,645. The \$200,012 deficit would come from the cash surplus of the district.

Following the hearing the board acted on agenda items and approved the consensus agenda. The District Insurance Committee represented by Beth Wood and Sandra Stockton presented the board with a proposal for changes in the district Health and Hospitalization program. The proposed changes were to enter into contract with Hibbs-Hallmark Insurance of Tyler for a Co-Operative Self Funding Insurance Program. The request also included a plan to increase the district contribution from \$50 to \$85 per employee without increasing the total cost to the district. In the old plan the district paid \$50 per month for an alternate insurance program for employees not participating in the Health Insurance Program in order to qualify for 100% participation. After polling the staff who received the alternate benefits, the committee found that 36 of 44 were agreeable to giving up the benefits in order to provide a better health insurance program for the district. The Trustees approved the new plan that includes co-pay on office visits, prescription card, choice of deductible policies, yearly physical allowances and child immunization allowances.

The trustees approved the substitute list, a resolution to sell property in Talco held for non payment of taxes, Co-operative Purchasing Agreement with Region VIII ESC and the use of graduated class funds to help pay for the new marquee sign at Rivercrest. They approved policy Update 51 and Policy DCB Local and Legal and voted to enter into a suit with other school districts for release of Technology funds provided by Senate Bill 1 but not released to the schools by the Texas Education Agency.

The Board will meet again on August 29 at 8:00 pm. for the Tax Hearing.



SELLING ADS—Members of the 1996-'97 yearbook staff at Rivercrest High School have been very busy throughout the summer selling yearbook ads for the

1997 Sabre. If any business would like to place an ad in the yearbook, please call Rivercrest High School at 632-5204. Pictured are Donna Harrison,

Marla Williams, Dustin Cook, Amber Spencer and Sara Stanley. Not pictured is yearbook staff member, Deidre Brown.



REFRESHMENTS—were served to guests at the Rivercrest Lady Rebel-Rebel Booster Club sponsored "Meet the Coaches" night held Thursday Aug. 15. Pictured serving are Kay Ross, Julie Childres and RueAnna Bell. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



TALCO GIRL SCOUTS—enjoying a trip to Galveston Island Aug. 4 through Aug. 7 were; (left to right back row) Katie Smith, Kelsey Clark, Alex Wright, Melanie Smith and Jennifer Morgan; (front row left to right) Dellevee Waller, Jacob Wright, Luke Clark and Jessica Griffin. The group and their sponsors, Mayra Clark, Kathy Smith, Patsy Smith, Staci Carney and Leslie Wright toured San Jacinto State Park, Deer Park, Battleship Texas., Galveston Boat Club, Moody Gardens, IMEX Theater, Palm Beach plus swimming, collecting hermit crabs, shopping and eating at Joe's Place on the seawall. The troupe is already making plans to return next year. (staff photo Nancy Brown)



People and Things

The Talco Baseball-Softball Association will hold a **work day** at the field Saturday, Aug. 24 beginning at 9:00 a.m. Everyone is encouraged to come out and help make repairs and winterize the field.

The Rivercrest FFA students and parents will meet Aug. 27 at 7:00 p.m.

at the Ag. building. Officers elections, activities and trips will be discussed. All Ag. students and parents are encouraged to attend.

The Rivercrest Rebels will play a scrimmage football game vs James Bowie at Rebel stadium Friday

Aug. 23 beginning at 5:00 p.m. Everyone is encouraged to come out and support the Rebels as they begin the new season.

The Rivercrest Lady Rebel-Rebel Booster Club will sponsor a **hamburger supper** at the first scrimmage football game of the year Friday Aug. 23 beginning at 5:00 p.m. The cost will be \$3.00 for a hamburger, chips and drink or \$3.25 for a cheeseburger, chips and drink. Come out and support the Rebels and help the Booster Club provide scholarships for this year's seniors.

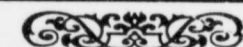


NEW AIDE—Mary Henley is Talco School's newest instructional aide. She is a Green Thumb employee and has had previous training at Corpnew Elementary in Mt. Pleasant. She is assisting Mrs. Pam Martin in the new content mastery center. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Calvary Youth I take trip to Arkansas

The Talco Calvary Baptist Church Youth I class and sponsors traveled to Eureka Springs, Arkansas Aug. 5 through Aug. 7.

The group enjoyed the Passion Play, a Holy Land tour and many other sights and shopping while there. Attending were sponsors, Karen Jones, Steve and Mary Hall, Nancy Brooks and Michael Hall. Students attending were; Susan Hearron, Lois and Glenna Waldrum, Chase Sloan, Dustin Rector, Kevin Bass and Ray Southerland.



EDITOR'S QUOTES

Every year of my life I grow more convinced that it is wise and best to fix our attention on the beautiful and the good, and dwell as little as possible on the veil and the false.

Cecil

Excellence in action

Talco School has been busily preparing for an exciting new school year.

Teachers from the Junior High and Elementary are teaming up for team teaching in Math and Language Arts. A "Winners Circle" or Content Mastery Center is being initiated at the third grade level. This center is going to be used for Mastery of Math Skills at the elementary level.

Teachers are also being teamed at

the elementary and secondary levels. These teams are called BEST teams which stands for Behavioral and Educational Support Team. Each team will serve as an intervention team for students with problems in academics or discipline.

Talco School has a new attitude and they are fully committed to excellence.

Talco PTO holds first meeting of the year

The Talco PTO held its first meeting of the year at the school Monday Aug. 19 at 7:00 p.m.

President, Elodia Grissom called the meeting to order. Leslie Wright, Treasurer reported just over \$1900.00 in the groups account. Old minutes were read by Secretary, Kristi Clemmons.

Under new business, the group set the date of Oct. 26 for the Talco Fall Festival. Permission slips will go out to students on Sept. 3 and must be returned before Sept. 6 in order to participate in the coronation. Election of the princess and prince from each class will be held on Sept. 6.

Committee chairman for the different events were elected. They are; Gym-Mayra Clark, Leslie Wright, Tina Nolen, Patsy Smith and Melinda Rector; Coronation—Kristi Clem-

mons, Marta Rhoades, Pam Fenner, Terri Easterling and Jeannie Huffman; Cafeteria—Nancy Brown, Karen Jones, Pat Forsyth and Shelia Wright; Advertising—Marta Rhoades, Bobbie Price and Patsy Smith.

The group discussed the juke box which has been donated for use in the school cafeteria by Lisa and Randy Carroll. It will provide music at lunch time.

The incentive was won by the eighth grade class, who had the most representatives present. \$5.00 will be added to the class account. A membership drive will be held September 23 through October 4. The class with the largest percent of members will be given a party.

All fall festival committees were asked to contact PTO president, Elodia Grissom at 379-6701 or Vice-President, Mayra Clark at 379-9645

to keep the group up to date or handle any problems they may have. Workers for the festival are desperately needed. If you would like to help in any area or be on any committee please contact Elodia Grissom, Mayra Clark or call the Talco School. Approximately 40 attended. Shelly Hollis was the baby sitter for the evening. The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

The next meeting was set for Sept. 3 at 7:00 p.m. at the school cafeteria. All parents and community members are encouraged to attend and help provide the little extras for the Talco School students..

Rosalie Lodge #527 to sponsor basketball tournament

Rosalie Lodge #527 will hold a 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament August 24 at 9:00 a.m. at the Bogata Junior High Gym.

The tournament is for ages 12 and up. Cost per player is \$10.00 and cost per team is \$30.00.

Please contact Mark Hawkins at 632-5174 for more information. Winners will receive T shirts.

The Rosalie Lodge is not responsible for accidents.

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ELOISE SPARKS is pictured here with Deport principal Larry Salter as he presents her with her copy of the Deport Faculty Cookbook. The book was given to her as an expression of thanks and appreciation for her many years of service. (Staff Photo)

Country Cooking

By Liz Irwin

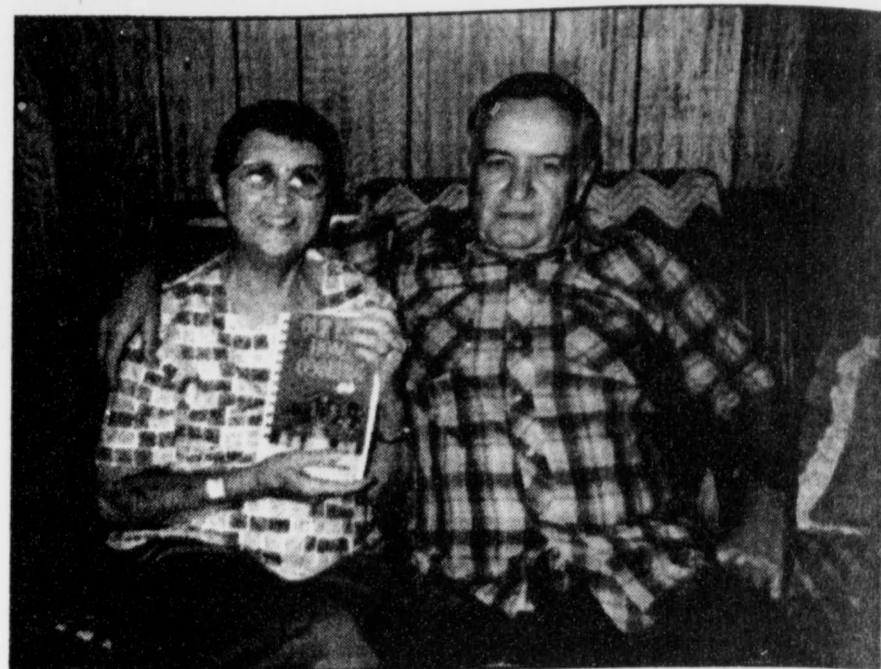
This week's cooks are the Deport Faculty. They have put together a very special cookbook for some very special people. A special expression of thanks and gratitude were included in the book to Elois Sparks of Deport. She is a teacher on the staff at Deport and has been in the system for 37 years. The book is dedicated to Billie Mack Foster, also of Deport who is a retired cook from the campus. You can tell that there is much love for these two people from the folks on the campus.

The books may be purchased from Guaranty Bank of Deport, Deport Variety Store, Allen's Food Mart, Deport Times and the Deport School Library for \$8.00. All monies made from the sale will go into the Deport Library Fund. Also included is a free cookie cookbook.

It was hard to choose recipes from the cookbook, they all sound so good. So I decided to choose one from each category. Stacy Huddleston's Tortilla Roll-ups are delicious. These are great for snacks and dips. Lila Screws submitted her Fresh Broccoli Salad and Terry Cavender gave her Fried Rice recipe. Mom's Hush Puppies are one of Lisa Martin's favorite recipes, while Doris Jackson shares her Strawberry Pie. Always looking for some chocolate, I found Amy Watson's Microwave Fudge recipe.

There are also handy guides included with some great tips and shortcuts. Also included are some coupons for saving a few dollars, the next time you go shopping!

We hope you enjoy this and we will see you in the kitchen!



BILLIE MACK AND Marlin Foster show Billie's copy of the Deport Faculty Cookbook that was dedicated to her recently for her many years of service as a cook on the Deport campus. (Staff Photo)

Nowadays people know the price of everything and the value of nothing.
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Stacy Huddleston

flour tortillas
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1 package cream cheese
picante sauce totaste
green onion-chopped
jalapeno pepper-chopped
garlic powder to taste

Soften cream cheese to room temperature. Mix all ingredients well. Spread onto flour tortillas. Roll up and secure with a toothpick. Refrigerate for 30 minutes and slice into rolls. Serve with additional picante sauce.

Fresh Broccoli Salad
Lila Screw

2 heads broccoli
1 cup seedless grapes
1-1/2 cups purple onion
10-15 slices bacon
1/2 cup hulled sunflower seeds

Dressing:
3 tablespoons red wine vinegar
1 cup mayonnaise
1/2 cups sugar

Chop broccoli, grapes and onions; fry bacon crisp and crumble. Add sunflower seeds and toss. Pour dressing over broccoli mixture. Toss well.

Fried Rice
Terry Cavender

8 slices bacon
1/4 cup sliced green onions
1/4 cup green pepper cut into thin strips
2 tablespoons chopped parsley
3 cups cold cooked rice
2 tablespoons soy sauce
1/8 teaspoon pepper
2 beaten eggs

In 10-inch skillet over medium heat, fry bacon until crisp. Remove to paper towels to drain; crumble and set aside. Spoon off all but 2 tablespoons drippings. In bacon drippings, cook onions, green pepper and parsley until tender-crisp. Stir in rice, soy and pepper. Heat through. Make a well in center of rice mixture. Pour beaten eggs into mixture and as eggs begin to set, stir lightly with fork so uncoked eggs flow to bottom. Cook until set, but still moist. Gently stir to mix all ingredients in skillet. Stir in reserved bacon

Mom's Hush Puppies
Lisa Martin

1/2 cup flour
1 cup meal
1 teaspoon salt
2 teaspoon baking powder
2 tablespoon sugar
1/4 teaspoon garlic
1 egg
1 onion-chopped fine

Mix all ingredients together. Add enough boiling water to make a firm dough. Drop by spoonfuls into hot shortening and fry until brown.

Strawberry Pie
Doris Jackson

1 cup sugar
3 tablespoon cornstarch
10 ounce 7-up
3 cups fresh strawberries

Stir sugar and cornstarch well. Add 7up; cook until thick. Take from stove and let cool. Add strawberries. When completely cool, pour into baked pie shell. Top with whipped cream or Cool Whip. Refrigerate.

Microwave Fudge
Amy Watson

1 pound box powdered sugar
1/2 cup cocoa
1 stick margarine
1/4 cup milk
1 teaspoon vanilla

Sift together sugar and cocoa; add margarine and zap in microwave for 2 minutes. Add milk and vanilla. Stir well and pour into a buttered dish. Put in freezer for 20 minutes to set.

Fulbright News

By Betty Rodgers
652-6051

Monte and Shelby Rogers of Tigertown has supper Sat. night with Betty Rodgers.

Visitors of Ethel Epps were William and Tonya and children, Loren and Dalton of Mt. Vernon and Clint and Dana Tabb of bogata.

Mrs. Jimmy King spent Thursday with Mrs. Kyle King of Reno.

Kay Osburn of Hillsboro visited her mother, Jimmy King, Friday thru Sunday. They ate in Paris Saturday afternoon and then went out to Pat Mayes Lake and visited with Duane and Bobby King.

Visitors of Worth and Karen Baker were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Fielding of Tyler, Mrs. Jim Williams of Commerce and Mrs. Hoyt Howland of Clarksville.

Don Crump and friend, Andy, visited Preston and Marla recently, looking for equipment needed to use on a ranch near Frankston, Tx, where he is foreman.

J.D., K'Tina and girls, Cheyenne and Bailey of Cuthand, have been at the Crumps several times lately.

Everyone is taking advantage of the good weather to get as much hay in as possible.

School has started so be on the look-out for buses stopping and children crossing the road.

Preston broke out the back glass of Marla's car-again-while mowing the yard. He quickly had it replaced.

Everyone should put on their thinking caps and get some items ready to enter at the Clarksville Fair this year. Fulbright has some talented citizens in many classifications who should be proud of their talent and be rewarded and recognized.

Reception to honor Lindseys

Pat. W. and Billie Scoggins Lindsey will be honored with a reception on September 1, 1996 for their golden wedding anniversary from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. at the Life Tabernacle Church in Cunningham.

The event will be hosted by their children, Patricia Edmunds and Priscilla Lindsey.

All friends and relatives are invited to share this special event with the Lindsey family.

Seventy-one graduate from PJC vocational nursing school

Seventy-one students from North-east Texas and Southeast Oklahoma were awarded diplomas in Vocational Nursing during graduation exercises at Paris Junior college last Wednesday. Receiving awards for perfect attendance from the Paris campus class were Vickie Thompson, Paris, Diane Woodall, Pattonville, and Jamie Fox, Clarksville.

Other awards presented included the Hopkins-Nicholas Award presented to Diane Woodall of Pattonville, who attended the Paris campus.

Graduates from our area included; Callie Delana Gaddy, Tina K. Gooding, Nancy Hopkins Dates and Crystal Diane Pilip of Blossom, Anita Vickers Nieto, Millissa Kathlina Sartor and Teresa Ann White of Bogata, Gala L. Francis of Deport, Patricia Diane Woodall of Pattonville.

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Carmichael-Matlock engagement announced

Robert and Jessie Carmichael of Brooklyn, Iowa, announce the engagement and upcoming marriage of their daughter, Nicole Leigh, to Brian Christopher Matlock, son of Jay and Judy Matlock of Blue Grass, Iowa. The couple plans an evening wedding on September 28 at the First Unitarian Church in Des Moines, Iowa.

The bride is a 1992 graduate of BGM High School. She has attended the University of Northern Iowa and currently attends Iowa State University where she is majoring in busi-

ness management and accounting. Nicole works in Des Moines at Blue Cross Blue Shield of Iowa as an audit specialist.

Brian is a 1990 graduate of Davenport West High School and a 1995 graduate of the University of Northern Iowa where he earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in geology. The groom is the operations manager of Demma Fruit Company in Des Moines.

The maternal grandparents of the bride are Ennis and Nettie Moore of Bogata.



Mr. and Mrs. Ken Harrison

Perrin-Harrison exchange vows

Cynthia Parker Perrin and Ken Harrison, both of Mt. Vernon, exchanged wedding vows at 5:00 p.m. on Monday, July 29.

The ceremony was held at Paradise Wedding Chapel in the mountains of Lake Tahoe, CA.

Hahn Knutsen, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. Dave Knutsen, brother-in-law, was best man.

A wedding dinner followed at Friday's Station, overlooking Lake Tahoe.



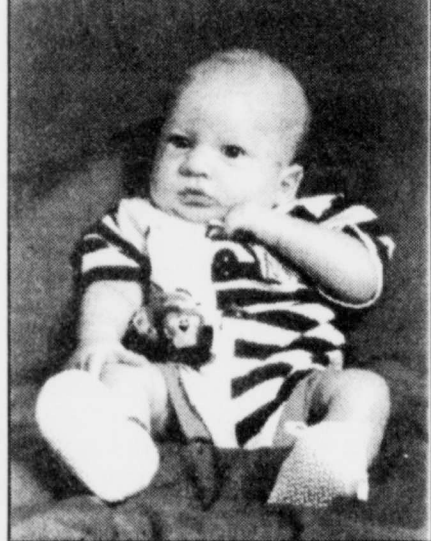
Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Fail

Fails to celebrate twenty-five years

Ann and Lynn Fail of Talco will celebrate their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary at the Talco Calvary Baptist Church from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

The celebration will be hosted by their children, Alisa Beard of Kilgore and Victor Fail of Farmersville, L.A.

and all of their grandchildren. Ann is the daughter of the late R.D. and Cleyon Crowston of Hagansport. Lynn is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J.C. Fail of Talco. All friends and relatives are invited to share this special day with the Fail family.



Daniel and Tina Strain of Deport are proud to announce the birth of their son, **Colton Daniel**, born June 13, 1996 weighing 7 lbs. and 2 ozs. and was 19 1/2 inches long. Grandparents are Ronnie and Nelda Bailey of Deport and James and Sarah Strain of Reno. Great-grandparents are Clarence and Robbie Wright of Bogata and Xenna Watkins of Ralls, Texas.

Randy and Lorry Randolph of Bogata announce the birth of their son, **Reed Joseph Randolph**. He was born August 15, 1996, weighing 7 pounds; 12 ounces and with a length of 20 inches.

Grandparents of the new arrival are L.R. Randolph of Paris and the late Billie Adams Randolph and Pete and Cristelle McGee of Talco.

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Births

Chance Hailee Williams, daughter of Bobby John and Dawn Williams, wishes to announce the arrival of her new baby brother, Chase Hunter Williams, who was born August 5, 1996. He weighed 7 pounds and was 15 1/2 inches long.

Grandparents are Bobby Lee Williams and Linda Williams both of Alabama, Tom and Sue Jaworowski, of Montgomery. Great Grandparents are Josephine Jaworowski of Montgomery, Magdaline Hansford of Alta, Florida, Johnny and Willie Mae Topping of Bogata and the late D.C. and Dorothy Williams.

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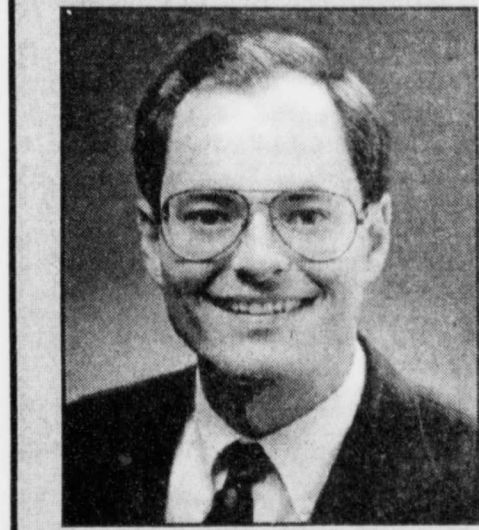
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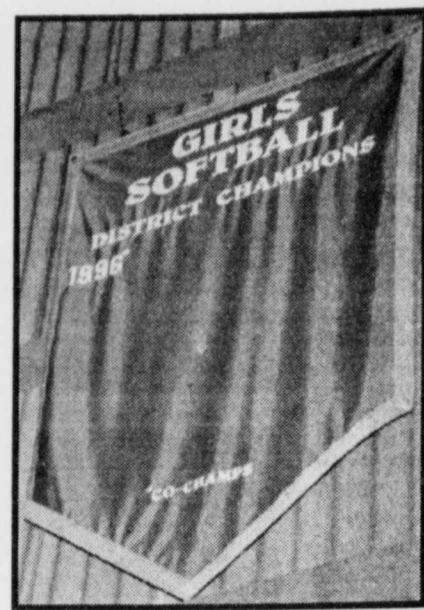
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WELCOME PARTY- A welcoming party was given for Lauren Robertson after church on Sunday, July 28, at the home of LaTonya Bell. Activities included swimming, volley ball, washers and horse shoes. Some of the girls enjoyed mudding on the four wheeler while some of the boys got a kick out of smearing watermelon in the girls' hair. Lauren is the daughter of Reverend and Mrs. Park Robertson. Her sister Lindsey is

attending school in Bogata. Those attending the party other than the guest of honor and the hostess were: Courtney Huddleston, Jody Gray, Allen Hudson, Derek Belcher, Clint Gage, Jerad Guest, Jason Sears, Jason Giles, Ryan Giles, Bryan Giles, John Ross, Brandon Bell, Crystal Bell, Tasha Brown, Mallory Chaloner, Chris Gentry, Brooke Belcher, Andrea Palmer, Dani Brown, Katie Hare, Joanie Swartz, Erric Martin, Jana Weatherall, A.J. Lee, Melanie Strawn and Jarrod Miller.



LADY REBEL PROUD-The first Lady Rebel softball district banner has been hung in the Rivercrest gym. Coach Keith Brown and the Lady Rebel team are very proud of this first ever district softball honor. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



Misty Taylor

Misty Taylor receives scholarships

Misty Taylor of Bogata has received scholarships with a total amounting to a possible \$1000.00 for the 1996-'97 School terms at Texas A&M - Commerce.

She received a Phi Theta Kappa Academic Scholarship as well as a Transfer Academic Scholarship from the college (formerly East Texas State University) in the amount of \$250.00 each for the 1996 fall semester. If she attains a 3.0 grade point average, with a minimum of twelve semester hours, the scholarships will continue in the spring semester of 1997 in the amount of \$250.00 each for a total of \$1000.00 for the two semesters of the '96-'97 school year.

With a maintenance of a 3.0 grade point average, and continuing on a full academic load, the scholarships will be renewable for the following year.

Misty is the daughter of Pete and Lillian Taylor of Bogata. She is a graduate of Rivercrest High School and Paris Junior College. She will be a Junior at Texas A&M - Commerce in the fall. Majoring in Interdisciplinary Studies, Misty has a specialization in Reading and will be a candidate for graduation in December 1997.

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Oma McKinney's visitors were Travis and Garvis Haley, Ercelle Gooding and Gail McKinney.

Rossie Porterfield's visitors were Jean Lindsey, Bonnie Dickson, Connie Brown and Melissa Smith.

Visiting Iva Carr were Lou Ada Franklin, Lucille Moore, Raymon Mauldin, Johnny and Viola Coggins, Louise Bean, Seabron and Sylvia Coggins and Bill and Marie Carr.

Mary Ann Williams, Todd Williams, Nadine Gore and JoAnn Williams visited Barney Alsbrook.

Louise Bean visited Jewel Rowe. Louise Bean visited Dorothy Watkins.

Visiting Opal Watts were Louise

Bean and Dale and Peggy Watts.

Letha Brown visited Ocola Morris.

Louise Bean visited Vera Grogan. Visiting Gene Smith were Connie Finsher, Carron Herring, Stanley Smith, Mary Cox and Virgie and Martha Masjill.

Donovan Strain's visitors were Louise Bean, Peggy Strain and Inez Gill.

Jimmie Duffie's visitors were Alice Martin, Gwendolyn Bowen, Darlene Foster and Carlus Potter.

Carl Wood visited Paul Wood. Betsy Brown and Sonny Gamble visited Bonnie Gamble.

Mamie Kennedy's visitors were Barbara Hollman, Gaylon and Maxine McGill, Martha Sharp and Robert Kennedy.

Visiting Jettie Minshew were John Latimer, Margie Garrett, Jim G. Garrett, Carl Wood and Zelma Mauldin.

Ina Ward visited Pauline Hutson. Tony Watkins visited Mary Brown.

Gerlyn Gray and Margaret Davis visited Clara Lowe.

Visiting Gladys Garretson and Hazel Brown were Linda Smith, Delbert Harper, Louise Bean and Carl and Dian Brown.

Gladys Prater's visitors were Brother Park Robertson, Louise Bean, Jerry Allums, Margaret Prater, Mildred Allums, Jean Moore, Margie Lamaster and James and Margaret Prater.

Lynn Kerley's visitors were Arol Kerley, Opal Kerley and Linda Taylor.

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Harper-Kuhl united in marriage

Michelle Harper and Chad Kuhl were united in a double ring ceremony Saturday, Aug. 17, 1996 in Snyder, Texas. Uniting the couple was Dr. Marty Akins.

Michelle is the daughter of John and Nell Harper of Snyder.

Chad is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Kuhl of Snyder. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Linden Horn of Talco and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Stevens of Jolintown. He is the great grandson of Mrs. Ruby Horn of Talco.

The ceremony was performed under a gazebo at the Wagon Wheel Ranch in Snyder. An isle marked with white tulle and iridescent bows led to the gazebo which had been decorated with English ivy, white tea roses, white tulle and iridescent bows. Cousin of the groom, Callie Howard served as flower girl preceding the bride with pink and white rose petals.

The bride was escorted to the altar by her sons, Chris Sorroles and Kasey Crop. She wore a tea length, off the shoulder, white dress trimmed in corinthian lace. Her bouquet was made of pink and white roses and English ivy.

Serving the bride as maid of honor was Amy Hodges of Snyder, who wore a pink tea length satin dress. She carried two pink roses trimmed with pink ribbons.

The groom wore tan slacks and a

two tone jacket.

Serving as best man was Barry Gage of Lubbock, who wore tan slacks and white shirt.

Soloist was uncle of the groom, Joe Dan Kuhl of Mt. Vernon.

Serving as ushers were nephews of the bride, James Jordan and David Jordan.

A reception was held following the ceremony. The guest register held pictures of the bride and groom, guest book and quill pen with a pink plume. The bible centering the table belonged to the groom's grandfather, the late Irving Horn. It was held open with stems of pink and white roses decorated with pink and white ribbons. Attending the guest book were sister of the groom, Kristin Kuhl and cousin of the groom, Ashley Mannings.

The brides table was covered with a pink satin cloth overlaid with white tulle. Iridescent bows with pink streamers held a drape of white tulle at the table corners and was centered in front with double crocheted white hearts hanging from pink ribbons. The table was centered with a three tier wedding cake accented with pink and white flowers and greenery. Pink and white mints in the shape of hearts in crystal dishes balanced each side of the cake. A crystal punch bowl and long stemmed glasses were used

to serve pink lemonade punch. Serving at the brides table were; aunt of the groom, Trish Kuhl and friend of the groom, Susan Gage.

The grooms table was covered with a tan cloth with a white tulle overlay.

The corners were decorated with a drape of white tulle and white streamers. One corner held a rope, the other a western hat. The table was centered in front with a real wagon wheel. The table was centered with a chocolate two layer cake. The top layer was cut into the shape of a hat. Sliced strawberries made a hat band and chocolate dipped strawberries cascaded down the front of the cake. A crystal tray filled with kiwi was placed on one end. Mints in the shape of wagon wheels boots and hats balanced each side of the cake. A crystal tray held chocolate dipped strawberries and pink lemonade was served from a tin pitcher. Serving at the grooms table were; friends of the groom; Tina Nolen and Sue Nolen.

Handing out fans inscribed with Chad and Michelle and passing out rice bags were cousin of the groom, Maria Kuhl, nieces of the bride, Temi Thompson and Jacki Thompson and niece of the bride, Katie Harper.

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Billie and Mary Ann Welch of Blossom visited Chrystine Baker Wednesday. The went to Clarksville to Regency Nursing Center to visit their mother and grandmother, Ruby Corbell.

Bill, Carol, Casey and James Baker of Athens visited Chrystine Baker Saturday. They all visited Ruby Corbell, Susie and Betty Parker and Paul Baker in Clarksville.

Judy and Tana Screws attended the wedding of Beth Ann Roach and Corey Spray at First Baptist Church in Deport Saturday night.

Chrystine Baker had a phone call from Bo and Peggy Yale of Fort Worth. Peggy had knee surgery at Temple Friday and is doing well.

Friday afternoon and Friday night visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Screws and Tana were Chris Anna, Christopher and Jerred Guerra of Paris and Kara and Hali Screws of Deport. Christopher and Jerred stayed the night. Saturday Kara and Hali came back and stayed all day. Chris and Jerry Guerra were in Dallas and Ar-

lington all day Saturday and came back late Saturday evening to pick up the boys and have dinner. Also visiting briefly were Mike, Lila and Bren Screws.

Randy Corbell of Commerce spent last week visiting with Tommie and Glenda Corbell and Sammy Joe and Carol Ward. He returned Saturday to Commerce where he is attending College.

Linda Hodges, Beulah Fleming and Doris Hervey enjoyed eating at TaMolly's on Friday.

Glen and Mary East visited Beulah Fleming and Linda Hodges last Wednesday and had lunch at Rosalie.

Bud and Juanita (Hervey) Upchurch from Bisbee, Arizona visited Beulah Fleming, Linda Hodges, Opal Lee Conway and other relatives. They were here for the Hervey Reunion.

Jonnie Kyle, Beulah Fleming and Linda Hodges shopped in Paris and ate at the Golden Corral.

Visiting Johnny and Willie Mae Topping over the week end were Mr. and Mrs. James A. Watts from

Rockwall.

Mr. and Mrs. Murl Roach of Deport visited Mr. and Mrs. Donald Screws and Tana last Wednesday night.

Visiting Zelma Mauldin last Week were Tricia Bradley, Carey and Cassey from Bismark, Arkansas.

Larry Garretson is at home with his mother, Dovie Garretson, after heart surgery in Tyler last week. He is doing well.

Bertha McCall went to Big Sandy to visit her daughter and son in law, Billy and Linda McCall. They all went to Denton to spend the week end with Mark Allums, who is attending college there.

Monday night Elisha McCall spent the night with Bertha McCall before leaving for Arlington to re-enter nursing school.

Jack and Sandy Merchant have been visiting in Odessa with her sister, Dorothy Jean Glover. They also visited in White House with his mother, BeDee Thorn.

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Meet the Coaches night held Aug. 15

The Rivercrest Lady Rebel-Rebel Booster Club sponsored a "Meet the Coaches" night Thursday Aug. 15 at 7:00 p.m. at the Rivercrest cafeteria.

Booster Club president, Debbie Hare called the meeting to order and introduced this year's officers who are: Vice President-Gena Gage, Secretary-Julie Childres and Treasurer-Kay Ross. Mrs. Hare told the group that although athletics plays a large part in the Booster Club's activities, they also support the band, cheerleaders and all clubs at Rivercrest, Talco and Bogata. She then introduced Athletic Director, Keith Brown. Coach Brown told the group his duties as Athletic Director, Head Football coach and Head girls Softball coach. He reported 24 boys out for Varsity football, 32 boys out for JV football and 43 boys out for Junior High football. He then asked each coach to stand and introduce themselves to the group.

First to introduce himself was Steve Weddle who assists Coach Wake Wood with boys basketball, coaches JV boys basketball and assists Coach Wood with boys baseball. Coach Weddle stated one of his goals was to beat Coach Wood in a game of one on one basketball.

Coach Wake Wood was next in line. He is the head boys basketball coach and head boys baseball coach. The Rebels basketball varsity team are picked fifth in the state so far this year and the team hold five consecutive district titles.

Coach Debbie Williams was third to introduce herself. She has come to us from Canton High School. She is the head girls basketball coach, Junior High girls basketball coach, Cross Country coach and girls track coach. She stated she is very excited about the coming year and has set district, regional and state goals for her teams. Although the girls basketball team is not in the top twenty, Coach Williams said, "That is Yet". She expressed her appreciation for all the support the Booster Club gives the Rivercrest athletes.

Next in line was Coach Terry Hill, who is the boys head track coach and assistant coach to the boys football teams. Coach Hill told the parents to just keep sending him these good

athletes. The Rebels hold five consecutive district track titles.

Tammie Case introduced herself. She will be the assistant Junior High girls coach at Talco. She stated she is excited to be working with Coach Williams and the girls.

Coach David Murry introduced himself. He is the Junior High boys coach at Talco. He also assists with high school football. He stated he was proud to be in the Talco-Bogata system.

Coach Ben Connell introduced himself. He is the girls high school basketball assistant coach. He stated he along with all the coaches plan on this being the Lady Rebel-Rebel year.

Coach Trevor Upchurch introduced himself and his fiancée. He is the boys Junior High coach at Bogata and he also assists with high school football. He stated he felt he had some big shoes to fill and he and Coach Murry plan to get the Rebel Junior High boys whipped into shape and ready to win.

Last but not least was Coach Teresa Screws. She will be the girls assistant Junior High coach at Bogata. She stated she is excited about the coming year and ready to go.

Coach Keith Brown ended the introductions stating, "We have a very solid group of coaches and an outstanding group of athletes and we would like to thank the parents and Booster Club for the support given to us and our students."

Booster club president, Debbie Hare returned and asked the group, Did You Know, that the Rebel football team was third in the district last year and was one touch down away from second in the district; that Rivercrest High School scored exemplary on the TAAS scores, that the Lady Rebels and Rebels competed in district, regional and state in Cross Country Track, Track and Tennis; that the Lady Rebels had the best record in four years, last year; that Rivercrest had district, regional and state participants in U.I.L., FFA, Band and Cheerleading; that the Rebel baseball team took third in the district last year; that the Rebel basketball team were district and area champs and regional participants or that the Lady Rebels won the first

ever district honor in softball.

Bro. Glen Connell led the group in prayer and refreshments were served. Parents and guests spent time visiting with the coaches before the meeting resumed.

Debbie Hare re-called the meeting to order. Minutes of the last meeting were read by Secretary, Julie Childres. Motion was made by Mark Hare to approve the minutes and it carried. Treasurer, Kay Ross reported a balance of \$2,463.56. Debbie Hare reported on last years activities and fundraisers. They were; balloons sales, fighting Rebel signs, concession stands at track meets and sponsorship of a bonfire at homecoming and a hospitality room at basketball tournaments. She reported the purchase last year of an ad in the year book. Motion was made by Tracie Asbourn and seconded by Connie Giles to purchase a \$100 ad in the year book this year. The group voted to leave the Booster Club membership at \$10.00 per family or \$5.00 per person this year. Motion was made by Julie Childres to hold a hamburger supper at the first Rebel scrimmage football game. It was seconded by Rueanna Bell and carried. The supper will be Aug. 23 beginning at 5:00 p.m. with a cost of \$3.00 for hamburger, chips and drink or \$3.25 for cheeseburger, chips and drink. Everyone was asked to sign up if they would be available to help with the evening. Rueanna Bell was put in charge of this year's membership drive.

Homecoming was discussed. It will be Sept. 20. Plans for homecoming were tabled for the next meeting, which was set for September 10 at 7:00 p.m. at the Rivercrest homecoming room.

The motion was made by Rueanna Bell and seconded by Kay Ross and the group voted to have Sept. 6, the first home football game, as Spirit Night. Everyone will be encouraged to wear their Rebel tee shirts.

Debbie Hare thanked everyone for their attendance and support and asked that they continue to support the Booster Club with their time and money. Motion was made by Mark Hare and seconded by Trevor Upchurch to adjourn at 7:55 p.m.

Not all Olympian feats were recognized events!

Former Talco resident tells tales of parking efforts

The following story, turned in by Nadine Caldwell, had us laughing a lot before it was over. It is the account, written by Joan Conway, of her day as an Olympic parking attendant! Jean is the daughter of Francis Smith of Daingerfield and the late Gene Smith. The Smiths lived in Talco for many years. She, her husband Lee, and two children, April, age 14 and Brian a college student live in Congers Georgia. She is a flight attendant with Delta Airlines.

April, my daughter, was afraid she would miss out on the opportunity of a lifetime with the Olympics and herself with no tickets, but I'll tell you an Olympic story! April was supposed to work as a volunteer for the International Horse Park on Friday for 6 hours. I bowed out gracefully because I had a flight that day. But they called her and changed her shift to Monday, which was for 12 hours (I didn't know that part) and she accepted. I had no excuse, and as April had to be at the park at 4:30 in the morning, I figured since I had to get up, dress and drive her to the school to catch a shuttle to the park, I would just join her. I also wanted to make sure April would be treated humanely and I was feeling generous and good about helping out the schools.

See, the deal is that the three high school is Rockdale County would get 10% of the proceeds from the parking lot if they provided the volunteers and they had been having trouble getting people to work since most people work anyway and the ones who don't work may not have children in sports or band. I figured though, How hard can it be to show people where to park?? You see, I have a small mind and it thinks very small. I come from a small town, a small school and have a small family. I just don't think big, big, BIG!

Well, armed with the backpack, my most comfortable tennis shoes, regulation beige shorts a big T-shirt with EVENT PARKING written on the back, snacks, water, squeeze-breeze water an, sunscreen, chapstick, money, extra socks, a straw hat fancied up with my Olympic pins, poncho, Kleenex, sunglasses, fanny pack and only 3 hours and 55 minutes of sleep April and I were on our way to the park. We felt like we were on an adventure.

We were carried to our respective parking lots on golf carts and it was very chilly. We were briefed on procedure. I was assigned to the handicapped lot and April to the upper handicapped lot. I could see April in the darkness and we flash SOS back and forth. I was feeling pretty cool in my hat, bright orange net vest, new shirt and my very cool vector flashlight. For the first hour we mostly stood around and played with the flashlights and tried to stay warm. The backpack started to get mighty heavy so I dumped it in the dirt along the fence. The sun was rising and I could see the parking field didn't have

a blade of grass nor a tree, it looked like a dirt desert. I still felt excited, like something important was going to transpire. I'm also figuring I'm pretty luck to be here in handicapped parking--how many people could be handicapped compared to the ones who weren't. I felt I would spend the day taking 30 minute breaks, eating, drinking Gatorade and waving to people who drove by. It would be fun, and we would see horses and there would be people from foreign countries and we could show them Southern hospitality.

Why, we might even see movie stars! The cars started to trickle in, then to line up, then to gridlock and back up into Conyers, then to the other side of Conyers. The officials came and took away my flashlight and gave me an orange flag, then they stripped me of my orange vest and flag and told me I could be cashier now and someone under 18 could direct parking. I donned 2 Ace hardware aprons, was given a huge roll of tickets and green parking stickers and \$150 to make change. I had to take \$10 from everyone in a car, \$20 from RVs and \$30 from bigger buses and automobiles. OK, I still thought it couldn't be hard. The math as easy, I had to tell them the price, make change quickly and give them tickets, the parking sticker and tell them to put on their rear-view mirror and had about 3 seconds to do so.

I had to wave 2 cars past me to the next cashiers, there were people who had their money out the window trying to give it to me all at once, and I was trying to keep from getting run over by the cars on my backside (including a huge RV with large, dangerous mirrors) and the cars kept trying to run over my toes. I had to keep screaming "blue" for handicapped parking "Red lot" for the VIPs who didn't have to pay, the ACOG officials who didn't pay, answer everyone's questions about when things started, how they broke their foot yesterday so could they park in the handicapped parking, how to get to an auto repair shop, if there was shopping in the park, where could they turn around and did they really have to pay, was there a discount for compact cars, if they could ride a horse, which was the quickest way to this or that, sorry, but they had nothing but a \$100 bill, where was the shuttle, could they ride the bus to downtown Atlanta from here? and more! One person took the ticket away from me and drove away without paying and the boss screamed at me. I finally said I was just a volunteer and didn't do this for a living and not to get snippy with me! Soon I was grabbing money from their hands, slapping the parking ticket in their palm and yelling "rear view mirror, please". I exhausted my right arm waving them through. Three vans tried to run over me because they were from a foreign country, didn't speak English and had no intention of paying anything. I figured I'm only a volunteer and I didn't intend to throw myself in front of the vehicle for \$10.

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By Liz Irwin

We may have to change the name of the papers... instead of Thunder Prairie Publishing, we may have to be known as Thunder Prairie Publishing and Animal Shelter, Inc.

When I signed on here to work, I never anticipated the canine and feline aspects of the situation (you can tell I'm not an animal lover, although I have nothing against people that are). Oh, I always knew Nanalee had a soft spot for animals... soft spot is not the word! This lady has cats, dogs, ducks plus one husband! Needless to say, Thomas can't be left out either. He has a few soft spots, too! One in particular is red-headed with long ears, loves rib bones and goes by the name of Lacey! But, more on that later.

There have been numerous rescues to Nanalee's credit. Since Thomas is president of the Deport Volunteer Fire Department and Nanalee goes to take pictures, they are always running upon animals that have been hurt or injured. She has found homes for a variety of various animals. Bringing them home, cleaning them up and nursing them back to health. One kitten in particular had most of his hair burned off in a fire. He is now fully recovered and was placed in a loving home.

Just recently, Cindy (you know Cindy... drives a white Chevrolet and has a penchant for buzzards!) brought in two baby kittens, less than 24 hours old. Nanalee has her own mid-wife supplies in readiness. One basket, complete with "blankie", coke bottle full of warm water, used as surrogate mother and she even buys "kitty" baby formula from the veterinarian. I believe she keeps the vet on retainer.

Every two hours, she would have to stop whatever she was doing... even sleeping... warm the milk, feed "baby" in a small doll-like feeding bottle and rub his tummy to get it all settled back down and sleeping.

When I have an amazing anecdote about Allison (my 2-1/2 year old friend, that I spoil outrageously) Nanalee usually has one to add about one of her "babies".

The office door is always open to folks as they parade through with a variety of wounded canines and felines. Thomas' Lacey always keeps a constant watch at the door for everyone that comes by. Everyone knows, or will know when they come in that she gets her petting first, before they are waited on and any transactions or business is transacted. Just a scratch or simple pat will do!

Tuesday is usually rib-day at the Lonesome Dove and Lacey waits by the window and is very hurt if she is not brought back a bone. Cindy, of course, has thoroughly spoiled her by bring her beef jerky each morning and Cheetos and by teaching her the finer points of "Toilet Tissue Shredding". Lacey senses Thomas' return in the afternoon from his trips to Mt. Pleasant on Tuesday and anxiously awaits for his greeting. She even likes me, even though I have run over her tail a couple of times with my rolling chair and expects a "tummy rub" each time she sees me.

Needless to say, a name change would be seemingly appropriate in our case as strays come and go.

NOTE: As I said, not being a great animal lover myself, I have recently been blessed with a large, yellow Tomcat that was "deposited" on our doorstep. "Mr. O'Malley, as Allison has named him, now sleeps at the door and knows our every move, irritates our watchdogs unmercifully and has adopted us as his new masters.

Nanalee says, "Animals are like small children, they know who loves them and will care for them." Besides, Allison has become attached to him and how could I disappoint her by not keeping Mr. O'Malley!



Billie Pirtle fishes off Baja

Billie Pirtle of Bogata is pictured above with the 250 pound Blue Marlin she caught while fishing off the southern tip of the Baja Peninsula in the Sea of Cortez.

Billie and children Ken, Kathy and Kati Miller of Commerce vacationed one week in San Jose Del Cabo, Mexico. Billie caught her Marlin

after being out only one hour. They also caught yellow fin tuna and dorado. Kati, age nine, caught a twenty pound tuna and three in the twelve to fifteen pound range.

Billie's hobbies include hunting and fishing and she says that this catch is going to be hard to top!



Katha Crawford shown with "I Am A Ten Too", winner of the Hunter Under Saddle class at the 1996 Texas State 4-H Show, July 1996

Katha Crawford still winning

Katha Crawford has successfully teamed up with 2 AQHA geldings this year. She is the recipient of a \$6,000 college scholarship from the San Antonio Stock Show, after receiving the Reserve All-Around Texas youth in the Quarter Horse division with "I Am A Ten Too".

Katha nationally qualified and recently competed in the 1996 AQHYA World Show at Fort Worth with "Black Jacks Demon" in Equitation Over Fences. This show, with over 2,000 entries, is one of the largest in

the world. At the 1996 Texas State 4-H Show, Katha and "Jack" won the Equitation Over Fences as well as placing in the top ten in 6 other events. Several of the classes had over 160 entries.

Katha is the daughter of Benn and Marilyn Crawford of Deport and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Castlebury of Deport, Mr. and Mrs. B.J. Crawford of Bogata, Robert Rose of New York and Mrs. Jean Morrissey of Steamboat Spring, Colorado. She is a junior at Prairiland High School.



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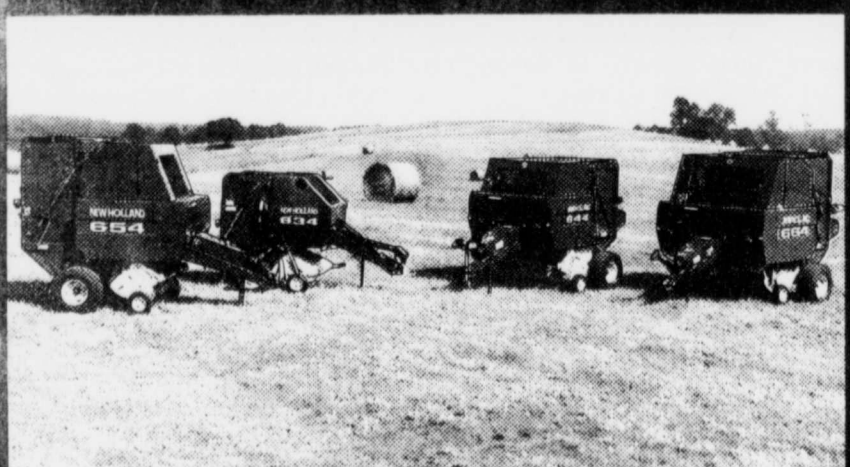
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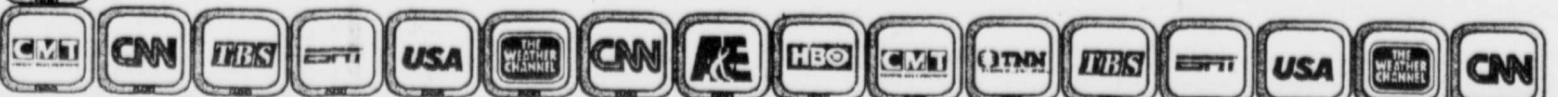
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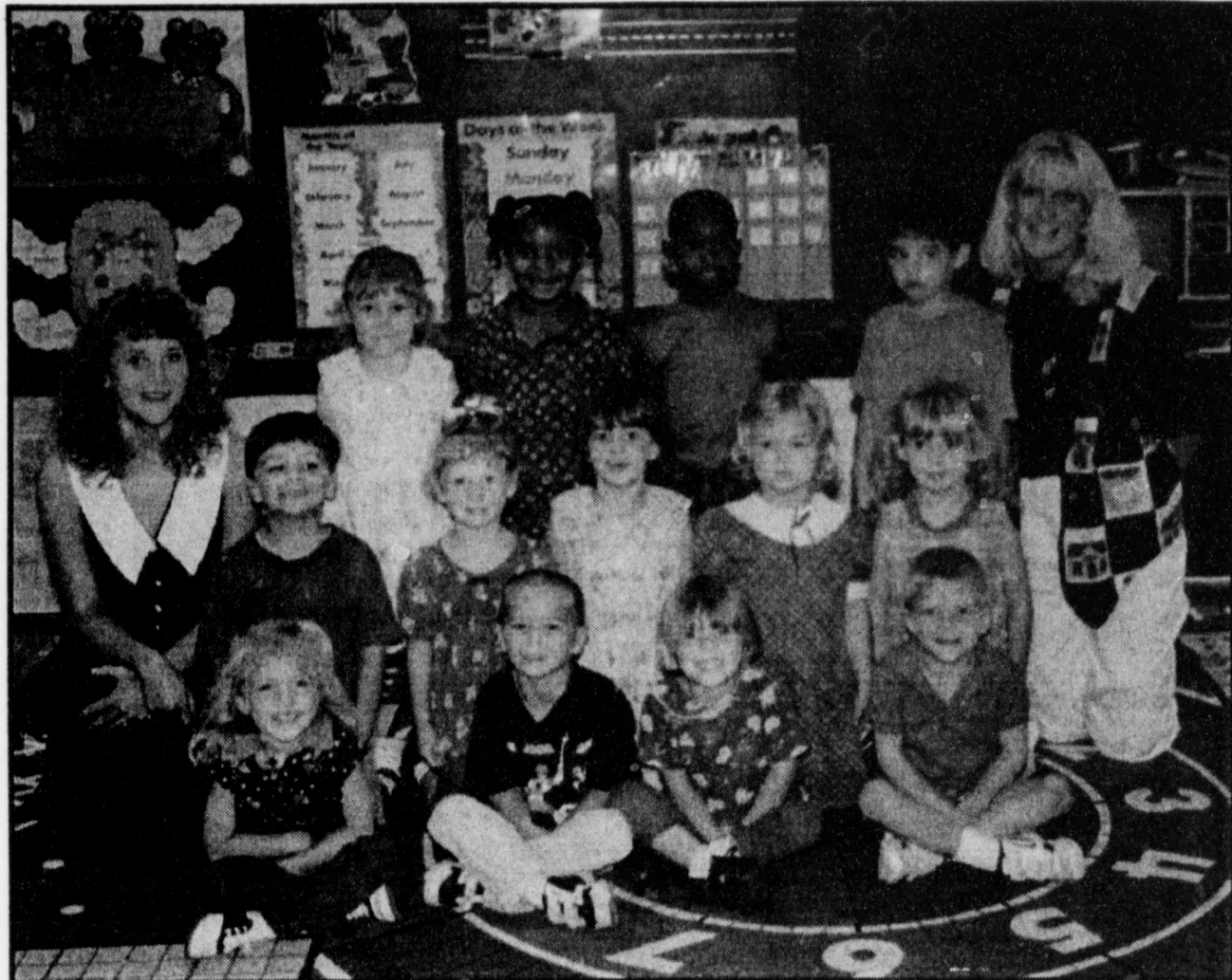
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NEW BUSINESS IN BOGATA-The 909 Diner opened over the week end on highway 909 just off Main Street in Bogata. They serve a full menu including short orders and lunches. The new

business features a full service fountain with Blue Bell Ice Cream, shakes, malts, sundaes and banana splits. They are open Tuesday through Saturday 6:00 AM until 8:00 PM and

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Hunter Education course to be offered

A course in Hunter Education is scheduled for Monday-Wednesday, August 26-28 from 6-10:00 p.m. in the Vocational Agriculture Building at Mt. Vernon High School. Bruce Hunnicut, a local vocational agriculture teacher will be the instructor for the class.

The course is open to adults and to young people under the age of 18 and will include instructions in hunter responsibility; wildlife conservation and management, firearm, bow, muzzleloading, handgun safety, wildlife identification, game care, survival and first aid, water safety and hypothermia and other special concerns in hunter safety.

Everyone above the age of 12 that passes the exam with a minimum score of 70 at the conclusion of the course will receive a lifetime hunter education certificate that is recognized

by Texas and other states. Those below 12 years of age must take the course over again for proper identification.

With dove season beginning in September and deer season and squirrel season set to begin October, this is a good opportunity for hunters to take the course before the fall hunting season gets into full swing. Hunnicut said, "I urge them to get certified now."

To pre-register, contact Hunnicut at (903)537-2266 or (903)537-2651 at night before August 15. For more information, contact him at the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Law Enforcement Division in Mt. Pleasant at (903)572-7966. Further information is also available at Texas Parks and Wildlife Hunter Education section in Austin at 1-800-792-1112 or (512)389-4999.

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Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase

The TALCO-BOGATA CISD BOARD OF TRUSTEES will hold a public hearing on a proposal to increase total tax revenues from properties on the tax roll in 1996 by 12.92 percent. Your individual taxes may increase at a greater or lesser rate, or even decrease, depending on the change in the taxable value of your property in relation to the change in taxable value of all other property.

The public hearing will be held on AUGUST 29, 1996 at RIVERCREST HIGH SCHOOL 8:00 P.M.

FOR the proposal: EDDY BROWN, RICKY FRANKS, MOLLIE WILLIAMS, KIP STANSELL, MARK HARE AND CHARLIE HINES

AGAINST the proposal: NONE

PRESENT and not voting: NONE

ABSENT: MIKE RECTOR

The statement above shows the percentage increase the proposed rate represents over the 0.9932 tax rate that the unit published on AUGUST 8, 1996. The following table compares taxes on an average home in this taxing unit last year to taxes proposed on the average home this year. Again, your individual taxes may be higher or lower, depending on the taxable value of your property.

	Last Year	This Year
Average home value	\$ 19,308	\$ 19,269
General exemptions available (amount available on the average home, not including senior citizen's or disabled person's exemptions)	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000
Average taxable value	\$ 9,308	\$ 9,269
Tax rate	1.1500/\$100	1.1078/\$100 (proposed)
Tax	\$ 107.04	\$ 102.68 (proposed)

Under this proposal taxes on the average home would DECREASE by \$ 5.64 or 5.26 percent compared with last year's taxes. Comparing tax rates without adjusting for changes in property value, the tax rate would DECREASE by \$ 0.0422 per \$100 of taxable value or 3.66 percent compared to last year's tax rate. These tax rate figures are not adjusted for changes in the taxable value of property.

Criminal Justice Mandate (for counties): N/A

The _____ County Auditor certifies that _____ County has spent \$ _____ in the previous 12 months beginning _____, 19____, for the maintenance and operations cost of keeping inmates sentenced to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. _____ County Sheriff has provided information on these costs, minus the state revenues received for reimbursement of such costs.

Talco School Menu
August 26-30

Monday

Lunch
Pizza
Salad
Corn
Fruit
Milk

Tuesday

Lunch
Chicken Nuggets
Steamed Broccoli
Fruit
Rolls & Honey
Milk

Wednesday

Lunch
Ham & Chees Sub Sandwich
Salad
Carrots & Broccoli
Fruit
Milk

Thursday

Lunch
Spaghetti
Garlic Bread
Salad
Green Beans
Milk

Friday

Lunch
Hamburgers
Salad & Pickles
Beans
Chips
Ice Cream
Milk

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Brown and Jack spent Friday and Saturday in Snyder visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Kuhl and Kristin. They attended the wedding of Chad Kuhl and Michelle Harper while there.

Marta Rhoades and Robert Caul and Denise Woods of Bogata enjoyed a fish fry supper at the home of Karen Jones Thursday evening.

Anita Aston of Utah visited this past week with Bill and Juanita Aston.

Ruby Horn, Linden Horn, Bill and Dorothy Stevens of Johtown, Vickie Howard, Ashley and Callie of Mt. Pleasant joined Jo Horn at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Kuhl and Kristin in Snyder Friday for a week-end visit and to attend the wedding of grandson and nephew, Chad Kuhl and Michelle Harper.

Celebrating August birthdays are; Shane Wright, Jacob Wright, Hershey Jones, Zonetta Hawkins, Tonya Bishop and Justin Smith.

Donnette Parrot sustained a broken foot in an accident at her home this past week. She is reported doing well.

Visiting Carol Laing, John and Brandi Gaddis Thursday through Sunday were; Josh Absheir and friend

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FREE KITTENS: Two solid gray; two solid black; two gray & white. Call Tonya at 903-652-4703, 5:30 to 10:30 p.m. 9-5nc

WANTED
WANT TO BUY: used cattle header gate. Call Thomas & Nanalee Nichols, 903-652-4205 or 652-5823.

LOOKING FOR nice home in the country, Detroit, Blossom, Reno area. Preferable off the highway with privacy. Please call 903-427-4134. MA 8-22

WANT TO RENT HOUSE in or around Bogata area with pasture for horses. Owner must be willing to sign five year lease. Please call 903-632-4820. Leave message. MA 9-5

WANTED: You and your friends for a free square dance lesson. Thursday, September 19, 1996, 7-9 p.m. Central Presbyterian Church, 309 S. Church St., Paris. 20 lessons, \$5.00 per couple, \$2.50 per single per lesson. Instructor Steve Hoffman. Rewards: fun, fitness, friends. For info, call 903-785-0988, 785-7426 or 632-5760. MA 9-5

SALES
OUT OF BUSINESS SALE: Sidewalk sale, August 23-24, downtown Blossom. Refrigerator dolly; 4-wheel flat dolly; 110 volt clothes dryer; Kitchen Aide trash compactor; large wooden step ladder; 25 amp generator, tractor powered. Many other items. Must come and see. Many oil paintings. 8-22

HOUSE FURNITURE SALE: Door will not be opened to public until 7:30 a.m. Saturday, August 24, 620 High Street, Blossom. Please, these things should not have been sold: Dr. McGee's biography, I will double the price if you bring them back; "Go home and tell, Bertha Smith", the video tapes, only if the sign language dictionary is not erased; two large 3" red 3-ring notebooks. 8-22

NOTICE
TAKING BIDS on approximately 80 acres standing grass. You mow, rake and bale. 903-674-2119. MA 9-5

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 - '95 DODGE RAM 1500 SWB, Red, CD, V8
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JOHNTOWN LOCALS

By Jana Hawkins
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Jay Ward received his degree of Bachelor of fine Arts in Radio, Television and Film at the Commencement Exercises at Sam Houston State University on August 17, at Barnard G. Johnson Coliseum in Huntsville. Jay's wife is Kristin Magee Ward, granddaughter of Gene and Lydia Hawkins. Jay is the son of Lynn and Linda Ward of Holly Lake.

Mrs. Reba Cecil of Talco visited Gene and Lydia Hawkins Saturday afternoon.

Sunday after church a group from Johntown enjoyed eating at the Western Sizzlin' in Mount Pleasant. Attending were Holly Jean, Robbie Hawkins, Mark, Jana, Haley and Heather Hawkins, Larry Wayne Neeley, Drue and Billie Pirtle, Clay and Lana Pirtle and Chris Sinkey, Mikki and Vance Pirtle, Lindsey and Stephanie Fischer, Dr. Bobby and Chessie Clark, Bro. Calvin and Myra Permenter. Afterward everyone enjoyed going out to the Permenter's home in Mount Pleasant for a visit and fellowship.

Enjoying hamburgers, swimming and fellowship at the home of Drue and Billie Pirtle were Harold Neeley,

Mark, Jana, Haley and Heather Hawkins, Robbie Hawkins, Darla, Ryan and Allix Brunson and Holly Jean, Brother Calvin and Myra Permenter, Dr. Bobby and Chessie Clark.

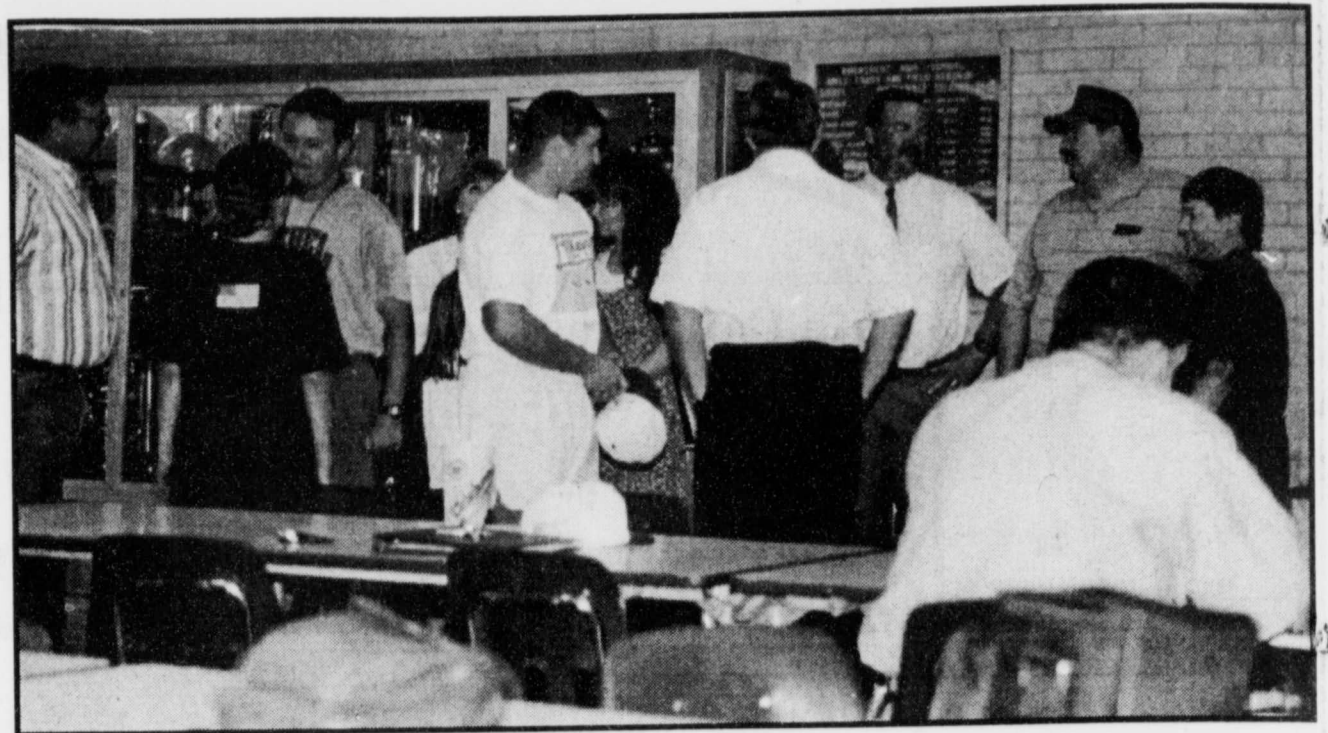
Jana, Haley and Heather Hawkins, Pauline Gibbs and Felina and Jerrica White enjoyed shopping in Clarks-ville on Monday night.

Robbie and Doug Hawkins, Lucille Childers, Jana, Mark, Haley and Heather Hawkins enjoyed eating hamburgers and all the trimmings Saturday night.

Friday night Mark, Jana, Haley and Heather Hawkins enjoyed playing Chisum Miniature Golf and eating out.

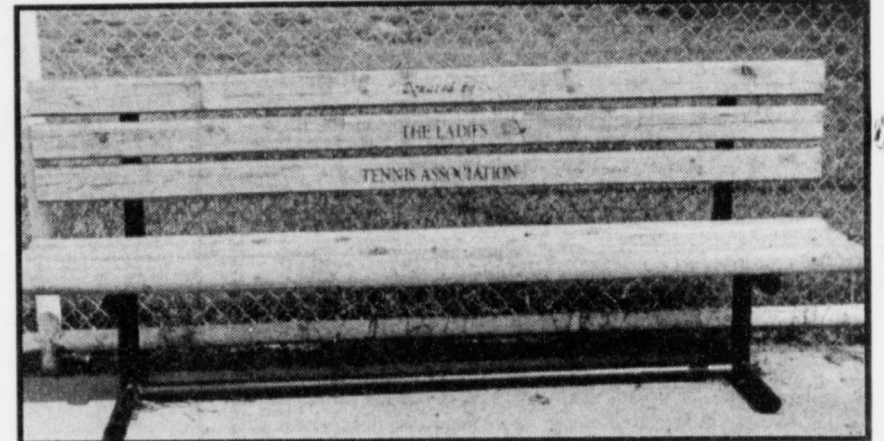
Visitors this week in the home of Drue and Billie Pirtle were Dana and Harold Neeley, Jay Hancock, Matt Childers, Larry Wayne Neeley, Chris Sinkey and Lana Pirtle, Myra and Brother Calvin Permenter, Jerry Francis, Robbie Hawkins, Brother Larry and Dorothy Neeley, Dr. Bobby and Chessie Clark.

Sunday visitors of Tommy Lee, Joyce and Glenda Cox were Eugene Cox, Angela and Erin Iles and Dorothy Foster.



MEET THE COACHES- night sponsored by the Rivercrest Lady Rebel-Rebel Booster Club and held Thursday Aug. 15 at 7:00 at the Rivercrest cafeteria was well attended. Parents had the opportunity to meet and talk with Junior High, JV and Varsity girls and boys coaches. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

I would like to extend our thanks and gratitude to GTE Telephone Company for helping us get charges for voice mail we didn't authorize removed from our bill. In every respect they proved helpful. We appreciate them.
Nanalee Nichols



NEW BENCHES- have been donated to the Rivercrest High School tennis court by the Ladies Tennis League. The benches were built by Craig Easley. The Ladies Tennis League were able to give one scholarship to a Rivercrest senior tennis player this past year and they plan to give one or more scholarships to this year's senior tennis players. (staff photo Nancy Brown)

Have A Nice Weekend

LOST PET ?
Find your lost pet by advertising with a Classified Ad in your local paper. Lost Pet Ads are Free!

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EGGS Grade A Large-Doz.  99¢	TRIX Cereal 12oz. Box  \$1.99	PAPER PLATES Chefs Pride 100 Ct.  99¢	GREEN BEANS Parade Cut 14 1/2oz. Can  3/\$1	CORN Parade Cream Style 14 1/2oz. Can  3/\$1	PEAS Parade Sweet 14 1/2oz. Can  3/\$1	ICE CREAM Oak Farms 1/2 Gal. All Flavors  2/\$5			
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DIAPERS Parade Med.- 24 Ct. Large 18 Ct.  \$3.29	DASH Detergent 42 Load  \$4.49	BANANAS  39¢ Lb.	Hostess SNACK CAKES 89¢	Mrs. Bairds CUP CAKES 79¢	HOT DOG BUNS Fresh Bake 8 Pk.  69¢	BREAD Fresh Bake Lg. Loaf  69¢			
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