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By Nanalee Nichols

Please, be careful out there
Over the past few weeks we witnessed two tragic accidents that have taken the lives of two young people. We witnessed another accident in which two young people were injured.

I am once again reminded that in a few seconds so much can happen to change so many lives.

And, once again I am reminded that the most dangerous thing we do in life is to drive.

Because of the necessity of driving we tend to take it for granted.

We shouldn't. Most of us think that we are good, safe drivers. All too often that is beside the point. Over the past 22 years in the newspaper business I have seen so many wrecks, so many people injured or killed. And a good portion of them were good drivers, driving safely. But, circumstances conspired to create a series of events that led to tragedy.

We cannot control the other driver. We cannot control things that may happen to our vehicle, or weather conditions.

In spite of overwhelming evidence that seat belts save lives, there are still many people who will not wear them. Yes, on rare occasions, a seat belt does more harm than good. But by and large they do the opposite.

The hardest part of this job is taking photographs of terrible accidents and writing stories about lives cut short.

Knowing that these photos and stories can upset family and friends is another difficult part of the job.

But, if one person can look at that photo and THINK a little about their driving...if they can drive a little more defensively, if they remember to buckle up that seat belt something has been accomplished.

I know there are many who disagree with me on this, as well as other issues. That goes with the territory. But, here is my "Mother Hen" lecture.

Please, please, drive carefully. Don't assume the driver at the intersection sees you and is stopping. Don't assume just because you have the right of way you won't have to yield it in order to avoid an accident. Fasten your seat belt. Drive defensively. Drive politely.

Each of us has made driving mistakes, and we will again.

Awareness helps us to cut down on those mistakes. Please, be aware of what you are doing...and what other drivers are doing. Be cautious, don't take risks driving.

In short, please, be careful. The result is no accident. And that's a great thing for everyone concerned.

September 15, 2000

The Johntown Opry will be held at the old Dodd Store located on Hwy 271 S. in Johntown. Guests will enjoy gospel, country and blue grass music. All pickers and singers are invited to come out and perform as well as those who just want to listen to music performed by local talent. There is no charge but donations will be appreciated. The event will begin at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome!

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COOL FANS-Volunteers of the Bogata Public Library Museum show off the old fashioned fans bought for the benefit "Harmonizing Under the Stars". The event is scheduled for October 7th. Guests of the benefit will receive the fans. Pictured are: Dorothy Gill, Frances R. Rozell, Gale Hervey, Margie Myers, Frances M. Rozell, and Mary Margaret Vaughn. (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)

People 'n Things

September 25

Open House will be held at the Talco and Bogata School campuses. All parents and guardians are urged to make plans to attend with their students.

September 26

The Talco and Bogata School students will be dismissed at 12:30 p.m. September 26, 2000 for 1st six weeks report cards and parent conferences. All parents are urged to make arrangements for their children or come and pick up their children, see their report cards and meet with teachers if needed.

September 21-7 p.m.: First rehearsal for "Harmonizing Under the Stars" benefit. Other rehearsals are Sept. 28 and October 5. All rehearsals at Bogata Assembly of God Church at 7 p.m. Any wanting to sing in 100 voice choir is welcome.

Talco-Bogata Ladies Fall Tennis League will begin Monday, September 25. \$10.00 per person, sign-up deadline is September 11. For information contact Dana Neeley at 632-44061, Cecelia Smith at 379-5462 and Rachel Ward at 379-7221. Fall league will be for six weeks. Ending date is October 30.

Third Tuesday of each month

Bogata Lions Club sponsors Bingo at Red River Healthcare Center. Lions Club members should volunteer to help when they can.

Ticket sales begin on Talco Fall Festival drawings

The Talco PTO will host the Fall Festival on October 28, 2000 and among the nights activities will be the drawings of lucky winners among the various ticket sales.

Sales have begun on the Money Board. A large board with various numbers will be displayed at the school and at the Talco Guaranty Bank. Those interested may purchase a number for \$2.00. At the festival the numbers will be randomly drawn until only one remains and that lucky person will win the money prize.

Also on sale are chances for a turkey or ham. The tickets are being sold by the PTO members for .50¢

September 22 and 29

There will be no school on September 22 and 29 for students in the RISD. These dates will be in-service days for the teaching staff.

Bogata Public Library/Museum

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

Bogata Parade of Homes

The Bogata Missionary Baptist Church will host the "Parade of Homes" during the 2000 holiday season. The event is set for Dec. 7, 2000. Watch your local paper for more details as time nears.

each. The winners will be drawn at the Fall Festival program.

A special item the group will be selling tickets on will be a hand-made cedar chest donated by Jim Carroll. The tickets will cost \$1.00 each and the winner will be drawn at the Fall Festival program. For more information or to purchase a chance see Linda Brown at the Guaranty Bank or call or stop by the Talco School office.

The PTO also is in need of workers for the upcoming event. Anyone interested in helping in any area may contact Laura Thompson at 379-3841.

Parent night is changed to October 6

The parent night for the seniors has been changed from the Waskom game September 22 to October 6 with Detroit. Everyone is asked to come and support the Rebels.

September 20

"Meet You at the Pole" worship service will be held at the Talco School campus beginning at 7:45 a.m. on September 20. The event is sponsored by the Talco Calvary Baptist Church. All students, faculty and parents are invited to attend this special prayer service.

Harmonizing Under The Stars to provide fun and funds for Library

The gospel singing benefit for the promotion and encouragement of Bogata Public Library and Museum has been named "Harmonizing Under the Stars" by the James Wood family, sponsors of the benefit.

According to James Wood, what started out as a get together of a number of singing groups and singers from Bogata's surrounding area has escalated into numerous requests from people in Paris, Talco, Clarksville and other towns wanting to sing with the choir.

The benefit is scheduled for Sat. Oct. 7 at 7:00 p.m. in the Bogata Rodeo Arena.

The format, according to Wood, will be choir singing similar to the Gaither videos seen on national TV and a choir in excess of 100 people is expected. There is no admission charge although there will be opportunity for anyone wanting to make a tax deductible donation to the library and any donations either in monies or new books for the library will be

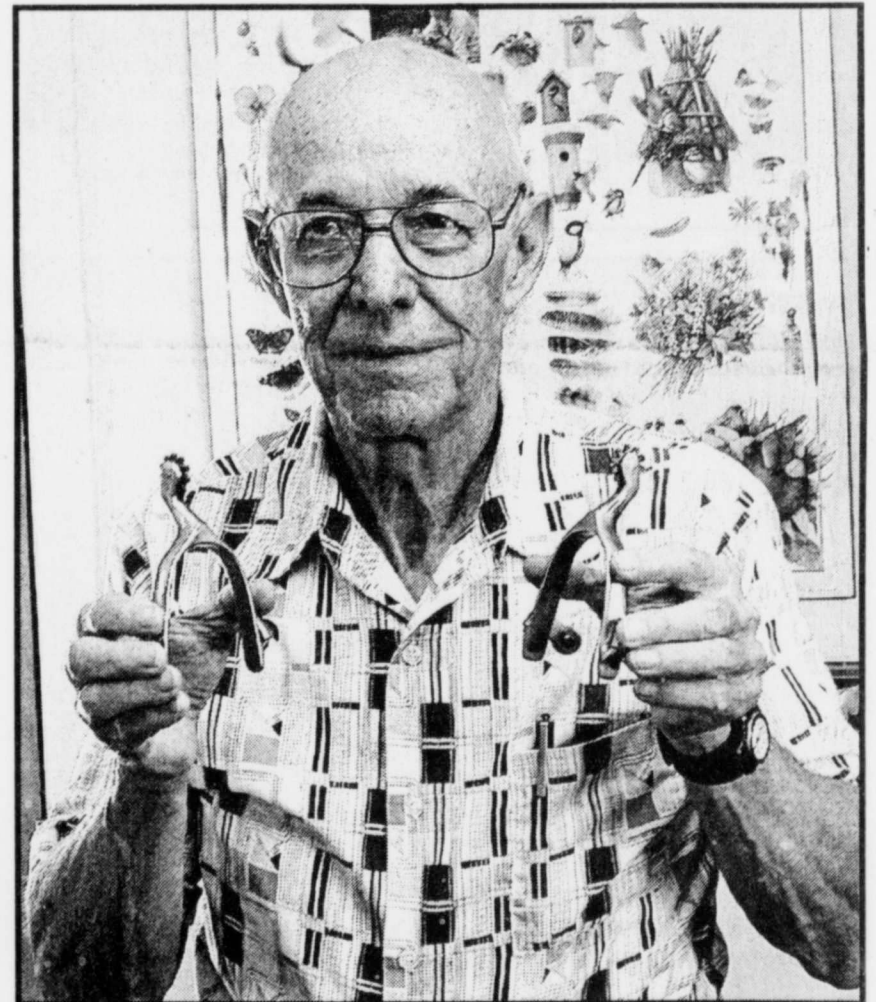
appreciated.

Tim Wood, who will direct the choir, is urging anyone who likes to sing old gospel fast paced Gaither Songs to contact him so they can be a part of rehearsals which will be held on three different occasions prior to the performance.

Tim says "you don't have to read music, but you must enjoy singing as it's going to be lively and fast paced. If you have seen any of the Gaither videos you have seen how much fun the choir has and how entertaining a hundred voice choir can be."

Mark your calendar for October 7 for a night of clean family entertainment and be a part of "Harmonizing Under the Stars".

Remember, call Tim at 652-3195 or 632-5614 if you want to be a part of the choir. If you know of someone who likes to sing gospel music, pass the word. If you know someone who enjoys listening to gospel singing pass the word. Also, remember, Oct. 7 is a great time to take the family out to a good, clean, free evening of entertainment.



A. D. STEPHENSON-is pictured holding a pair of near 100 year old spurs which have been donated to the Bogata Public Library/Museum by Eula Mae Stephenson Lobstein. The spurs belonged to her father, Frances Marion Stephenson. A special memory of Eula Mae's is when she was about 5 years old she was bitten by a rattlesnake. She remembers her father putting on the spurs to ride his horse from their home near Johntown into Bogata to get old Dr. Grayson. When he and the doctor returned her mother was told by Dr. Grayson that she had probably saved Eula Mae's life. She had soaked the bitten foot in coal oil. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Bogata CCP to sponsor turkey/skeet shoot September 16

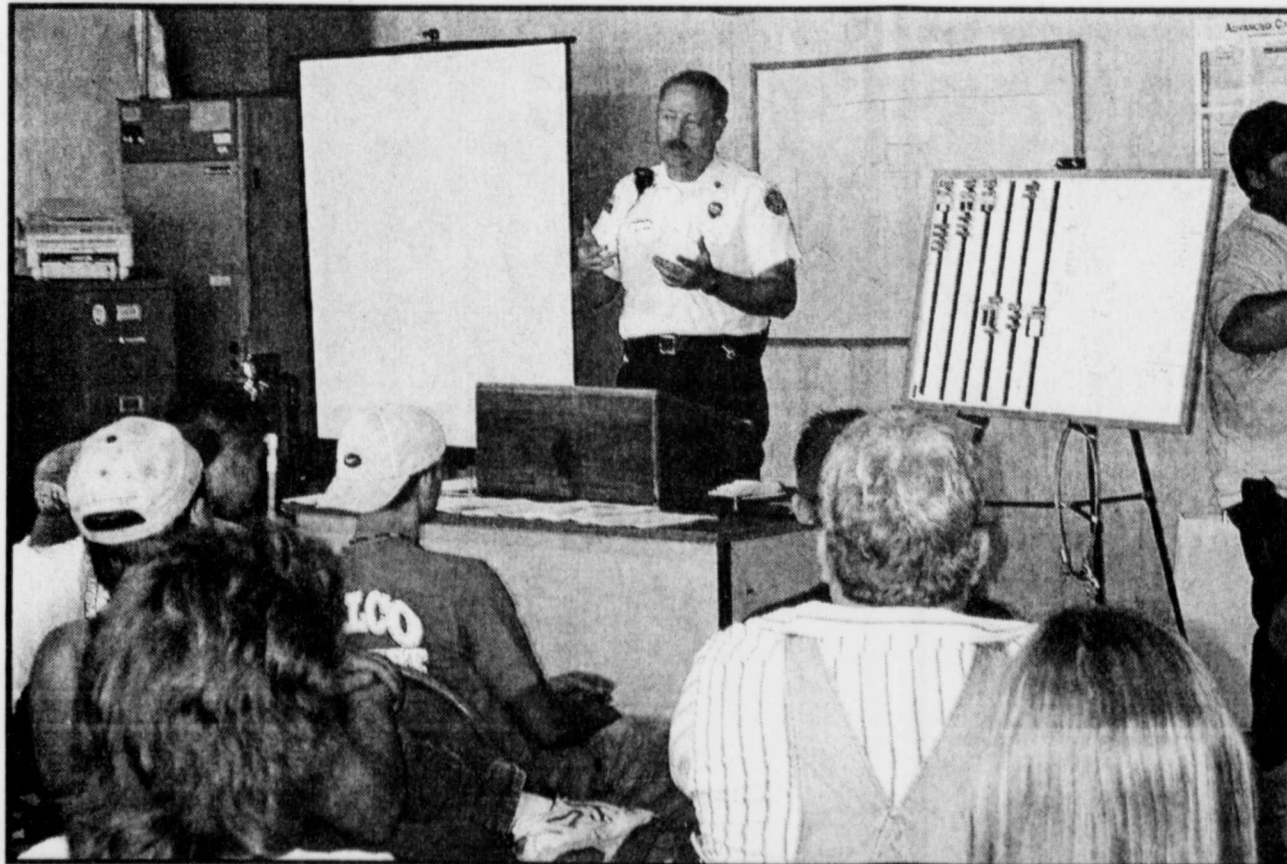
The Bogata Crime Control and Prevention District invites you to attend their first annual Turkey/Skeet Shoot beginning at 10:00 a.m. on September 16, 2000 on South Lawson Road and CR 1311 between FM 909 and Hwy. 271. Proceeds from the event will go to help the district implement the Crime Prevention Program.

Each shooter will be allowed 2 turkeys only. Shot gun shells will be provided for the Turkey Shoot. The cost will be \$3.00 per round (shot). Those 16 years old and under must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

Shells will not be furnished for the Skeet Shoot. The cost will be \$3.00 per round (shot).

The group will not be responsible for accidents and no alcoholic beverages will be allowed. Concessions will be available.

Also chances will be sold on a Remington 870 Express Ultra-Mag 12 gauge pump shotgun for \$3.00 each which will be given away at an upcoming town meeting. To get your chance contact any of the members of the Bogata Crime Control and Prevention, stop by Bogata Auto Parts or call Randy Lemme at 632-0116, Roland Screws at 632-9519, Betty Sue Brown at 632-4430, Brad Alison at 632-5251, Gina Allen at 632-5684, Park Robertson at 632-4809 or Lonnie Hider at 632-2000. You do not have to be present to win.



MT. PLEASANT FIRE CHIEF-Larry McRae presented a program on wild brush fires to the Talco, Hagensport, North Franklin and Sugar Hill Volunteer Fire Departments Tuesday at Talco. Chief McRae explained that fire danger is judged on a range from 1-800. For the past 43 days Titus County and the surrounding area have been around 790 on the scale. The serious possibilities for wild fire prompted the special education being given to area volunteer departments who donate their time to learn how to protect the area and its people while keeping themselves safe. They are all appreciated. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Employees to hold luncheon for American Heart Walk

Guaranty employees will be holding a luncheon on Friday, September 22 to raise funds for the American Heart Walk.

Price of the meal will be \$5.00

each with take-outs welcome.

The menu will consist of taco soup, chips, dessert and tea.

Tickets may be purchased from Jo, Judy, Gena or Melissa.

Country Cooking with Liz Irwin

Our cooks this week are some of the residents of the Blossom Housing Authority. They gather once a month at the Housing Authority Meeting Room and enjoy a pot luck lunch. Each member brings one of their favorite dishes and they all eat their fill. Afterwards they either enjoy a program or just enjoy fellowship and visiting.

We thank these ladies for submitting their recipes and we will see you in the kitchen!

Cornbread Salad-Hettie Mae Bailey-this recipe is one of my favorites and I'm sure that you will enjoy it too!

Million Dollar Pie-Joyce Bartlett-this recipe is great. Joyce

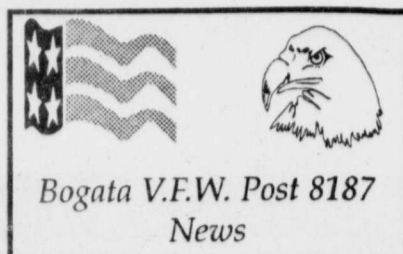
says it is best if you refrigerate it overnight and can be made low fat by using low fat milk and a low fat crust.

Copper Penny Salad-Wayne P. Barnett-this may be refrigerated overnight and will keep up to a week.

Baked Potatoes for Guests-Etta Timby-this recipe can be made ahead of time and placed in the oven right before serving!

Pumpkin Cake-Mrs. J.T. York-this sounds like a good moist cake that will be enjoyed by everyone!

Icing for Pumpkin Cake-the perfect topping for the above cake!



Bogata V.F.W. Post 8187 News

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

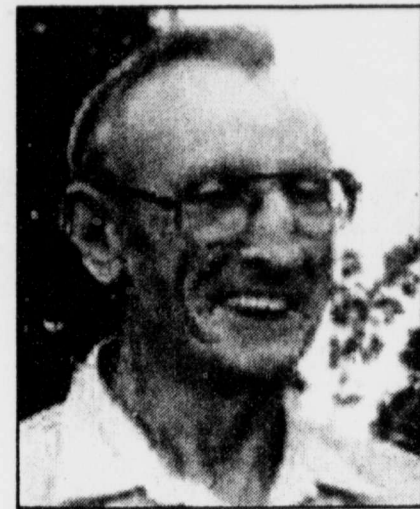
*Post is open Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 3:00 p.m. until 12:00 midnight, and Saturday from 12:00 noon until 1:00 a.m.

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

*Get well wishes to Ellen Holt, Mildred Eudy, Rick and June Kellen, Betty Mullin and Bill Farris.

*Happy birthday to Delene Tabb, Steve Knowles and James Minshew.

Obituaries



William Wyatt Merrill
dies September 6

Card of Thanks

The family of **Leslie Benedict** would like to say a heartfelt thank you to each and every one of you who called, came by, brought food, sent flowers and especially for your prayers.

Thank you to Rev. Buddy Hines and the entire Hines family for the service and the participation of each of you.

A special thank you to each of the casket bearers.

Also to Wood Funeral Home for their special concern and thoughtfulness shown us.

We are very grateful to each one who rushed so quickly to Leslie to aid at the accident, the person who left to call E.M.S., the E.M.S. attendants, the Deport First Responders, to Randy Boren, Tim Ray and any other officers who responded, each one who stayed with Jennifer until further help arrived. You are so gratefully appreciated and may God bless and keep each and every one of you.

William Wyatt Merrill, age 72 of Talco, formerly of Clarksville, died Wednesday, September 6 at his residence. Wood Funeral Homes conducted memorial services at 1 p.m. on Saturday, September 9 in the Calvary Baptist Church of Talco with the Rev. Rex Jackson officiating. The family requests memorials be made to the Cypress Basin Hospice.

Mr. Merrill was born November 14, 1927 in Sayre, Pennsylvania, the son of Francis and Edna Lattimer Merrill. He married the former Marjorie Tyler September 22, 1949 in Bainbridge, New York. He was a veteran of the U. S. Navy, serving in World War II and was a retired heavy equipment operator.

He is survived by his wife; five sons, Tom Merrill and wife Barbara of Dalton, NY, Bill Merrill and wife Annette of Corning, NY, Deat Merrill and wife Cindy of Beaver Dams, NY, John Merrill and wife Juliana of Paris and Jeff Merrill and wife Julie Ann of Mt. Pleasant; three daughters, Barbara Armistead and husband Walter of Paris, Ann Francis and husband Danny of Talco, Nancy Hanson of Blossom and a former son-in-law, David Hanson. He is also survived by four brothers, Noble Spike Merrill of Corning, NY, Frank Merrill of St. David, AZ, Christian Merrill of Beaver Dams, NY and Herbert Merrill of Lakeland, FL; one sister, Charlotte Rozelle of Campbell, NY; his stepmother, Ruth Merrill of Montour Falls, NY; his brother and sisters-in-law, Walt Tyler, June Merrill, Jane Mullins and Len Tyler; a half-brother, George Merrill of Pauls Valley, NY; 24 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Preceding him in death was a grandson, Robert Dean Merrill and a brother-in-law, Jesse Tyler.

Mrs. Ada M. Holmes
dies September 11

Mrs. Ada M. Holmes, age 90 of Bogata, died Monday, September 11 in Red River Health Care Center of Bogata.

Graveside services were held at 10:00 a.m. Thursday, September 14 at Bogata Cemetery with Rev. Randall Scott officiating. Burial was under the direction of Wood Funeral Home.

Mrs. Holmes was born February 9, 1910 in Oklahoma, the daughter of Charles Edward and Laura Warren Buster. She married Alpha Holmes on April 4, 1934 in Pattonville. He died December 13, 1962. She was a Baptist and a retired nurses aide.

Surviving are two daughters, Ruth Lee and her husband Ollie of Paris and Judith Holmes of Kailua, Hawaii; one son, Ken Holmes and his wife, Helen of Beaumont; one sister, Maudie Lee of Paris; six grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren; and several nieces. She was also preceded in death by a son, Keith Daniel Holmes, who was killed in Viet Nam in 1970. She was also preceded in death by three sisters, Nellie Buster, Lola Rogers and Zella Buster and two brothers, Clarence and Claude Buster.

Ira Leon Hall
dies September 12

Ira Leon Hall, age 73 of Talco died Tuesday, September 12 in Titus County Medical Center.

Services were held Thursday, September 14 at 2:00 p.m. at Bates-Cooper Funeral Home Chapel with Keith Blankenship and Charlie Roberts officiating. Burial followed in Midway Cemetery in Franklin County under the direction of Bates-Cooper Funeral Home.

Mr. Hall was born in Franklin County on June 27, 1927. He was a truck driver for Fina and Dorchester for 23 years and was a veteran of the U.S. Army.

Surviving are his wife of 53 years, Mary Sue Hall of Talco; sons, Bill Hall of Jefferson and James Hall of Talco; a daughter and son-in-law, Sandra and Royce Logan of Pittsburg; eight grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, Carl James Hall and Delias Mae Carrington and a sister, Carleen Pitts.

Bearers were Jeremy Belyeu, Kris Hall, Carl Padgett, Jon Hall, Mike Hall, Brad Logan and Steve Hall.

Card of Thanks

I would like to express my heartfelt thanks to all for every visit, call, prayer, cards, flowers, food and the care I received at Christ St. Joseph's Hospital.

Lucille Pickering

DHS enhances senior services

Making food stamps more accessible for low-income citizens age 60 and over in Delta, Lamar and Red River counties is the goal for the EZ Access for Seniors pilot project at the Texas Department of Human Services.

By calling 737-0361 Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m., qualifying senior citizens will receive assistance in completing the process. A telephone interview or a home visit may also be options, depending upon individual circumstances.

The DHS office is located at 400 West Sherman in Paris. The direct telephone number for EZ Access for Seniors is 737-0361. Other helping agencies and community organizations are encouraged to make referrals to the EZ Access for Seniors project.

July 27, 2000
Blossom Housing Authority Residents

Cornbread Salad
Hettie Mae Bailey

1 Mexican cornbread mix
1 cup tomatoes
1 cup bell pepper
1 cup onion
1 cup salad dressing

Cook, cool and crumble cornbread. Add remaining ingredients and mix well. Chill and serve.

Million Dollar Pie
Joyce Bartlett

10 inch graham cracker crust
1/4 ounce Eagle Brand milk
1/4 cup lemon juice
8 ounces crushed pineapple-drained
9 ounce Cool Whip
1/4 cup pecan bits

Stir together milk, juice, pineapple and pecans. Add cool Whip. Mix well. Pour into pie crust. Place in freezer for 10 minutes and then refrigerate.

Copper Penny Salad
Wayne P. Barnett

2 pounds carrots-cut in rounds
1 medium onion-chopped
1/2 bell pepper-chopped
1 can condensed tomato soup
3 tablespoons vinegar
1/2 cup salad oil
1/3 cup sup sugar
1 tablespoon mustard
1 teaspoon worchestershire sauce

Cook carrots and drain. Combine carrots, onions and green peppers and set aside. Combine soup, vinegar, oil, sugar and mustard. Stir until well mixed and pour over carrots. Toss lightly. Refrigerate overnight.

Baked Potatoes for Guests
Etta Timby

2 large potatoes
1/2 cup sour cream
1/4 cup Parmesan cheese
4 bacon strips-cook and crumble
2 tablespoons green onionchopped finely
1 teaspoon prepared horseradish
1/2 cup grated cheddar cheese

Bake potatoes until done. Do not wrap potatoes in foil. Scoop out and place in a bowl. Save potato skin for shell. Blend together remaining ingredients ans salt and pepper to taste. Spoon mixture back into shells. Top with 1 tablespoon melted butter on each half. Sprinkle with cheddar cheese. Return potatoes to oven and bake at 350 degrees for 20 minutes.

Pumpkin Cake
Mrs. J. T. York

4 whole eggs
1 cup salad oil
2 cups flour
2 teaspoon soda
2 cups sugar
2 cups cinnamon
1/2 teaspoon salt

Mix together in a bowl eggs and sugar. Beat well and add oil, flour, soda, cinnamon and salt. Mix well and add pumpkin. Bake at 350 degrees in tube pan until thoroughly done. Must be well done. Do not grease sides of pan. Bake 1-1/2 hours.

Icing for Pumpkin Cake

8 ounces cream cheese
1/2 stick oleo
1 box powdered sugar
1 cup chopped pecans
1 teaspoon vanilla

Let cheese and oleo come to room temperature and combine ei remaining ingredients. Frost cake.



GOOD COOKS-The ladies of Blossom Housing Authority gather each week for a "pot luck" luncheon. From left, back row are: Wayne Barnett, Lorene Gibson, Dorothy White, Joyce Bartlett, Etta Timby, visitor Sara Crowder. Front row is Aileen Herron, Alice Whitecotton, Maurine Duberry, Mildred York and Hettie Mae Bailey. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

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FULBRIGHT NEWS

Rev. and Mrs. Stotts of Pineville, Louisiana celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary and her birthday Sunday. He is a former pastor of the Baptist church here.

Monte Rodgers and Melissa Ariagga visited Betty Rodges Sunday.

Betty Rodgers visited in Boyd with her sisters Bernice Thomas and Ruby Stafford of Hobbs, New Mexico and her daughters Jann and Mickey Dunham. They all visited Dickie and Janell Rodgers of Bowie.

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Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Aaron Frahlich

Frahlich-Fulbright vows exchanged

Joseph Aaron Frahlich and Chandra Lovette Fulbright were united in marriage at 5:30 in the evening on Friday, September 1, 2000 at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses in Brooklyn, New York.

Chandra is the daughter of Willie and Cheryl Fulbright and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Fulbright of Fulbright, Texas.

The bride was escorted by her father and given in marriage by her parents. She wore an elegant full length spaghetti strap gown of white satin. The fitted bodice was adorned with delicate seed pearls and sequins and buttoned down the back. The hemline and cathedral length train were accented with lace inserts adorned with seed pearls and sequins. Her headpiece was a crown of meshed, strung pearls. Her finger-length veil was trimmed with satin. The bride carried a bouquet of sage roses, carnations and summer flowers interspersed with lilac and finished off with a flowing organza ribbon.

Attending the bride as matron of honor was her best friend, Laura (Mason) Ripley of Brooklyn, New York, formerly of Clarksville, Texas. She

wore an empire styled, a-line cocktail length dress that draped in the back with sage chiffon and crepe. She carried a bouquet of Irish carnations and roses accented with lilac and tied with organza ribbons. The bridesmaids were Sharonda Clark and Laura and Allison Frahlich, sisters of the groom of Akron, Ohio.

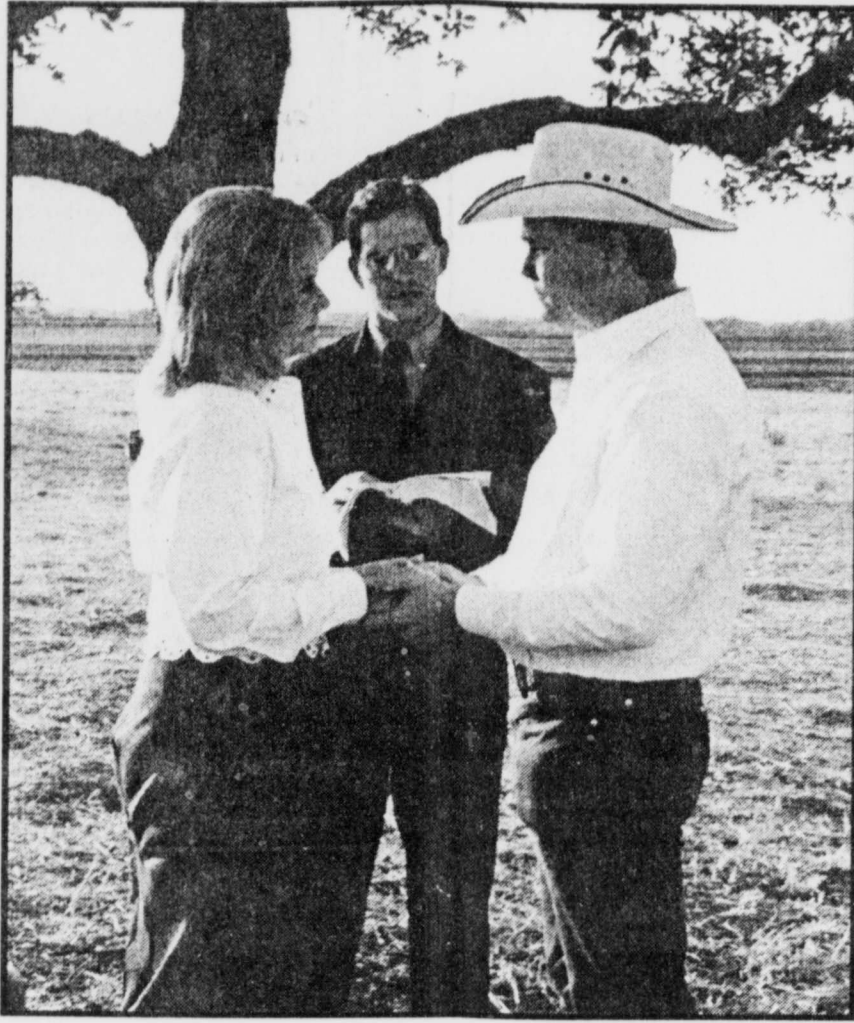
D'd Frahlich of Akron, Ohio, the groom's brother served as best man. The groomsmen were Chauncy Fulbright, brother of the bride, Alex Hernandez and Asher Graff.

The reception was held on the fourth floor of the Metropolitan Building in Queens, New York, overlooking Manhattan and Brooklyn.

The rehearsal dinner was hosted by the groom's parents at a Chinese Restaurant in Manhattan.

The bride is a graduate of Rivercrest High School and will continue her career as a secretary. The groom is a graduate of Firestone High School in Akron, Ohio, and is employed as an electrician in Cleveland.

Following their honeymoon in North Carolina the couple will make their home in Akron, Ohio.



The 3 Rs; Real Love, Romance and Ropin'

On September 1, 2000, Suzann Holland and Michael Tabb were united in marriage with Judge Chad Adams officiating. In a private family gathering, Michael and Suzann exchanged personal vows and rings in one of the most romantic ceremonies, according to Judge Adams. The ceremony was held under a Live Oak Tree on their own land in Waxahachie. After the song "She Thinks I Could Rope the Moon" was played, Steve Holland, the bride's father, read from the Book of Ecclesiastes. The couple then exchanged their personal words to each other along with their vows and rings.

Immediate family in attendance were: Steve and Bobbie Holland of Midlothian, the bride's parents; Dan and Vicki Tabb of Miro, the groom's parents; Delene Tabb of Maple and Dixie Stringfellow of Bogata, the groom's grandmothers; Danny Tabb of Red River County, the groom's brother and best man; Bob, Dee and Maggie Richardson of Bagwell, the groom's brother-in-law, sister and niece (and flower girl); Jason, Tammie and Blake Finkenbinder and Callie Miller, the bride's brother-in-law, sister, nephew and niece; Judi Maddox of DeSoto, the bride's friend and maid of honor, and Billy Bateman, the bride's uncle. At the conclusion of the heart-felt ceremony, the couple asked that everyone in attendance

take a moment to remember loved ones who are also a special part of them: Jack and Dorothy Bateman, and Rowland and Ruby Holland, the bride's grandparents, and George Monroe Rector and Gordon Enoch Tabb the groom's grandfathers.

After pictures, everyone joined Michael and Suzann for dinner at the Trail Dust Steak House in Arlington. Michael and Suzann shared a special dance to "My Girl" that was dedicated to them by the bride's uncle. Following dinner, the couple went dancing with Bob and Dee and Danny and Judi at Cowboy's in Arlington. Later that evening Michael and Suzann returned to the Arlington Hilton Hotel. The next day they were joined by Bob and Dee and Danny and Judi for a fun week-end around Dallas, Irving and Arlington.

Michael and Suzann will be taking a winter honeymoon trip to Las Vegas during the National Finals Rodeo. The couple will host a party / reception for friends and family at their new home, a custom built classic farmhouse, in Waxahachie after its completion.

Suzann is an English teacher at Waxahachie High School, and Michael is foreman for Flemister Construction. Michael and Suzann would like to thank their family for all their love and dedication.



Birthday Party honors Camen Calvin

Camen Calvin enjoyed her 7th birthday at the Bogata Park Saturday September 9, 2000. Her party was given by her parents, Clay and Chasity Francis and her little sister, Caley. Her party theme was "Groovy Chick" with cake and ice cream.

Those attending were Lou and Roger Hall, Phil Leake and Emily Hale, Angie and Jeremy Wheat, Bryan and Susan Jones and Crystal, Jake and Merry Robertson, Trevor Jesse, Carter Kelsey, Angel Ramirez, Samantha, Kasie Branch, Heather Holt, Jed Burge, Niki Burgess and friend, Jeremy, Angela Burgess, Candi, Lathan and Landery Crump, Blake, Wendy Chadwick, Linda Chadwick, Linda Gay, Jeanie, Joseph and Marion Williams, Brandon Williams and Sharon Francis.

She received many nice gifts and remembered to say "Thank You" to everyone.



LAYTON WRIGHT celebrated his first birthday on September 6, 2000 with a "Teddy Bear" themed birthday party held on Saturday, September 2, 2000. Helping Layton celebrate were his parents, Mike and Stephanie Wright, grandparents, Jerry and Joyce Franks and Cathy Wright, great grandmother, Nell Stinson and other friends and relatives, Amanda Franks, Melanie, Marley and Caitlin Tidwell, Kelly, Brady and Ashlyn Kennedy, Marc, Cynthia and Aly Anschutz, Jo and Tony Anschutz, Robbie and Laura Beville, Lisa, E.J., Amber and Brandi Via, Teri Cabell, Danielle and Danica Easterling, Tonya Hawkins and Jessica Clark. Layton received many nice gifts.

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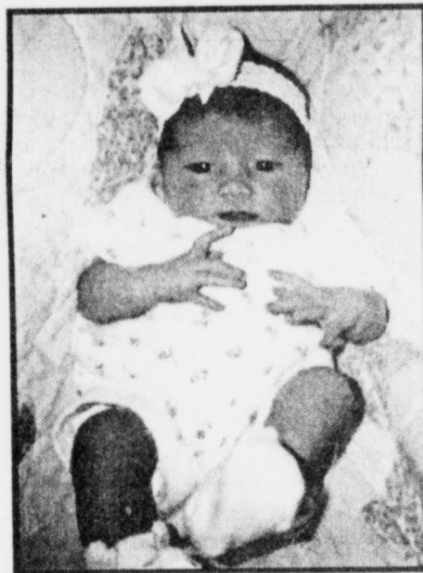
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Clint Hansford Williams

Clint Hansford Williams was born July 12, 2000 at 1:20 p.m. in Wetumpka, Alabama to Bobby John and Dawn Williams. He weighed 5 pounds and 11 ounces and was 20 inches long. He is the grandson of Linda Topping Williams of Prattville, Alabama and Bobby Williams also of Alabama. He is the great grandson of Johnny and Willie Mae Topping of Bogata. Clint is welcomed home by siblings; Chance and Chase.



Alayna Danielle Fielder

Gavin Cain would like to announce the birth of his new niece, Alayna Danielle Fielder, on August 12, 2000. Lana weighed 7 pounds, 5 ounces and was 20 1/2 inches long. She is the daughter of Brian and Leigh Fielder of Idabel, Oklahoma. Grandparents are Richard and Darrell Davis of Bogata, Linda Noseff of Idabel, Charles Noseff of Idabel, Jimmy Cain of Millerton, Oklahoma, Sue Cain of Marlin, Texas and Rober Dielder of Angleton, Texas. She also has a brother named Tracy.

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Happy Birthday
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& Drew Chance

Church Services held at Thedford Homes

The mid-week church service at Thedford Homes on September 5 opened with prayer.

A group of 15 shared a covered dish lunch before the service. A time of prayer requests and gospel singing followed. Special songs were done by Darren Moore, Lee Robinson and Ethel Moulton.

Brother Ed Johnson of Cuthand brought a message based on Psalm 46:1, God is our refuge and strength. Several shared testimonies and the meeting was dismissed in prayer.

Brother Calvin Permenter of Johtown will be the guest speaker on Tuesday, September 19. All friends and residents of Thedford Homes are invited to attend.

FOOT NOTES



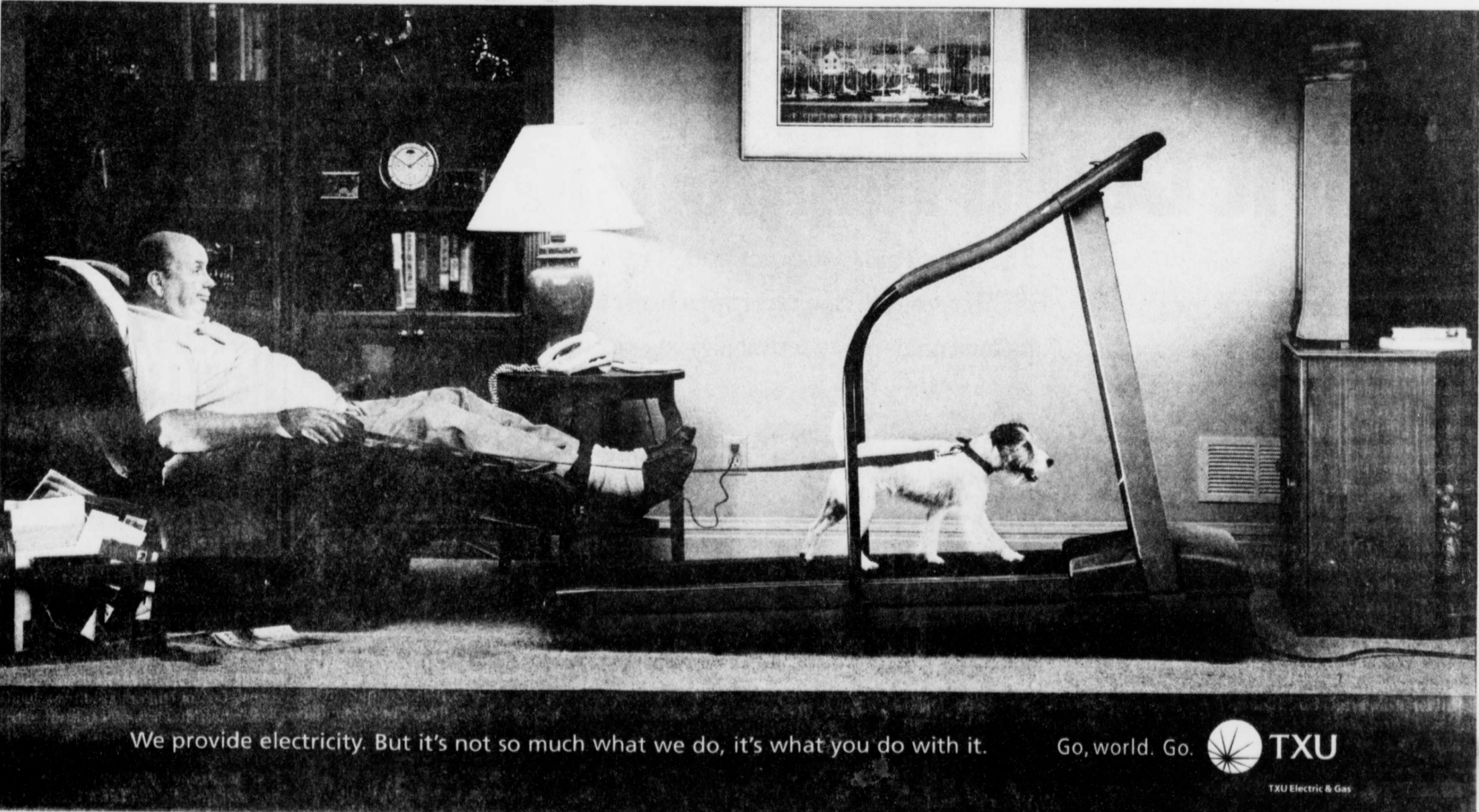
Kohler's Bone Disease

The navicular bone is one of the smaller bones located at the bottom of the foot, near the arch. Kohler's bone disease is a rare inflammatory condition affecting the navicular. It occurs in young children, mostly boys ages 3 to 5. Because the navicular is the last bone to ossify as children develop, it is more susceptible to damage from repetitive weight-bearing compression activities, like walking or running. The bone and cartilage become inflamed in a process called osteochondritis. The child's foot becomes swollen, painful and tender to the touch. A limp may develop to relieve pressure in the affected area. Pain and swelling are typically treated with medication while arch supports and limited strenuous activity are often recommended.

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If you are a former resident, member of a resident's family, employee

or volunteer, please bring your favorite recipes by the Activity Department, mail them to Red River Healthcare, P.O. Box 790, Bogata, Texas 75417 or call Darnell Davis at 632-5479 for more information.

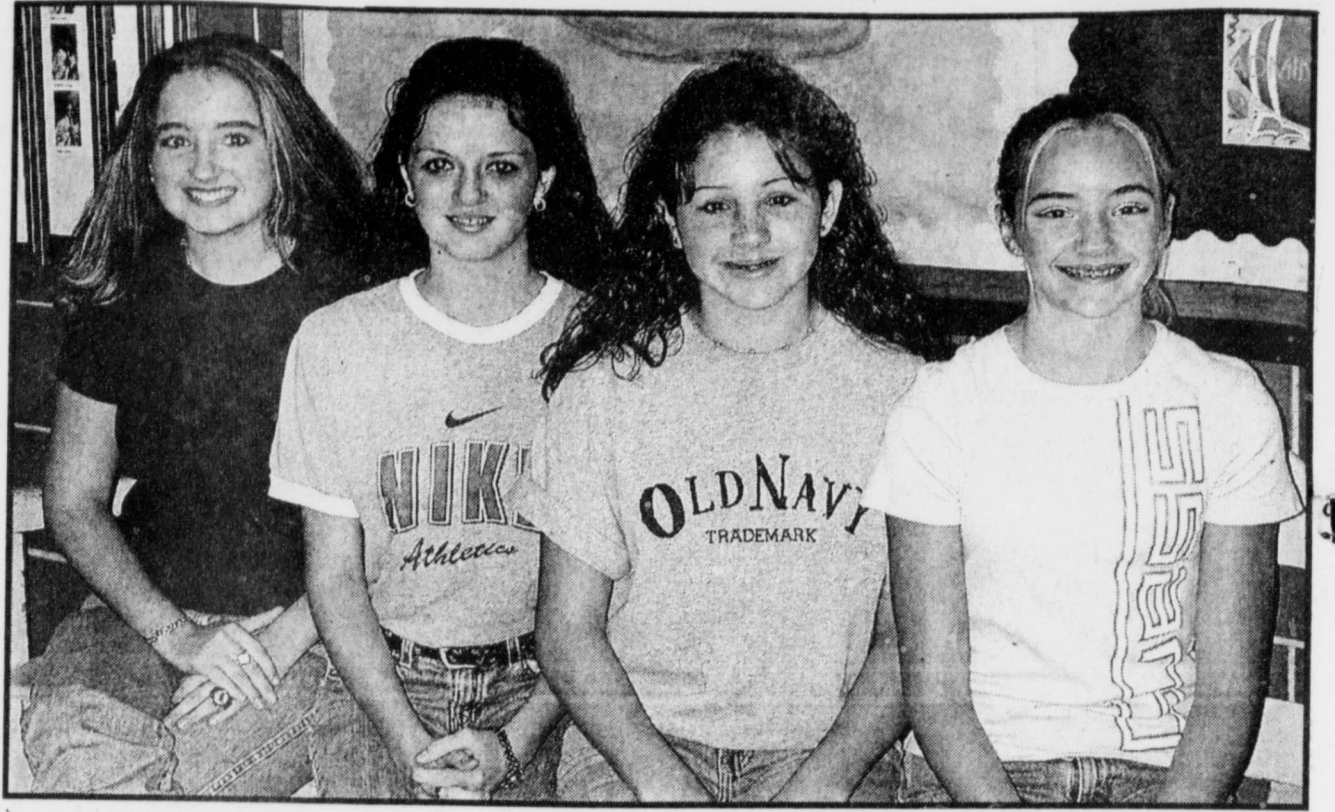
Every recipe will be appreciated and will help earn funds for resident activities at the home.

Fletcher, Crouch, Greer reunion to be held

The annual Fletcher, Crouch, Greer reunion will be held September 15-16-17 at Cypress Springs Marina. All family and friends are invited to attend. Bring a covered dish for the supper at 5 p.m. on Saturday. Fun and games for all ages. For information, call Sonny Fletcher at 903-925-2009.



It was believed by some in the southern United States that if the fire pops on the hearth, a letter is headed your way.



FRESHMAN CLASS OFFICERS-at Rivercrest High School this year are; President-Nikki Burgess, Vice President-Ashley Randle, Secretary-Tiffani Cooksey and Reporter-Paige Boyd. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

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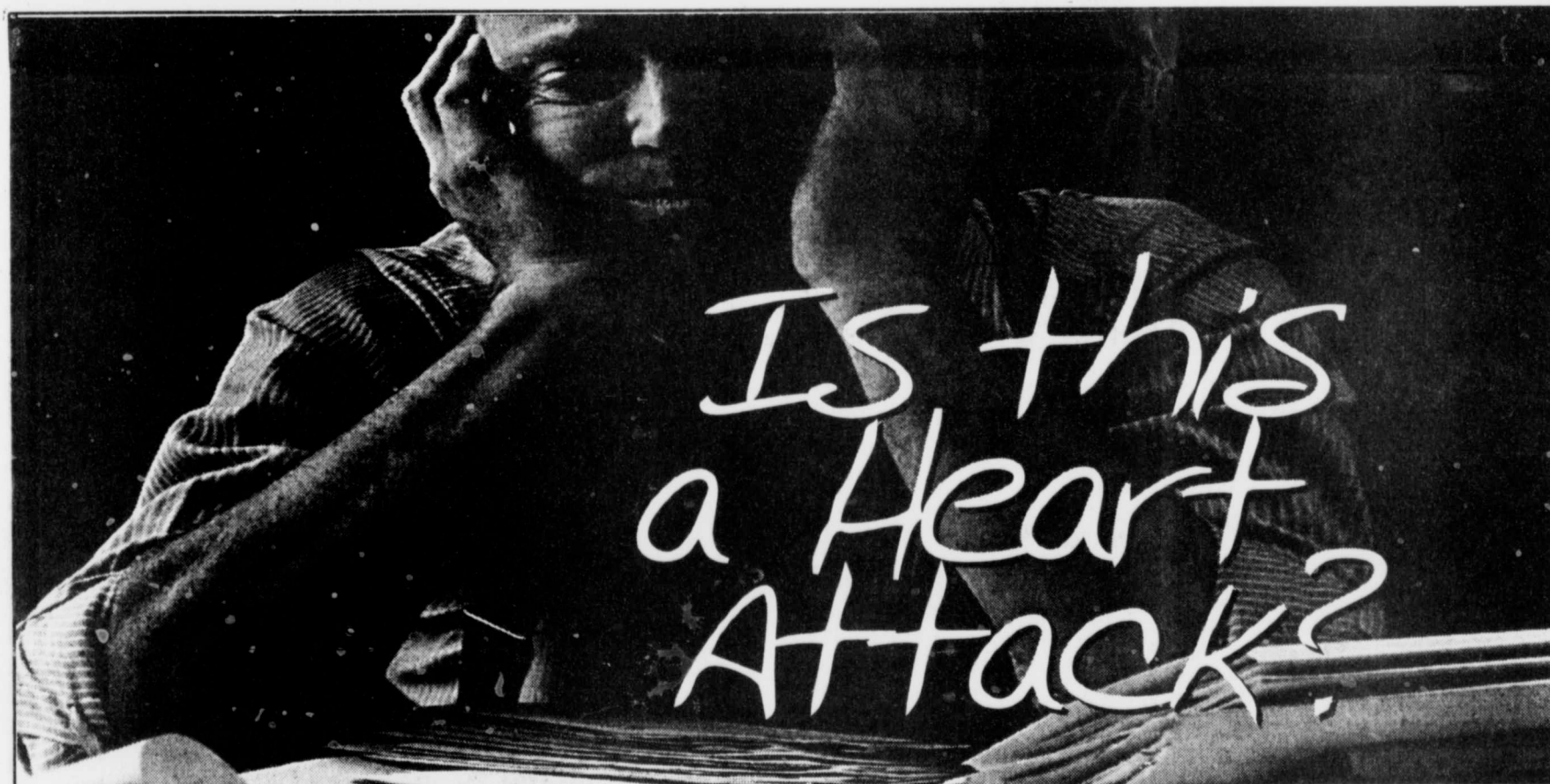
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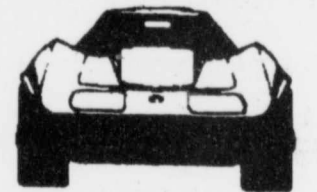


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SLOGAN OF THE YEAR- Molly Hare produced the Rivercrest Rebel "Slogan of the Year" which will be printed on tee shirts and put on sale soon. Molly's idea was "Rivercrest Rebels.....Any Questions?" (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



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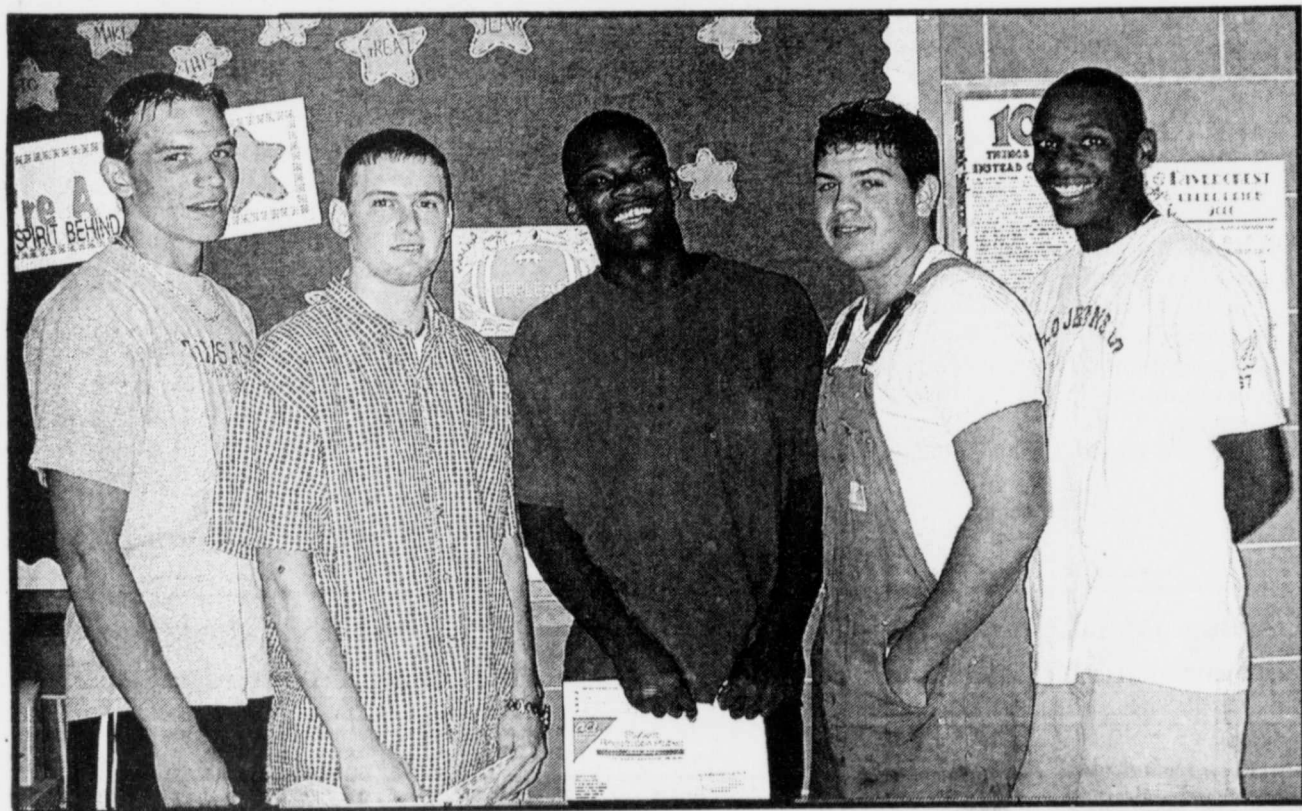


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RIVERCREST REBEL VARSITY-team members and coaches this season are; (back row from the left) Coach Karl Whitehurst, Coach Steve Weddle, Josh Cabell, Keith Hines, Brendin Jones, Chase Collins, Michael Galloway, Dustin Jones, Steven Shade, Zach Ward and Coach Gary Schultz; (middle row from the left) Coach Terry Hill, Joey Hanna, Nathan Carroll, Chance Wolfe, Clinton Cheatwood, Colby Guest, Brandon Davis, Ryan Hawkins, Ryan Newton and Coach Keith Brown and (front from the left) Myron Ellis, Zach Perry and C. A. Middleton and not pictured Kris Hall. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

THE RIVERCREST REBEL-football team has 9 seniors this year ready and able to play in their final season. Pictured are; (back row from the left) Keith Hines, Coach Keith Brown, Chase Collins and Michael Galloway; (middle from the left) Myron Ellis, Colby Guest, Joey Hanna and Clinton Cheatwood; (front) C. A. Middleton and not pictured Kris Hall. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



TEAM CAPTAINS-Chosen by the Rivercrest Rebel football team members as Team Captains for the season were; (left to right) Chase Collins, Clinton Cheatwood, Michael Galloway, Colby Guest and Keith Hines. Here's wishing the Rebels a good season! (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



RIVERCREST REBEL JUNIOR VARSITY-team members and coaches this season are; (back row from the left) Coach Karl Whitehurst; Shon Gage, Wesley McCall, Chet Phillips, Jeremy Ward, Marcus Deming, Heath Hinton, Chauncy Fulbright, Trey Madden and Coach Steve Weddle; (middle row from the left) Cody Clark, Lonny Sheffield, Justin Tucker, Keith Perry, Chance Belcher, Justin Exum and Jeff Williams and (front from the left) Cody Cheatwood, Shaun Webb and Joe Lindsey. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Rebel Varsity 2000 football schedule

September 15	Como-Pickton	7:30	HOMECOMING WILL BE
September 22	Waskom	7:30	OCTOBER 20
September 29	Maud	7:30	* DENOTES DISTRICT GAMES
October 6	Detroit	7:30	HOME GAMES ARE
October 13*	DeKalb	7:30	IN BOLD TYPE
October 20*	Prairiland	7:30	
October 27*	Hughes Springs	7:30	
November 3*	Paul Pewitt	7:30	
November 10	Chisum	7:30	



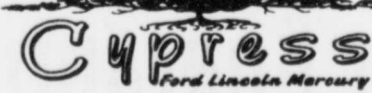
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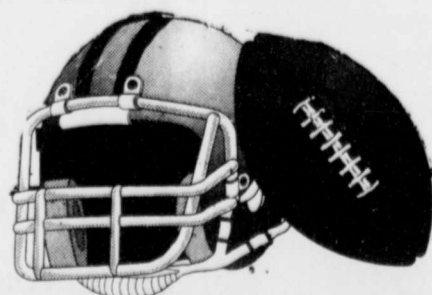
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 Carol Miller, Randy and Jay Hancock and Dorie Roach, Duane and Sandra Benson and Colton, Shirley Smith and Tana Guest visited Billie Hancock.
 Reuben Jarman visited Marie Legate.
 Carrine Alford and Lucille Pettit visited Percy Topping.
 Neoma Goodman visited Oma McKinney.
 Tabitha and Vanessa Henry, Mary Ann Williams and Sue Martin visited Pauline Alsobrook.
 Tonya Tucker, Sherea Roach, Donnie Tucker, Nelda Tucker and Clifford Tucker visited Gladys Tucker.
 Carron Herring and Nina Hale visited Aubrey Herring.

Daphne Pointer visited Melvin Pointer.
 Inez Gill visited Beulah Pierce.
 Inez Gill visited Alice Craig.
 Jimmy and Ruth Hart and Irene Fuller visited Leonard Fuller.
 Inez Gill visited Myrtle Singleton.
 Betty Gibson visited Sheila Gibson.
 Inez Gill visited George Hancock.
 Janette and Janet Brooks visited Ann Cody.
 Diana Huddleston and Denise Burns visited Carl Henry Burns.
 Fern Bowen and Joyce Barton visited Casey York.
 Lois McRae visited Nettie Moore.

Lais McRae visited Fred Mead.
 Laverne Griffin and Brianna visited Mary Dike.
 Pat and Billie Lindsey visited Gladys Sykes.
 Pat and Billie Lindsey visited Opal Isenburg.
 Emma Fulbright, Ollie Ruth Robinson and Fredrika and David Hudson visited Nina Hudson.
 Debbie Naquin and Reverend Bob Freeman visited Georgia Miller.
 Norma Adams visited Cassidy Oliver.
 Bobby Paris visited Danielle Adams.
 James Jenkins visited Lucy Jenkins.
 Carol Young, Jerry Kellogg, Jalen Foster, Erica McDonald, John Young, Betty and Don Brock and Kate Matthews visited Verona Young.
 Reverend Bob Freeman visited Fred Mead.
 Derrell Stockton and Jean Stockton visited Dorothy Stickton.
 Vernon and Lorene Buster, Maudie and Ruth Lee visited Ada Holmes.
 Richard Swarts visited Inez Hen-son.

Jackie Lynn Knight, Kaleb Merritt, Tonya Tucker and Sherea Roach visited Geraldine Ogg.
 Sue Henry visited Doris Glover.
 Bill and Beverly Capel, Don and Brenda Mewborn, Shelley and Hanna Louderman visited Gladys Garretson.
 Ina Ward visited Stasha Hume.

Bogata Locals

Visiting with Gussie Musick Sunday were Ida May Christopher and Randy Christopher of Clarksville and Melba Joyce Henry of Fort Worth.
 Dixie Stringfellow visited Saturday with Velma Hill and John W. Burns.

Visiting Dixie Stringfellow during the week were Buddy Stringfellow, Beverly Siler, Dan and Vicki Tabb, Bob, Dee and Maggie Richardson, Billy, Kaley, and Kellen Stringfellow, Jimmy Stringfellow, Felina and Jerica White, P.W. Stringfellow and Lindsay and Natalie Nelson.

Jennifer and Riley Reeder spent part of the Labor Day Week-end with Jerry and Gerlyn Gray. Monday they celebrated with a big lunch for Jennifer and Riley, Jessica, Danny and Marli Hines, Judy, Harold, Heather and Heath Holt and Margaret Davis. Jennifer and Riley went back to Dallas Tuesday.

Willie Mae Gray and Linda Gray visited with Jerry and Gerlyn Gray Monday, Labor Day.

Danny Jessica, and Marli Hines visited with Jerry and Gerlyn Gray on Saturday evening. Danny grilled hamburgers for everyone. Sunday Danny, Jessica and Marli, Judy, Heather and Heath Holt had lunch with Jerry and Gerlyn Gray and Margaret Davis.

Saturday morning, Judy Screws

went to Deport to visit and have lunch with her aunt, Johnnie Warren at Deport Nursing Home. Others visiting and enjoying Kentucky Fried Chicken with Mrs. Warren were: Lucy Fowler of Lubbock, Brenda and David Ross of Powderly, and Clyde and Bobbie Slusher of Cunningham. Evelyn Roach of Deport joined the group for a visit after lunch.

Cora Tidwell has just returned home from visiting her son, daughter-in-law and grandson; Neil, Carmen and Nicholas Lovell in Ft. Lauderdale Florida.

Donald and Judy Screws were in Deport Sunday morning to visit with Mike, Lila, Bren, Kara and Hali Screws. It was Hali's birthday, and they were there to wish her a happy birthday. Tana Screws went to Deport on Monday afternoon to take Hali her birthday present.

Loyce and Ed Huddleston were in Corinth from Saturday until Tuesday visiting with their son, Ronnie and Fay Huddleston and family. Sunday they attended church with their granddaughter Annette and Mark Hudson and family and were treated to lunch at Red Lobster. Monday Ronnie had a barbecue to celebrate Loyce's 78th birthday. Other than the hosts the celebration was attended by the Huddleston's grandchildren and great grandchildren.

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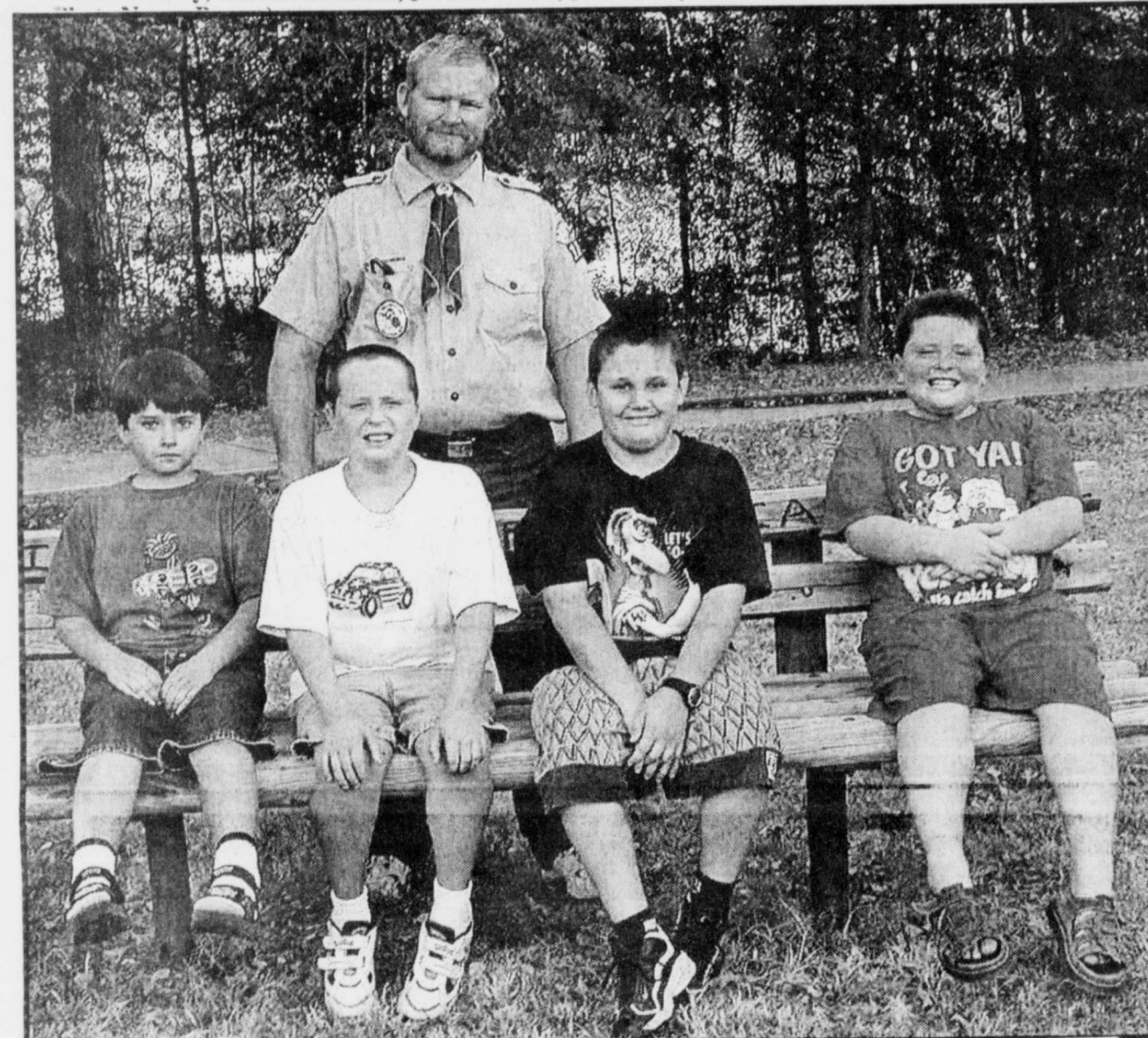
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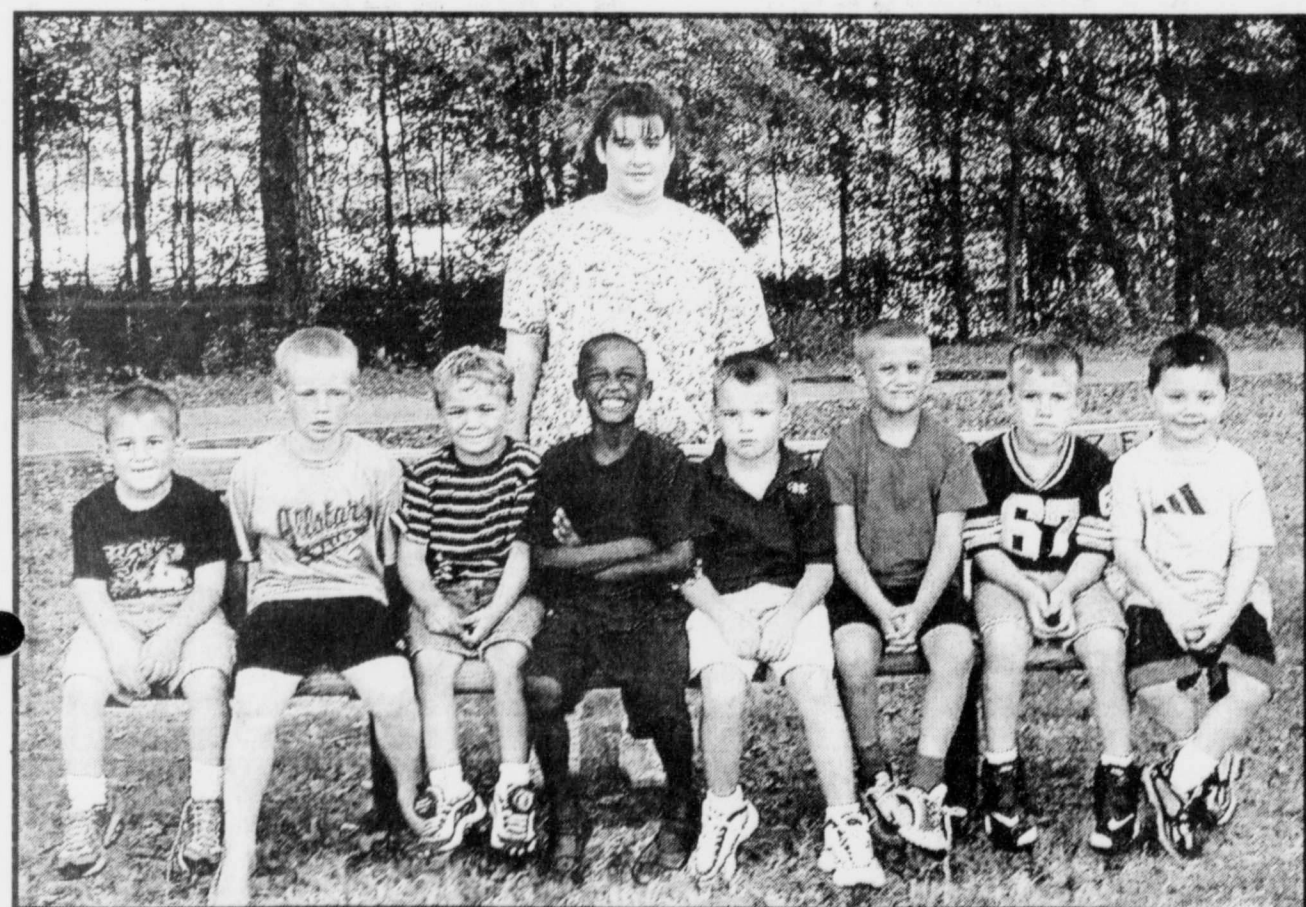
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BEAR AND WOLF SCOUTS-enjoyed their first Boy Scout meeting of the year at Thomas Park in Bogata Tuesday afternoon. All age groups were present to kick off the year with a hot dog supper and play in the park. Special guest of the troops was Larry Burge, Scout Master for the area. Pictured are; Bear and Wolf Leader-Eric Moreno, Larry Burge, Scout Master and (left to right) Chase Richards, Dustin Gentry, Garrett Sheffield, Jordan White, Jesse Ross, Alec Moreno and Dillon Cortez. (Staff



BOGATA WEBELOS-boy scout troop met Tuesday at Thomas Park to begin their year with a hot dog supper and fun in the park. On hand for the meeting of all age scouts was Larry Burge, Scout Master for the area. Pictured are; Larry Burge, (left to right front) Glen Cruise, Jimmy Schmidt, D.J. Gentry and Matthew Thompson. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



THE BOGATA TIGER CUBS-held their first meeting of the year at Thomas Park on Tuesday afternoon. The group along with all the other age groups enjoyed a hot dog cook-out and playing in the park. Pictured are; Assistant Leader-Kelly Harville; (left to right) Jake Sheffield, Jed Burge, Kolten Stringer, DeJuan Mims, Carter Kelsey, Trevor Jesse, Jordan Thompson and Jacob Harville. (Not pictured is troop leader, Angie White) (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Stew cookoff raises \$7746.71

The 2000 Red River County Stew Cookoff was held recently raising \$7746.71, with \$467.00 coming from the Clarksville VFD fish dinner, \$4757.00 from the auction and \$300.00 from the Red River County Wagon Masters Cowboy Poker.

The Clarksville Ag Boosters taking first place. The team consisted of head cook Veronica Stringer and Debbie Barnett, Marlean Drew and Pat Boyd.

Second place went to Smith Cus-

tom Baling with head cook Tommy Smith in charge and assistants were Terry Smith, Philip Smith, Christopher Canant and Kim Johnson.

Third place was Affordable Carpet with head cook Fay Smith and her assistant Thomas Smith.

Skits performed was Midway 4-H Club 1st place; Cuthand 4-H Club 2nd place; and Bogata Girl Scouts 3rd place. Display winners were Affordable Carpet 1st and Dimple 4-H 2nd place.

It's time for PIPS

Forms will be sent out from Talco and Bogata Schools soon to register students in pre-school through 6th grade in the Rivercrest Players In Progress program.

There will be a camp held for those participating on October 7, 2000 at Rivercrest High School gym. For more information contact Lori Franks at 632-5204 during the day or 379-3490 during the evening.

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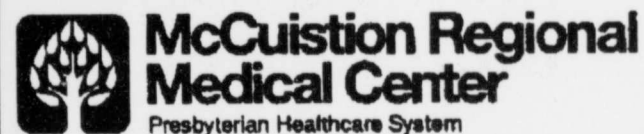
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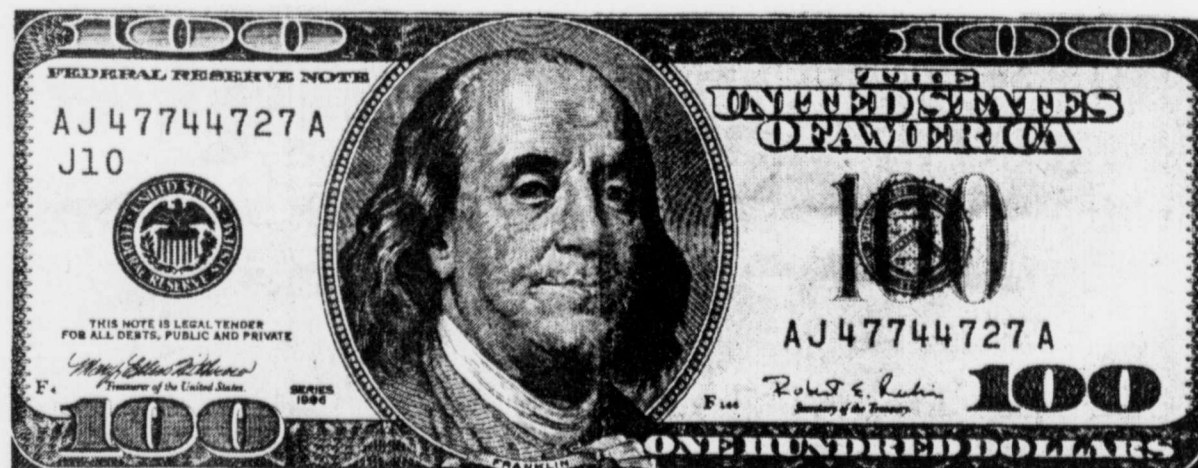
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Red River County Sheriff's Report

September 3-10

September 3: Male arrested on offense of driving while intoxicated and endangerment to a child; report of prowler in Avery; noise disturbance on FM412; suspicious vehicle on FM909; minor accident on FM909; traffic hazard on CR4315; activated alarm on CR1699; theft on 37 north; report of assault; male arrested on offense of aggravated assault.

September 4: Animal complaint on FM410 north; arson on FM410 north; male arrested on offense of driving while intoxicated, no drivers license, no liability insurance, ride not secured by safety belt.

September 5: Report of fire in Bagwell; welfare concern in Bagwell; activated alarm on FM2118; report of assault, family violence in Rugby.

September 6: Minor accident on FM412; animal complaint at intersection of 271 and 37; inmate released with credit for time served; inmate transported to county on offense of fictitious license plate; inmate transported to county jail on offense of theft; assault on 37 north; male arrested on offense of public intoxication.

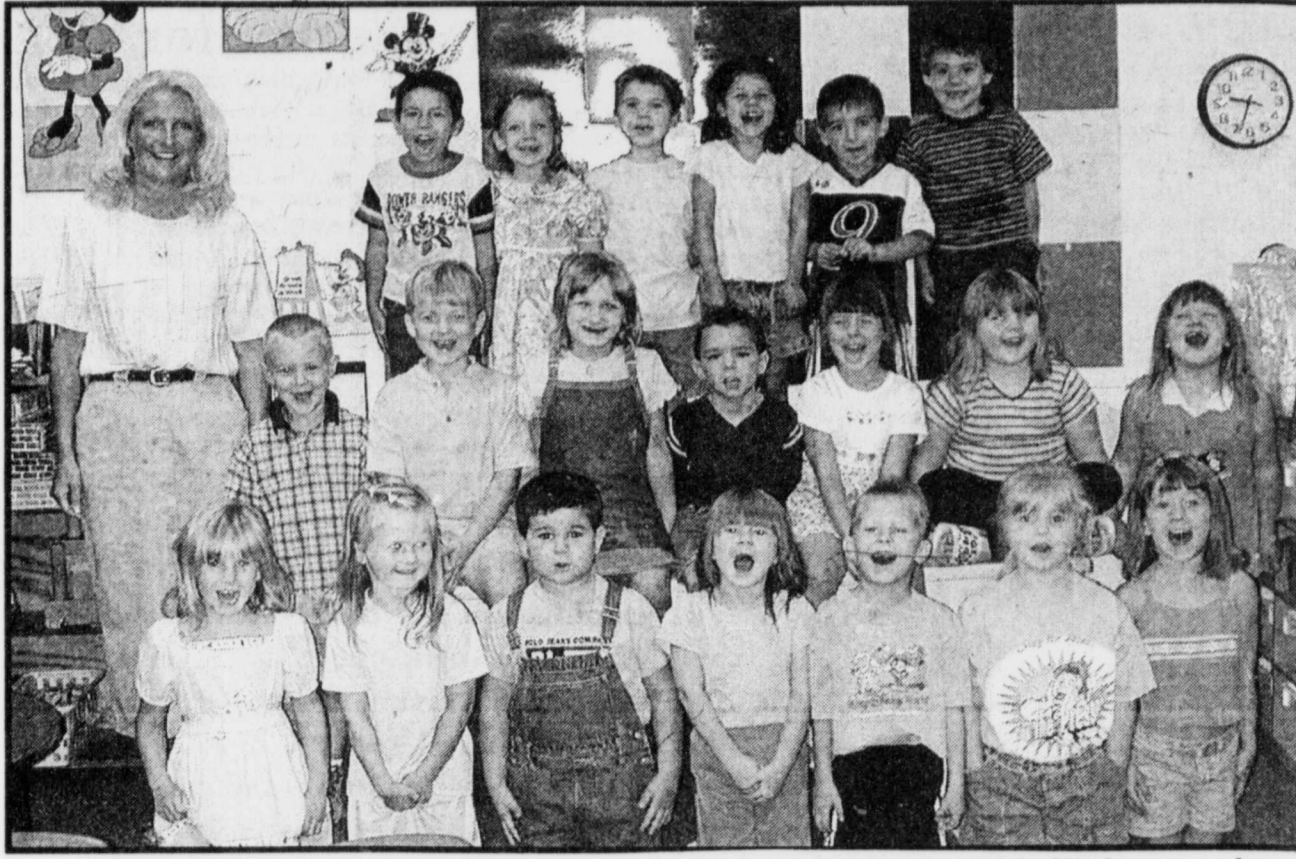
September 7: Inmate transported back to Fannin County; inmate released on bond; burglary of habitation on FM2118; report of endangering a child; burglary of habitation on FM2118; missing juvenile in Woodland area; hunting violation on CR4225; burglary of habitation; acti-

vated alarm in Detroit.

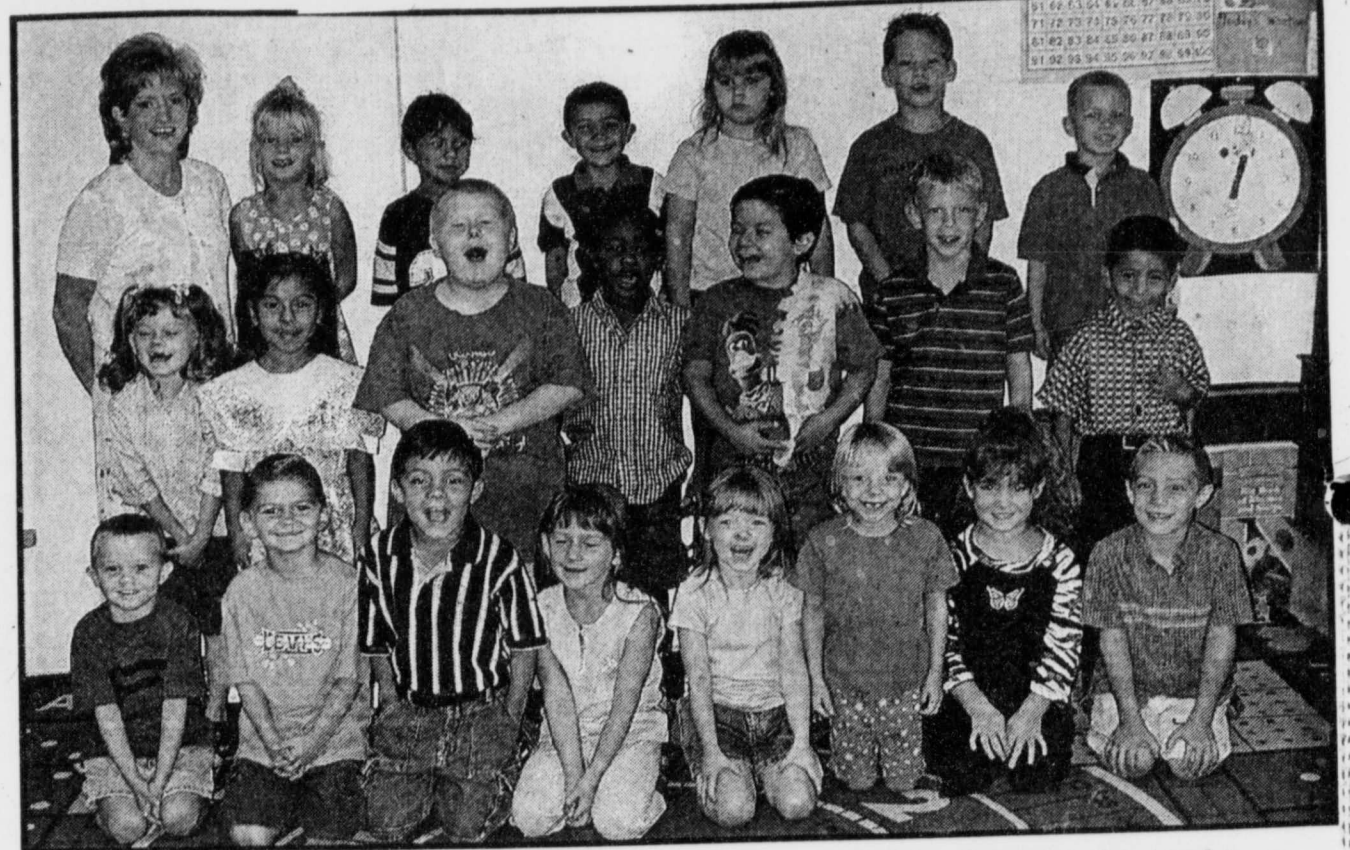
September 8: Bowie County picked up inmate to transport to TDCJ; male arrested on minor in possession of alcohol warrant; responded to evading arrest in Detroit; assault of a child; inmate arrested while confined in Red River County Jail on offense of assault; report of animal complaint.

September 9: Inmate released with time to pay fine; inmate released to Henderson County on their warrants; male arrested on county warrant and Randall County warrant and parole violation; male released on bond.

Red River County Jail currently holds 70 inmates.



CLASS OF 2013-New faces at the Bogata School this year are the members of the Kindergarten class and their teacher, Kathy Brown, who is also new to Bogata. Pictured are; (back row from the left) Samuel Reeves, Valerie Rhoades, Kendall Kelley, Hope Bivins, Kaleb Stringer and Jaden Duck; (middle row from the left) Kathy Brown, Rob Ward, Heath Holt, Tiffany Black, Matt Earley, Bailey Rhodes, Deanna Dauzart and Crissy Hume and (front from the left) Dyna Williams, Lucchese Gordon, Joshua Newsom, Meagan Ewton, Landon Earley, Allix Bronson and Destiny Anderson. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



CLASS OF 2013-new faces at Talco School this year are members of the Kindergarten class taught by Stephanie Wright. Pictured are the class of 2013 (back row from the left) Stephanie Wright, Dakota Parrott, Ralph Guevara, Cristian De la Hoya, Paige Vandever, Eli Hale and Mason Nichols; (middle row from the left) Ashton McGee, Janie Moreno, Johnathon Kay, Kevondrick Savage, Russell Jimenez, Colton Weatherall and Ruben Hernandez and (front from the left) Paden Lum, Jonathan Moore, Christopher Horton, Channen martin, Candace Stansell, Kimberly Parker, Emily Hale and Nathan Thompson. (Photographer's note: to get happy faces and avoid scaring children they are often told to say "Pizza or Cheese". This gets those happy faces even though it seems every picture has children with their mouths open. Each open mouth and happy face is precious. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



CLASS OF 2013-New faces at the Bogata School this year are the members of the Kindergarten class taught by Jamie Huddleston. The group have recently learned the Pledge of Allegiance and were happy to show their flags. Pictured are; (back row from the left) Colby Howard, Dakota Ward, Wesley Davidson, Aaron Kyle, Dustin Rose, Monica Bassett and Morgan Cox; (middle row from the left) Hailey Brown, Chelsey Genung, Aaron Eudy, Chase Wilson, Aaron Whitney, Kellen Stringfellow and Manuel Munoz and (front left to right) Tiffany Moore, Hannah Rhoades, Shyrale Bivins, Carl Brown, Faith Gentry, Bradly Guest and Emily Ward. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



THE BOGATA MISSIONARY BAPTIST MISSION YOUTH HAD THEIR ANNUAL DISCOVERY BLAST OFF AND BALLOON Release Wednesday night, September 6, followed by a time of orientation and then a pizza party. Approximately 70 balloons were released with the name and address of the church, the Club member's name and John 3: 16 attached to them. The Discovery Program is designed for a nine month period in which the Discovery Bible Clubs meet each week for Bible Lesson, Scripture Memory, recreation and refreshments. These Clubs are for ages four through 6th Grade and meet on Wednesday nights from 6:30-8:00. The Teen Discovery also meets at the same time for those in 7th grade through 12th grade. The topics for this semester will deal with Living for Christ in Changing Times and uses the Bible Character, Daniel, as a background and example for the lessons. The lessons are presented in a relaxed and informal atmosphere followed by group discussion and a time of fellowship and refreshments. Dana Neeley will be leading in the lessons and discussion. All youth of the area who are not involved in their own churches on Wednesday nights, are invited to come and enjoy this time of Bible study, fun and fellowship.

New Twist to McCuiston Gala

Plans are underway for the 14th annual McCuiston Regional Medical Center Gala set for Saturday, October 7. Proceeds will go to the McCuiston Endowment Fund whose proceeds are nearing \$1 million. The gala has secured an organization who has the ability to provide

decorations, entertainment, top quality food, servers, wait staff and the reputation to exceed the expectations of all. Eddie Deen and Company have designed a menu larger than any previous events and assure guests a few surprises. Headlining the evening's enter-

tainment will be the Britt Hammond Band, who have opened for country stars like Shenandoah and Tanya Tucker and has a passion for the classics, Tony Bennett, Andy Williams, Nat King Cole and others. Invitations will be mailed in the next week but persons new to the community are encouraged to call 737-1163 or 782-0224 for reservations.

The sword within the scabbard keep, and let mankind agree.
—John Dryden

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September 18-22

- Monday**
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Lunch
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Macaroni & Cheese
Seasoned Beans
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Crackers
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Milk
- Tuesday**
Breakfast
Pancake & Syrup
Juice & Milk
Lunch
Spaghetti With Meat Sauce
Salad
Peas
Crackers
Chocolate Cake
Milk
- Wednesday**
Breakfast
Sausage & biscuit
Jelly & Butter
Juice & Milk
Lunch
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Baked Beans
Fruit
Cornbread
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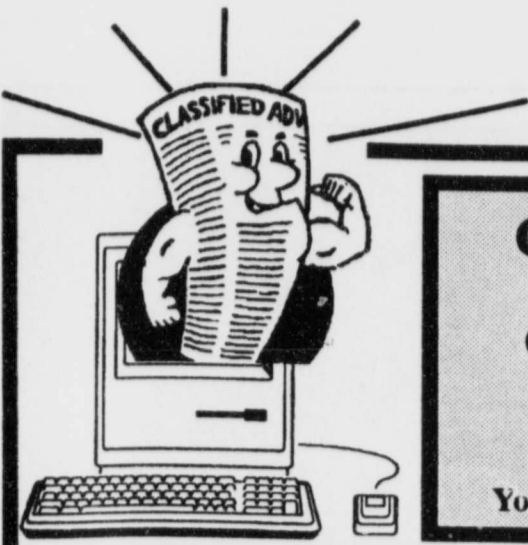


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Letters To Editor

Are kids created equal?

Why does there have to be popularity? Why can't every child have a fair chance to do what the popular kids get to do day after day, year after year? I wish someone could find a solution for this because I feel that if every child had a chance you would have kids with more confidence and higher self esteem.

I work with young children sometimes. Last week I was at a meeting with some girls between the ages of nine and eleven. One of the girls came into our meeting a little late. I noticed when she came in that she was quieter than usual, but got busy with the meeting and didn't pay any attention until later. After our meeting all the children went outside for some activities. This young girl squatted down beside a column in front of the building. She told us that her stomach was hurting. I went over to her and asked had it just started. She said it had been hurting all day. I told her I hoped she wasn't getting the virus that was going around, but a few minutes later she stood up and started talking about school. She told us that they had had some kind of election that day, but she hadn't been elected because only the popular kids got elected for everything. I told the young girl, "Honey, I'm sorry to have to tell you this, but what you're saying is as true as can be, and will probably be true 'til whenever. But always remember that we are all equal in God's eyes. There are no popular and unpopular people."

But she said, "But it's not fair. I can't help that I'm poor, but if I had a chance I could do the things the popular kids do." I thought to myself that this was what was wrong with her stomach. She was upset about the election. Isn't that so sad?

I don't know how you would change this popularity stuff, but I wish I knew a way. Because the poor unpopular children never get a chance to prove themselves, because they never get chosen for anything. Please don't get me wrong, it's not that I don't like the popular kids because I do. I just wish they could all be created equal.

Thank you,
Linda Eilers

Public Notices

Notice of Public Meeting
OCTOBER 30, 2000
Housing Authority
Community Center
The Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998 requires the Housing Authority of the City of Talco to prepare a Five Year Plan an Annual Plan covering operations of the Public Housing. On October 30, 2000 at 7:00 p.m. the Board of Commissioners for the Talco Housing Authority will hold a public meeting to receive comments on the Housing Authority's Five-year Plan and Annual Plan. The meeting will take place at the Talco Housing Authority Community Center located at 300 E. Wilson.

The draft plans and all supporting documentation are available to the public for viewing at the following locations and times:

Talco City Hall
400 W. Broad St.
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Talco Housing Authority
300 E. Wilson
Wed. 9-12:30

9-14

Dear Nanalee,

I would like for the readers to see for themselves what happens when animals are discarded, like litter, on the side of the road. My husband and I found 5 puppies between Cuthand and Boxelder at Kickapoo Creek. Actually it was about a half a mile from the creek. These animals were without water or food for quite a while, due to the fact that they are very young and can't find or fend for themselves. All this because some _____ can't take the responsibility of having pets.

We all know it has been over 100 degrees and too hot for the young or old of any animal to stand it without water or food; not to mention, the fire ants have eaten on their stomachs. It is quite a horrible sight.

I only hope we got to them in time and will be able to save them. But, I'm not very hopeful. Maybe the soul of the person or persons that left these pups to die is already condemned...I hope so! If I had my way, that person would be placed somewhere with triple digit temps, no food or water. I would wait until they were just skin and bones, then bring them in, get them well, and start all over again!! If people don't want puppies, they need to get their pets SPAYED OR NEUTERED! If pups are an accident, take them to the Humane Society, for a chance of going to a family. Responsible people don't just throw away animals.

If any readers want to see first hand just how bad these poor little creatures look, they are at my house in Cuthand. Come by and see for yourself. Also, say a little prayer, that we might be able to save them all.

Sincerely,
Ray and Linda Tabb.



STARVED and sick, these five puppies were thrown away much like garbage. Found in 100 plus heat, fire ants had stung them. Ray and Linda Tabb rescued the puppies and are trying to save their lives. Dumping of animals is never a solution.

Editor's Note: Hear, Hear, to the Tabbs. They say what I have said for years. Only two weeks ago someone did me the "favor" of dumping a very tiny little kitten, which was severely sunburned in this terrible heat before I found it. There are better ways to treat helpless animals!

Volunteers needed

Red River Healthcare activity department is looking for volunteers!

If you know of a band or group who would like to come play and sing for the residents please call or come by the Healthcare center. Anyone interested in playing the piano one or two days a week for our Rhythm Band is asked to please call Darnell Davis at 632-5479.

Church adult and youth groups interested in providing a program are also encouraged to call and set up a time to visit. Please help us provide activities and entertainment for the residents of Red River Healthcare. You will be glad you did!

Evangelist preaches in Panama

Bryan Hodge, evangelist for the Church of Christ in Talco, recently went to the Republic of Panama to conduct a gospel meeting.

Bryan lived there as a child in the 1970's and his father was transferred there while employed with the Army Air Force Exchange Service.

The Balboa Church of Christ in Panama City has been in existence for nearly 100 years. The congregation was dealt a strong blow last year when many of its American members were transferred elsewhere when control of the canal reverted to Panamanian authorities. There are five other Spanish speaking congregations in Panama City that weren't nearly as affected by Americans leaving. Bryan preached a four day gospel

meeting and had many personal one-to-one Bible studies throughout the week that he was there. The meeting was advertised with a door knocking campaign. The meeting was attended by many who heard the gospel for the first time. The theme for the meeting was "The New Testament Church."

The people who heard the lessons were not only from Panama, but also from Honduras, Ecuador, Columbia and Venezuela. Lessons were presented with a translation. In the free time he had, he went fishing, shopping and visiting with a few folks he knew as a child.

He plans to return to Panama again next year.

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<p>EGGS Grade A Large 69¢ Doz.</p>	<p>CAMPBELL'S CREAM OF MUSHROOM SOUP 10 oz. 79¢</p>	<p>KRAFT SLICED CHEESE 12 Oz. PP \$1.99 \$1.79</p>	<p>HEINZ KETCHUP 24 Oz. Squeeze Btl. 99¢</p>	<p>PARADE MARGARINE 4 Stick 3/\$1</p>	<p>UNDERWOOD DEVILED HAM SPREAD 4.25 Oz. 99¢</p>	<p>DEVILED CHICKEN SPREAD 4.25 Oz. 99¢</p>	<p>TOTAL RAISIN BRAN CEREAL pp \$2.79 18 Oz. \$2.19</p>
<p>VIVA PAPER TOWELS Reg. Roll 89¢</p>	<p>FAMILY STYLE BREAD Large Loaf 79¢</p>	<p>GOLDEN ROYAL MILK Gal. 2% & Homo \$2.79</p>	<p>HONEY BOY PINK SALMON 14.5 Oz. \$1.39</p>	<p>PARADE BUTTERMILK BISCUITS 4/\$1</p>	<p>TOTAL CEREAL PP \$2.79 \$2.19</p>	<p>FAMILY STYLE HAMBURGER & HOT DOG BUNS 8 Ct. 79¢</p>	<p>COKE, DIET COKE, SPRITE DR. PEPPER, DIET DR. PEPPER 2 Liter \$1.19 3 Liter \$1.69 12 Pk. \$3.89 6 Pk. 16 Oz. Btls. \$2.49</p>
<p>MIRACLE WHIP SALAD DRESSING 32 Oz. \$2.29</p>	<p>LAY'S POTATO CHIPS Reg. \$1.49 99¢</p>	<p>OAK FARMS ICE CREAM 5 Qt Pail \$4.99</p>	<p>PARADE ORANGE JUICE 12 Oz. Frozen 69¢</p>	<p>BLUE BELL YOGURT 1/2 Gal. DIET & LIGHT ICE CREAM ALL FLAVORS \$3.49</p>	<p>TIDE WITH BLEACH Laundry Detergent 33 Load \$6.29</p>	<p>PRODUCE GREEN BANANAS 39¢ Lb. ONIONS 3/\$1 YELLOW ONIONS 29¢ Lb. POTATOES 10 Lb. Bag \$1.59 COLORADO PINTO BEANS 49¢ Lb. CANTALOUPE 99¢ Each</p>	<p>NABISCO OREOS & DOUBLE STUFF OREOS 1 Lb. 4 Oz. \$2.49</p>