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Why do we get so uptight?
I had to call someone the other day, and their answering machine was on. I listened to their message in amazement, because they sounded so tense and abrupt. This person is normally one of the most easy going, warm spoken people I know.

That set me to thinking about things, and I played back our Thunder Prairie Publishing message. Sure enough, I didn't sound a bit like myself.

Think about all those machine messages you hear. Whether they call it "voice mail" (which is a new word for answering machines) or something else, we stammer and stumble over our words, cut them off short, and generally don't sound like we usually do!

What is it about being recorded that makes us unsure of ourselves? If we answer the phone personally we don't sound that way. We sound out our "hellos" gladly and in a friendly tone of voice.

But put a written "script" in front of us, and we immediately feel on stage and begin to tense up!

Of course, not everyone is this way. I know one man whose message is short and to the point, "you know what to do after the beep" he says, and that's it.

There are those machines that have the electronic voices. They don't stammer, but they are stilted and strange. They also effectively conceal the identity of the person doing the message, which can be a good thing in today's society.

But, as we all know there are all kinds of answering machines, all kinds of pre-recorded messages, and all kinds of home recorded messages.

And, as we all know, most of us simply do not feel comfortable being recorded on them! I don't know why. I just know that is the way it is!

Serving Local Businesses and Local People

Talco Times

66TH YEAR, No. 48 TALCO, TITUS COUNTY, TEXAS Thursday, October 31, 2002 50¢

Grant awarded to Red River County Courthouse

Recently uncovered decorative hand painting, hidden for years beneath layers of paint in the Red River County courthouse, has been given new life, thanks to a supplemental grant from the Texas Historical Commission. The \$377,443 grant was the largest awarded by THC commissioners at their October quarterly meeting in Austin.

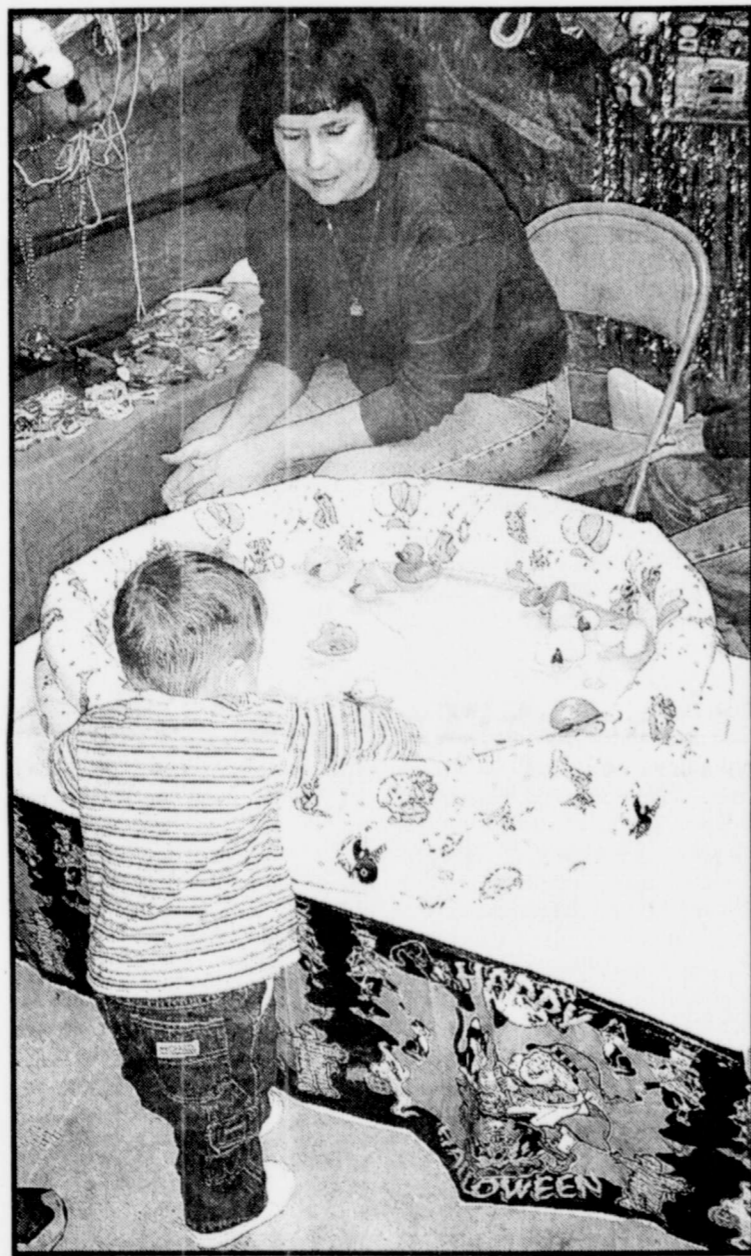
The words "Thou Shall Not Bear False Witness" in gold leaf extended above the original location of the judge's bench, which was relocated during 1910 alter-

ations that painted over the phrase and other decorative finishes. The judge's bench will be returned to its original location, giving due prominence to the uncovered artwork. Coffered beamed ceilings, faux cherry and walnut wood graining, hand carved wood finials and decorative hand painting contribute to the courthouse's unique Victorian character.

The THC awarded Red River County an initial grant of \$3,472,614 in Round I of the Texas Historic Courthouse Preservation Program in May, 2000.



THE RED RIVER COUNTY Civic Chorus performed at the rededication of the Red River County Courthouse Saturday afternoon, and again at the First Presbyterian Church Sunday morning. It was all part of the Fall Bazaar and Rededication of the Courthouse. (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)



CARNIVAL FUN-Jaden Brown, son of Jack and Jennifer Brown loved picking up ducks at the Sugar Hill Community Center Halloween Carnival held Saturday evening. The carnival was just part of the fun since the evening included a stew/chili supper, bingo and pie and cake auction. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Bogata Methodist Bazaar approaching fast

The annual Bazaar of the Bogata Methodist Church is fast approaching, November 9, 2002. The usual, children's toys, quilts, Christmas gifts and decoration will be available for purchase. And, don't forget the delicious baked goods, by the good cooks. In the baked goods department there will also be candy corn and other candies. The Church Cookbooks and the selection of knives will also be available.

There are three quilts: a beautiful mauve print and solid that was pieced by Anna Belle Patton (full size) and a colorful tiny squares (Queen size), for silent

love and hope everyone gets to see it. A crew of four to six ladies quilt every Wednesday to finish these quilts. Most of the ladies of the church have tickets for sale. The annual stew lunch will be served from 11 am to 1 pm. Adult plates will be \$4 and Children under 12 will be \$3. Carry out tray will be available. Everyone is invited to attend this year's bazaar for a delicious stew lunch, to purchase special hand-made gifts, candies and baked goods and so much more. Plus, your ticket could win you this year's special, beautiful quilt.

The prize quilt is a large Partiotic colored star shape which was pieced by Betty Puckett. It has an interesting story, as she purchased a kit with the fabric already cut about five years ago. It was difficult to match all the pieces as they should be (especially for a perfectionist). After 9-11, Betty wanted to get it finished for the prize this year. She had taken out so much of her sewing that some of the material was ruined. She found plenty of red, white and blue and finished the quilt, making it bigger with trim to match what she had used. We are proud of this labor of

Taylor Landreth wins slogan contest

Taylor Landreth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Landreth of Bogata and 4th grade student in Kristi Purviance's class at Rivercrest Elementary was the winner of the Rivercrest Elementary Slogan Contest. Taylor and her class will be awarded a pizza party. A banner with the winning slogan, "The Tradition Begins Here" was purchased and is hanging on the stage in the Elementary cafeteria. Congratulations Taylor!!

Rivercrest Elementary
The Tradition Begins Here!



SLOGAN CONTEST WINNER-Taylor Landreth was the winner of the Rivercrest Elementary Slogan Contest. Her slogan, "The Tradition Begins Here" had been

printed on a banner and hung in the school cafeteria. Taylor will receive a special award for her efforts. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Landreth of Bogata. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

ETMC to hold Prayer Circle

ETMC-Clarksville will have a Veteran's Day Prayer Circle on Veteran's Day, Monday, November 11. The ceremony will be a tribute to all veterans, young and old.

Everyone is invited to join in the ceremony, which will be conducted at the ETMC-Clarksville flagpole at 10 a.m. Refreshments will be served in the dining room following the ceremony.

Editor's Quotes

Too Late-There is a wealth of unexpressed love in the world. It is one of the chief causes of sorrow evoked by death: what might have been said or might have been done that never can be said or done. *Arthur Hopkins*

DPS issues Halloween reminder

With scary ghouls and goblins on the way, the Texas Department of Public Safety is reminding Texans to be safe and responsible this coming Halloween.

"Halloween is a fun time for both children and adults, but oftentimes people act or drive carelessly or are not aware of their surroundings," said Col. Thomas A. Davis Jr., director of the DPS.

On Halloween of 2000, there were 546 injuries and 11 fatalities in Texas. Motorists are urged to drive slowly in neighborhoods and to be on the lookout for trick-or-treaters.

Safety tips for pedestrians include:

- *Look both ways before crossing roadways. Always walk, don't run.
- *Cross the roadway at intersections and crosswalks when possible.
- *Avoid toy guns and knives-- they

could be mistaken for the real thing.

- *Wear costumes that are light in color, and short enough to avoid tripping.
- *Reflective material of some kind on the costume is strongly encouraged.
- *Avoid masks- use face paint instead for better visibility and peripheral vision.
- *Travel in groups with adult supervision.
- *Do not enter the cars and homes of strangers. Avoid homes without visible porch lights.
- *Carry a flashlight and make sure an adult accompanies small children. Exercise caution when crossing streets.
- *Never trick-or-treat in unfamiliar areas.
- *Take all treats home for an adult to inspect before eating anything. Never eat unwrapped candy.

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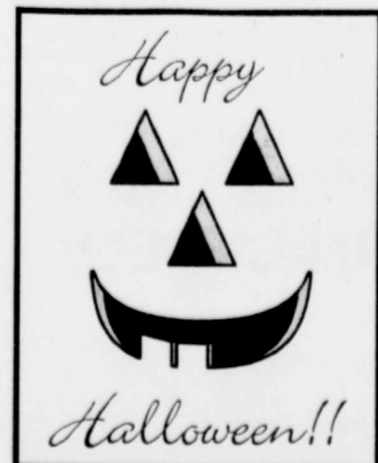
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Angel Tree begun

The annual Angel Tree Christmas Drive has begun in Red River County for disadvantaged children ages 12 and under.

Applications will be available November 1 at the Annona, Avery, Bagwell, Bogata and Detroit Post Offices and the Clarksville Times office.

They should be completed and returned to the above locations along with verification of income no later than December 6. All applications will be screened for eligibility and failure to furnish verification of income may result in your child/children being deemed ineligible.



Bogata churches are holding Harvest Carnival

Bogata churches will be holding their Harvest Carnival on October 31 from 6 to 8 p.m. at the First Baptist Church.

Lots of games and prizes will be on hand and admission is free, along with hot dogs, cookies and punch.

Bring your kids and trick or treat at the Community Harvest Carnival.

The event is sponsored by the First United Methodist Church, First Assembly of God and the First Baptist Church of Bogata.



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 Morning Worship 11 a.m.

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 in my
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 Sunday evening 6 p.m.
 Wed. Bible Study 7 p.m.

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RIVERCREST CROSS COUNTRY- Coach and team competed at the District Meet in Prairiland Saturday morning. Pictured are; (back from the left) Stephanie Williams, Coach Debbie Williams, Brandon Buchanan who placed 4th in the Varsity boys race and Erica Williams; (middle from the left) Casey Hammonds, who won 1st place in the Varsity girls race, Rachel Case, Tina Carder, Mandy Crawford and Nikki Jones who won 1st place in the JV girls Division and (front) Danielle Easterling. All members of the group will travel to Huntsville this weekend for the Regional meet.



FIRST PLACE!-The Lady Rebel Cross Country team won first place at the District meet held in Prairiland Saturday morning. Pictured are; (back) Coach Debbie Williams; (middle from the left) Vicki Schmidt, Vallery Schmidt, Torrie Grissom and Rachel Smith and (front) Susan Smith. Congratulations girls!! (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



RUN, RUN-the seventh grade Prairiland Patriots and Rivercrest Rebels had quite a game last Thursday night. (Staff Photo by Nancy Brown)

Rivercrest JV takes Pats

The Prairiland Patriot's Jr. Varsity traveled to Rivercrest Thursday night. The night's game proved to be a defensive ball game with the Rebels scoring the only touchdown of the game.

The Pats defensive team played hard with Cody Platt getting 3 quarterback sacks along with several other tackles. The whole line was busy, each doing

their part. Aaron Cheney, Justin Wright, Bill Robertson, Marty Anderson, Landon Woodall, Devin Phillips, Cole White, Matthew Owen, Matt Hostetler, Cody Withers, and Kenneth Applegate all made it a team effort on defense.

On defense, was the key phrase though because the Pats just couldn't make it across the goal

line. They made it to the four yard line but came up short. But considering the fact that Rivercrest doesn't even have a varsity squad, I think the young Patriots did a good job against the Rebels' finest. The final score was 0-6. The JV will play their last home game this Thursday night against Cooper.

Rivercrest takes first, second and places for Regional at Cross Country meet Saturday

The Rivercrest Lady Rebel Junior High; JV Lady Rebel; Varsity Lady Rebel and Rebel Cross Country runners traveled to Prairiland Saturday morning for the District competition.

In the Junior High Division Susan Smith came in 2nd for the Lady Rebels with a time of 14:02 followed by Torrie Grissom at 3rd with a time of 14:04. Rachel Smith placed 11th with 15:56; Vikki Schmidt placed 12th with 16:12 and Vallery Schmidt placed 14th with 17:17 to give the team First place in the District! Coach Debbie Williams was very proud of her young runners and was there to encourage each one and meet each one at the finish line.

In the JV Girls Division, Rivercrest's Nikki Jones took a huge win over the competition, placing first with a time of 16:35. Coach Williams was all smiles after this big win for Nikki and the Lady Rebels.

In the Varsity Division is was a run away for Lady Rebel Casey Hammonds who placed first all alone with a time of 13:37! Stephanie Williams place 6th with 14:26; Danielle Easterling finished strong overtaking two runners at the finish with a time of

14:33 and placing 9th; Rachel Case placed 14th with a time of 14:48; Mandy Crawford placed 15th with 15:35; Tina Carder placed 21st with 15:58 and Erica Williams placed 22nd with 16:07.

The Lady Rebels took second place in the meet with 48 points. Prairiland was the first place team with 45 points. Cooper place third with 54 points and Chisum placed 4th with 72 points.

In the Varsity Boys Division,

the lone Rebel runner, Brandon Buchanan placed 4th and will be competing at the Regional Meet this year. Brandon's time was 19:57.

Coach Williams and the Lady Rebel Varsity and Rebel, Brandon will set their goals toward a Regional medal in Huntsville, Texas this Saturday, November 2, 2002. Good Luck teams and congratulations on a good season!

Junior Pee Wee's in 1st

The Rivercrest PeeWee Junior (2-4 grade) football team is advancing to the Super Bowl playoffs.

Playoffs will start at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, November 2, 2002, at the Swamp. The junior team has an excellent chance of going all the way to the superbowl this year which will be played in Paris on November 12.

The Junior Team is in third place in their division. They will play at 4 p.m. on November 2, 2002.

There will be a peeewe pep rally on Friday November 1. Look for signs at the local stores for the pep rally time and place. Come out and support your local youth and have a good time.



Good Luck Teams!

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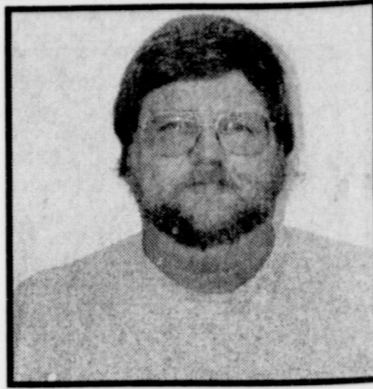
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William H. Brown running as Write In Candidate, Pct. 1

William H. Brown of Bogata announced his candidacy for Red River County Commissioner, Precinct 1 as a Write In Candidate. Brown was born in Red River County and has lived in Red River County most of his life. He graduated from Rivercrest High School in 1974. Brown is married to Linda Gale Howard of Talco and she is employed at Rivercrest Elementary School.

The Browns have made their home in Bogata for the past 12 years. Brown's Parents are the late W.H. (Happy) Brown and Mildred Brown are also of Bogata. Brown is running as an independent Write In Candidate on the November 5th ballot.

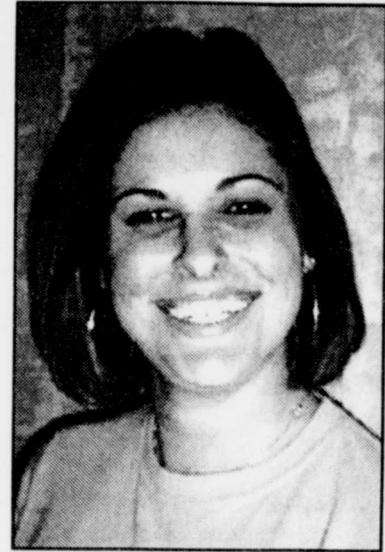


William H. Brown, Write In Candidate for R.R.C. Pct. 1 Commissioner

Revival services at Hickory Hill

Hickory Hill Baptist Church, 125 S. Main, Avinger, has set aside November 3-6 for Fall Revival services. Pastor Joe Hocking will serve as evangelist. Congregational singing and special music will be held at each service. Sunday services will be at 11:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. with Monday through Wednesday services at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend and share the blessings. For more information call 903-562-1613 or 903-797-3677.

Did You Know?
Volunteer Fire Departments With First Responder Units have found that 50% to 75% of their calls are MEDICAL!



Cara Morgan



Dean Ward

Morgan named vice-president

Cara Morgan has been named Vice-President of the Southwest Texas State University chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists. As Vice-President, Cara will be traveling to high schools and junior colleges in the Austin/San Antonio area to recruit students and promote the mission of the SPJ. The SPJ is dedicated to the continuation of a free press as the cornerstone of our nation and liberty. Their mission is to encourage a climate in which journalism can be practiced freely and to inspire talented individuals to become journalists. The SPJ at SWT will be holding two panel discussions this semester. At these discussions journalism students will be allowed to speak one-on-one with professionals in all media fields as they give tips on getting through interviews and creating a solid portfolio.

The SPJ officers will also be attending workshops through out the year to better themselves as journalists and to share the information they have gathered with the SPJ community. The SPJ at SWT was named 2000-2001 Outstanding Campus Chapter of the Texas and Oklahoma region for the second year in a row. Cara is striving to do her job to the best of her ability and the group is working to receive the award again in the future. Cara is in her third year at SWT and majoring in print journalism with a minor in media studies. When she is not out promoting the SPJ, she is a film critic for The Daily University Star and life-guard at the Aqua Sports Center. Cara is the daughter of Vandy and Elaine Morgan of Bogata and a 2000 graduate of Rivercrest High School.

Dean Ward celebrates 5

Dean Ward turned 5 years old September 4, 2002. He celebrated his birthday Sunday, September 1, 2002 at Cypress Springs Lake with Pokemon as the theme of his party. Everyone attending enjoyed hot dogs with all the trimmings, Pokemon cake and ice cream. The kids played in the water all afternoon while the adults enjoyed visiting and watching them. Attending were: Dean's parents, Marty and Rachel Ward and little sister, Marta, Papa and Nanny (Gene and Cecelia Smith), Auntie Kim Hatley and cousins, Kaleb and Kaysie Hatley, Uncle Todd and Aunt Jamie Ward, cousins, Jalee and Jacob Ward, Great Aunt, Lou Hall and cousins, Clay, Chasity and Caley Francis and Camen Calvin, Brooke Bishop, Sharon Francis, Cody Wolfe, Junior and Jeannie Primm, Shaunda, Nikki and Breann Lewis. Everyone had a great time and Dean received lots of fun toys.

Seven homes to be toured in Christmas Parade of Homes

The Annual Parade of Homes has been set for December 12, 2002. The event is sponsored by the Bogata Missionary Baptist Church and will begin at 6:00 p.m. with a candlelight dinner followed by the tour. Tickets this year will be \$20 per person and they will be available November 1, 2002. Seven homes will be toured this year including: Sherry Huddleston's; Duane and Martha Bryson's; Jerry and Jannette Brooks; Curtis and June Young's;

Mike and Mollie Williams'; Mike and Kim Fields and Randy and Christy Kennedy's. Tickets will be available November 1, 2002. To reserve your tickets or for more information call: Donnie Lewis at 903-632-5387; Dana Neeley at 903-632-5762 or Mary Lou Daniels at 903-632-9948. Any church member can also help you. The homes promise to be beautiful and the meal delicious. Plan to attend for a wonderful evening.

Hunter Fun Date set at Cunningham

Hunting season is here! Come for a day of fun for all hunters on November 9th, at Cunningham. Fun starts with the Stew Cook Off at 11:00 a.m. with judging at 4:30 P.M.. At 1:00 P.M.. There will be a Skeet and Horseshoe tournament with cash prizes. Entry fee is \$5. At 6:00 P.M.. There will be a gun give away. Anyone wishing to participate may call 652-2672 or 652-0217. It is sponsored by the Cunningham Volunteer Fire Department and Community Center.

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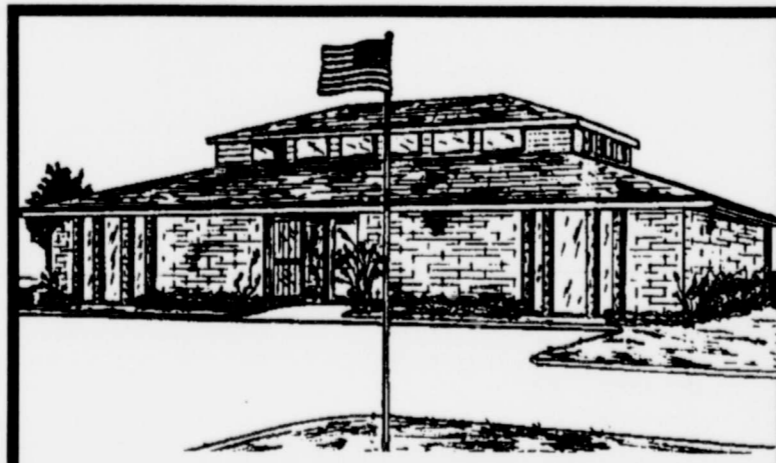
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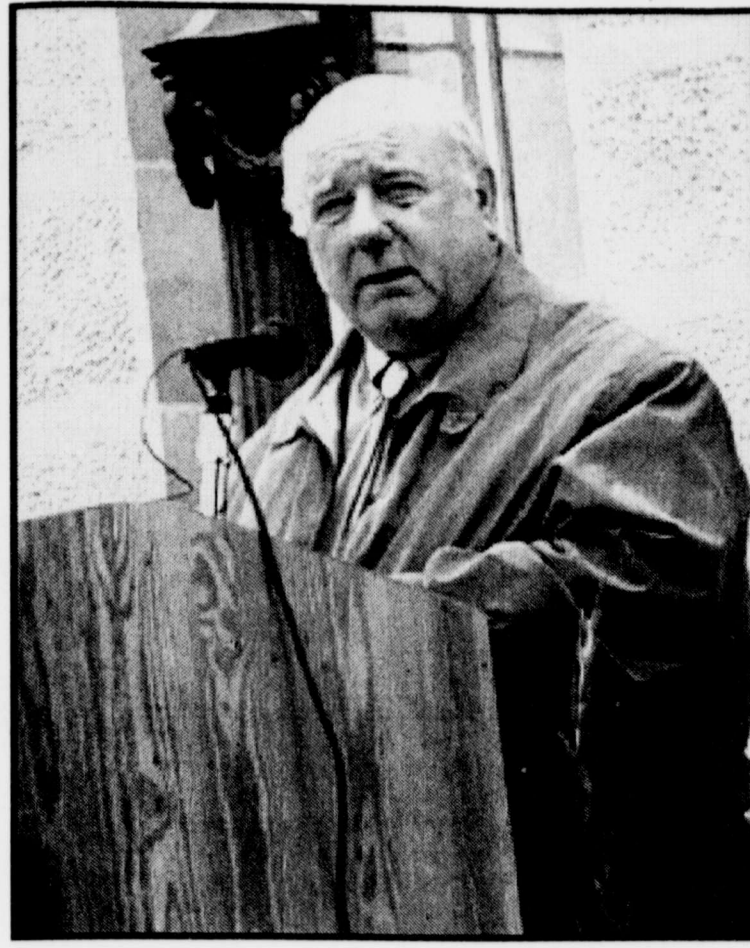
As a rural resident of Lamar County whose safety is supposedly a concern of Judge Superville, I find it ironic that many of the Paris firefighters are openly supporting Superville over Paris Mayor Michael Pfister who is running for the office of county judge.

The nineteen volunteer fire departments in Lamar County get a paltry \$82,000 from the county budget annually to provide fire protection for half the population of Lamar County. Seventy-one percent of the Paris firefighters live outside the city of Paris in Lamar County, a City which just budgeted \$3.8 million for the fire department serving the other half of the citizens of Lamar County in Paris. It seems strange to me that Paris firefighters who have made such a "safety" issue about some small budget reductions in the Paris budget can support a county judge candidate who does so little for the safety of 71% of their families who must rely on the volunteer fire departments outside the city of protection.

It seems to me that Paris has been very proactive in building new fire stations, buying new equipment, adding additional firefighters, paying for training and compensating their personnel very well. If the Paris firefighters are so unhappy with their pay and can be paid so much more by leaving, then why aren't they leaving?

I will tell you who is leaving. There is a revolving door in the Lamar County Sheriff's Department. Living in the county I am well aware of this need. We need someone who will address the safety needs of those of us who live outside the city of Paris. Our volunteer fire departments desperately need support as do the men and women of the Lamar County Sheriff's Department.

Sincerely,
Renata Thompson



THE HONORABLE JIM LOVETT, Chairman of the Courthouse Restoration Committee, spoke briefly at the rededication ceremony at the Red River County Courthouse Saturday. Featured speaker was the Reverend Raymond Judd, Jr. Chaplain Emeritus, Trinity university.



THE STAR OF THE SHOW! This gorgeous Star Quilt will be drawn for at the BogataMethodist Church Bazaar November 9th. (Staff Photo by nancy Brown)

Williams girls meet

Daughter Willie Clark and granddaughters of the late Earnest and Iva McConnell Williams met for a weekend of fun Friday, October 25.

Willie, her daughter and nieces bombarded the home of Charles and Annette Skaggs and invited Charles, John and Bobby to eat supper with them. They were going to roast Dot Peek and Bobby Williams since they were the oldest grandchildren, but decided they were too old to roast. Annette crowned Aunt Willie as the Queen Bee of the weekend.

Bernice Hartman, the youngest daughter of Papaw and Mamaw will regret she was unable to attend, along with the granddaughters that missed. After eating, John and Bobby were sent home and Charles was gracious enough to spend the next two nights in their motor home.

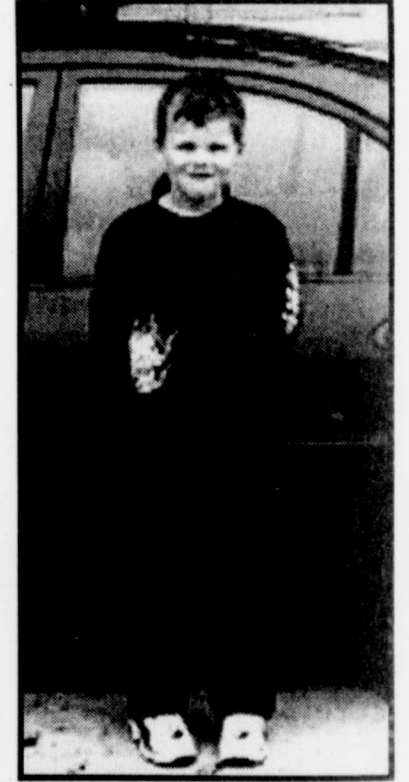
The girls got into their PJ's and watched a video for the style show, Betty Tyson daughter of the late Nola Williams Blount put together when they gathered at her home in March. Saturday morning the crew met at Odetha Clark's home where she and Kathy Sue Williams fixed breakfast. Afterwards, Dot Peek, Betty Tyson daughters of Nola, Sharon Francis, Patsy Moles daughters of Son, Odetha Clark daughter of

Willie, Kathy Williams, Betty Williams wives of Andy and Bobby, Joyce Tolison, Annette Skaggs and Carol English daughters of Lewis went to Clarksville for the courthouse dedication. Betty and Dot had to return to Louisiana but the rest traveled to Cuthand. Sharon and her crew stopped to pick up Mary Ellen Cain, not a Williams, while the rest stopped by Cuthand Cemetery where Papaw and Mamaw are buried. After visiting the family and Vickie Bryant's graves, they traveled CR1412 to John and Carol English's home. John had a barbecue fit for a king with all the trimmings. Lillian Watkins, Wesley and Katie Watkins, Charles Skaggs, Bobby Williams and grandsons O.J. King, Brandon Williams and Matthew met them there. Following the meal they headed back to Annette's, traveling another nice road 1410 and stopping by Jessica Whitney's home to say hello to her and children.

The group enjoyed another night of fun and laughter with a game of train, pocorn and a movie.

On Sunday morning, all began leaving to go back to their homes.

The group will meet again at the home of Benny and Dot Peek for their next get together.



Michael Ross Murphy

Michael Ross celebrates seven

Michael Ross Murphy, the son of Michael Paul and Cami Murphy of Bagwell and the grandson of James and Linda Eilers of Cuthand celebrated his seventh birthday at his home in Bagwell Sunday, October 20, 2002.

Time was spent playing games and trying to break a pinnate. Twenty-two guest attended. Michael receive a lot of neat gifts.

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ELECTION ALERT!

BILL RATLIFF & MARVIN NICHOLS!

If, like some of us, you've been following controversial local news in recent months, then you're certainly familiar with the heated debate swirling around the proposed Marvin Nichols Reservoir and plans for other Sulphur River reservoirs, for water that would be piped, at great cost, to DFW consumers. The people of Northeast Texas have adequate water supplies and do not need these additional destructive lakes.

On Sept. 16, Governor Rick Perry told *The Dallas Morning News*, "It appears to me that if Dallas solely relies upon the building of Marvin Nichols, they could miscalculate....I think we need to be looking for other alternatives to Marvin Nichols." The Governor favors the construction of more technologically efficient desalination plants along the Texas Gulf Coast. Marvin Nichols Reservoir might have been an option for water supply 35 years ago, but in today's world Marvin Nichols is a dinosaur of technology. Gov. Perry's opponent Tony Sanchez told the *"Dallas Morning News"*, "I don't want to take local control of water away from people."

On Aug. 2, U.S. Congressman Max Sandlin of Marshall and State Representatives Barry Telford of DeKalb, Mark Homer of Paris, Tom Ramsay of Mt. Vernon and Bob Glaze of Gilmer issued a joint-statement to Region D waterplanners to postpone any further action regarding Marvin Nichols. Sandlin's opponent John Lawrence of Pittsburg, Telford's opponent Dan Teafatiller of DeKalb, and Republican State Senator Bill Ratliff's Democrat opponent B.D. Blount of Paris all have voiced opposition to Marvin Nichols. This is quite logical: 99% of local people oppose these lakes. Where was Bill Ratliff on Aug. 2? Does that sound like a man who is trying to protect and represent his constituents, who have so generously elected him, time and again, in years past? We citizens deserve better than this! Ratliff has used a DFW dagger to stab Northeast Texas in the back!

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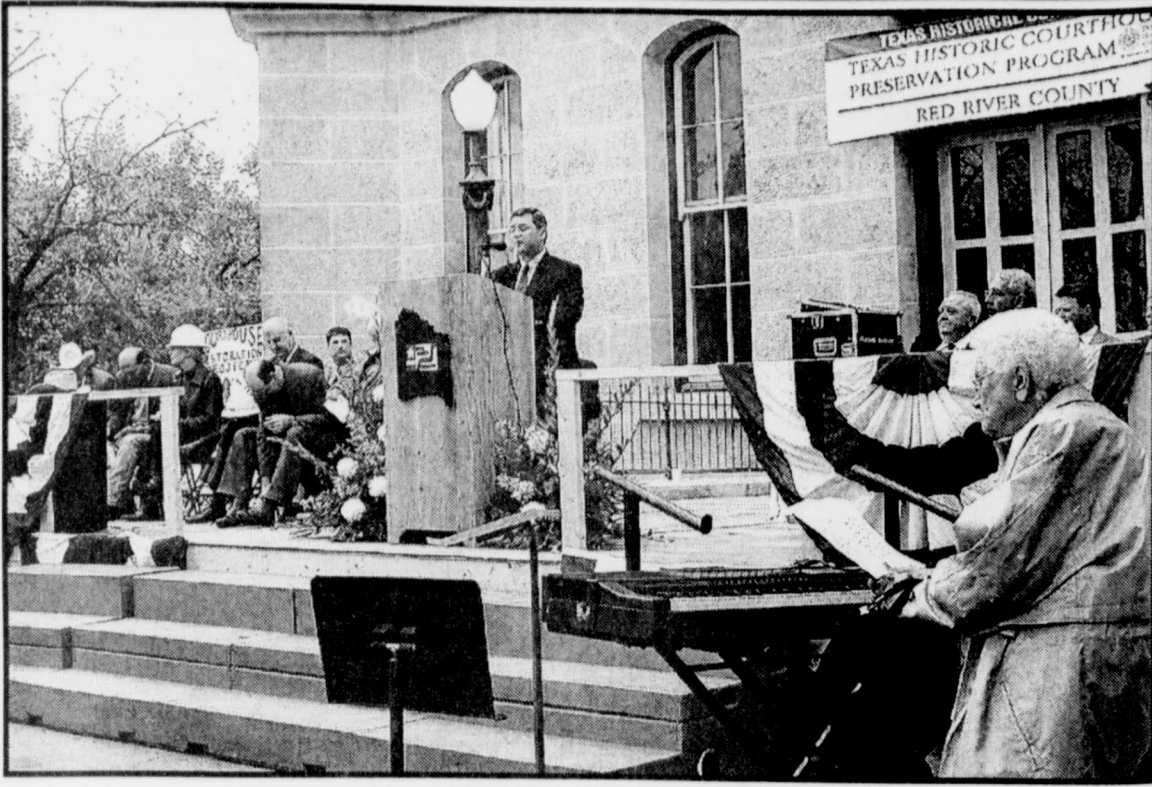
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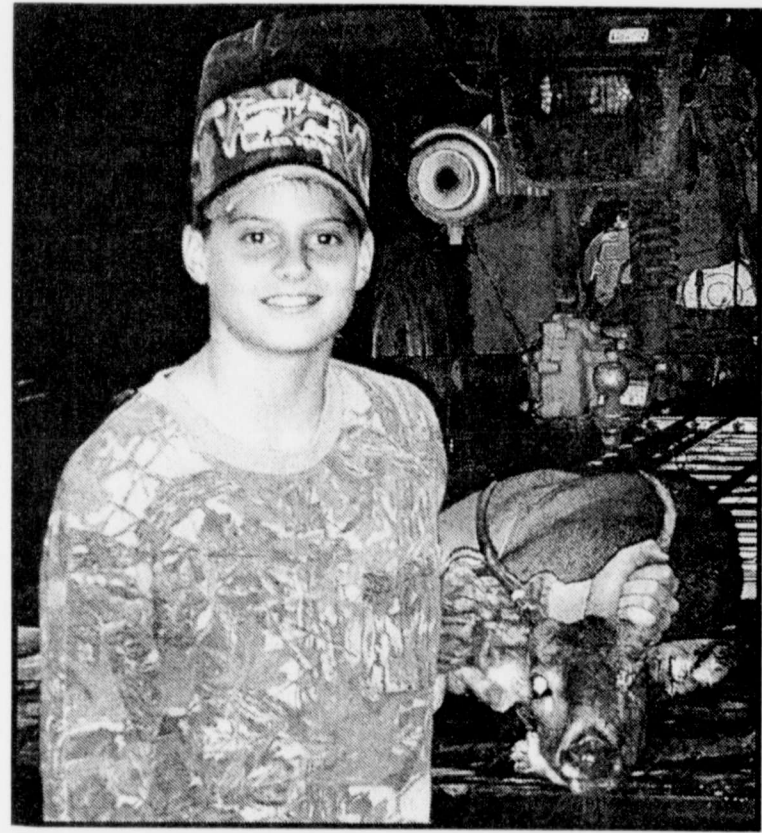




SPEAKING-various speakers took the podium Saturday as the Red River County Courthouse was rededicated. The historic building is undergoing a restoration. The events were combined with the Fall Bazaar. (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)

Revival scheduled at Day Spring House of Prayer

Day Spring House of Prayer in Deport will be holding revival services October 27 through November 2. On October 27 through 29, Bro. Mike Hardin will bring the service at 7 p.m. On October 30 and November 1, the service will be conducted by Bro. Mixam, also at 7 p.m. On November 2, singing will conclude the revival from 3 until 7 p.m. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.



TY BROWN-got a good one Saturday afternoon, a spike buck. This is the third year Ty has hunted on youth day for deer hunters and it is the 3rd time he has filled his quota. Ty is the son of Nickey and Linda Brown of Talco. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Rivercrest Junior High 1st Six Week Honors

Students making the honor roll at Rivercrest Junior High for the 1st Six Weeks of school are as follows:

Sixth Grade All A: Tara Cunningham, Kaimbri White and Cheyenne Williams.

All A & B: Ty Brown, Justin Bryan, Jarod Davidson, Matthew Haynes, Jasper Hodge, Nikki Lewis, Santiago Lopez, Chris Nolen, Tara Raulston, Emily Rector, Billie Reeves, Jesslin Rivera, James Schmidt, Amanda Sloan, Jillian Sloan, E.J. Via and Joe Wright.

Seventh Grade Academic Honor Roll 5.95 GPA or better: Taylor Anderson, Laura Bevell, Kristin Clark, Christine Holland, Destini Hurst, Courtney Lemme, Carmen Martin, Emily McCuller, Kaylee McIntire, Lauren Mauldin, Ethan Meredith, Aaron Rolan, Megan Savage, Jessica Thompson, Katelyn Van Deaver and Mariam Williams.

Honor Roll, 5.0-5.94 GPA: Chrystal Anderson, Colton Crawford, Nikki Ebarb, Frannie Gaylean, Lyzzette Gayltan, Aaron Lum, Alex Savage, Chris Shirley, Jordan Stafford, Aaron Watson, Susan Smith and Heather Yager.

Eighth Grade Academic Excellence, 5.95 GPA or better: Danica Easterling, Brooke Hale, Kaitlin Moore, Kirby Needham, Julie Pirtle, Vallery Schmidt and Ashley Shew.

Honor Roll, 5.0-5.94 GPA: Lillian Baird, Lauen Beers, Jessica Espinoza, Danielle Fulbright, Torrie Grissom, Micah Haynes, Cortney Merchant, Destry Nolen, Danielle Pirtle, Robert Rector, Sherea Roach, Vicki Schmidt, Kelly Shade, Cole Sheffield, Rachel Smith, Joshua Stephens, Kelsey Taylor, Williams Vaughan, Matthew Ward, Joseph Williams and Alex Wright.

Where, after all, do universal human rights begin? In small places, close to home-so close and small that they cannot be seen in any map of the world.
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WHEN ELECTED I WILL:

- *encourage citizen input and see that agendas are lawfully posted for every meeting-every agenda item. Accurate records will be available to all citizens. I will seek to have evening meetings so that working citizens can attend to take part in their county government.
- * continue to support the countywide emergency medical service system that protects all of our citizens equally in Lamar County. I support the dedicated paramedics that currently provide the finest service possible and would oppose plans to take bids for the inferior service to be provided by a private service.
- * work to improve county support for our volunteer fire departments to provide adequate protection for our citizens who live in the rural areas.
- * seek to improve working conditions and pay for county law enforcement personnel. We need to save money by keeping our trained officers in Lamar County working to protect our citizens.
- * work to maximize resources for the improvement of county roads in all areas of Lamar County.
- * work cooperatively to restore trust between county and other governmental bodies.

"I believe that more can be done to deliver services to our citizens efficiently. I will dedicate myself as your full-time Lamar County Judge to work faithfully to improve all basic county services and see that all are heard and treated fairly." Michael J. Pfiester

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Free throw contest at RES

Eleven Rivercrest Elementary students participated in a free throw contest at Saturday's Thomas Park fund-raiser. They were: Payton and Kristen Burton; Jake and Garrett Sheffield; Austin and Tyler Easley; Trevor and Jessica Jessee; Axel Wood, Hailey Screws and Carter Kelsey. Congratulations, to Austin, Trevor, Kristen, Jake and Garrett, who all scored a basket!

The Bogata Lions Club would like to thank these young people for coming to the event by contributing to the Rivercrest Playground Fund, \$2 for each of the 2 shots every participant took. The students earned \$44 for their school playground!

All participants will be given a pizza lunch Friday, November 1, 2002 during their normal lunch period.

Best Students name Best Teachers

A select group of America's teachers are being honored by their toughest critics, their former students, in the seventh edition of Who's Who Among America's Teachers, 2002.

All of the approximately 114,000 teachers being honored were selected by their former students who themselves are currently listed in Who's Who Among American High School Students or The National Dean's List, publications which recognize 5% of our nation's high school and college students respectively. There is no greater honor teachers can receive than to be recognized by former students for their excellence and dedication.

The students were requested to nominate the one teacher from their entire academic career who "made a difference in their lives" by helping to shape their values, inspiring interest in a particular subject and/or challenging them to strive for excellence. Many of the students commented about the enthusiasm and knowledge their teachers demonstrated in the classroom and many praised their teachers for their ability to relate

to youngsters on a personal as well as professional level.

Local educators honored in Who's Who Among American Teachers, 2002 include:

Blossom: Marilyn Tribbey Fuller.

Rivercrest High School: Pamela Marie Verner Hays.

Rivercrest Elementary: Ginger Georgene Jordan; Neva Jean Oats and Gayle G. Reeder.

Cunningham: Billie Jo Ford of the Deport Campus, Prairiland CISD and Neva Jean Oats of the Rivercrest Elementary School.

Deport: Billie Jo Ford of the Deport Campus Prairiland CISD.

Detroit: Kelley Woodby Ferguson of Detroit Jr. Sr. HS; Cheryl Hart Marquez of Detroit Jr. Sr. HS, and Pamela Marie Verner Hays of Rivercrest HS.

Talco: Henrietta King of Rivercrest Junior High School.

Clarksville: Pamela J. Bryant of Cheatham Middle School; Carol Manning Parker of Clarksville Elementary School and David Sidney Russell of Clarksville HS.

Paris: Kenneth L. Haley of Paris Junior College.

VOTE FOR
Richard A.
RAINEY

RED RIVER COUNTY COMMISSIONER OF PRECINCT 1

Richard has a strong background in budgets and supervision, which this Precinct badly needs. Richard is strong and energetic with a very strong sense of commitment, we know he will show this towards this position. We all feel he will do the best job we can get with what little money this Precinct gets.

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Bogata Locals

(Call your news in at 903-632-5322. If the machine is on please leave a message)

Gussie Musick received a big surprise for her 85th birthday on October 20, 2002, her sister, Ida Mae Christopher and her nephew, Randy Christopher visited and brought her a cake and some very pretty flowers. She also received many cards and calls from friends and relatives.

Happy October Birthday to: Alic Huddleston, Pete Belcher, Randall Mayes, Wendy Ordorica, Kaelon Green, Mary Jo Whatley, Sherea Roach, Michael Paul Murphy, Joey Hanna, Don Duffee, Kacey Van Deaver, Jerry Gray

and Dave Stewart. George and Janet Hobbs of Huntsville, Granville and Halletta Jones of Commerce and Patty Barton of Bagwell visited with their mother, Helen Williams Sunday and attended the Hobbs reunion held at the American Legion in Deport.

Robbi Marshall and her sisters, Kay Wilson and Marisa Brossett traveled to Aransas Pass, Tx. to attend funeral services for their aunt, Bertha Mae King Saturday. They returned home Sunday night.

The time to relax is when you don't have time for it.
-Sydney J. Harris



RIVERCREST ISD PHONE NUMBERS

Phone numbers for the three campuses of Rivercrest ISD are:
Talco School Rivercrest Junior High-903-379-3841
Rivercrest High School-903-632-5204
Rivercrest Elementary School-903-632-5214.

Tuesdays
BAM (Bogata Area Moms) playgroup for stay at home moms and their children meets Tuesdays from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Call Kelly for more information at 903-632-4493.

October 27
Daylight Savings Time ends October 27, 2002. Fall back 1 hour when you go to bed Saturday night.

Talco Locals

Please call your locals news in to 379-4445

Bruce and Tammie Case visited with Ryan and Lisa Case in San Diego over the weekend. While there they attended an air show at Muramar Marine Base and saw the Blue Angles perform.

Happy October birthday to: Ryan Case and Ginger Hood Jones.

Jeremy Moore, son of Bradley and Jackie Moore of Talco was taken to Childrens Hospital in Dallas Wednesday night. He underwent surgery for an aneurism of the brain. He is reported doing well.

Jack, Jennifer and Jaden Brown of Powderly visited overnight Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Brown, Kim, Paul and Quinton Anderson. They attended the Mt. Pleasant High School football game in the evening while Jaden

visited with his grandparents, aunt, uncle and cousin. On Saturday morning, Jack attended a UIL meet with his team from Mt. Pleasant High School while Jennifer, Jaden and Nancy Brown attended the Cross Country District Races in Prairiland. In the evening Jack, Jennifer and Jaden, Nancy, Kim and Quinton, Rachel and Susan Smith attended the Halloween Carnival in Sugar Hill.

Ron, Jeannie Mack, Dee and friend, Ronny, Kim and Lorena Parker of Alabama visited over the weekend with Ed and Gabbie Jean Bradshaw and attended Jeannie's brother, Bill Bradshaw's wedding to Christy Thompson.

The Maple Springs Missionary Baptist Church congregation enjoyed a fellowship lunch following services Sunday morning.



Tommy and Patches Raines Thompson of Paris announce the arrival of their daughter, Darbie Jensen, born September 17, 2002 weighing 7 lbs. 15 oz. and was 21 1/2 long. She was welcomed by her sister, Danbri and brother, Trenton. Grandparents are Debbie English of Bogata, Paul English of Paris and Rita Thompson of Blossom.

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Happy Halloween!!



PIP sign up November 3

Rivercrest PIP (Players in Progress) sign up will be held Sunday, November 3, 2002 at Rivercrest High School from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m.

No late forms will be accepted. The fee this year will be \$50 per child and includes; camp, basketball, shirt and shorts.

All students who join must attend PIP Camp which will be held Sunday, November 10, 2002 at North Lamar High School.

Forms will be given to each child in grades K-6th. For more information call Lori Franks at 903-379-9430.



HE'S GOT IT! 7th grade Rebel, Ryan Bryd received the pass and took the ball in for a Rebel score as the team played the Prairiland Patriots Thursday at RHS. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

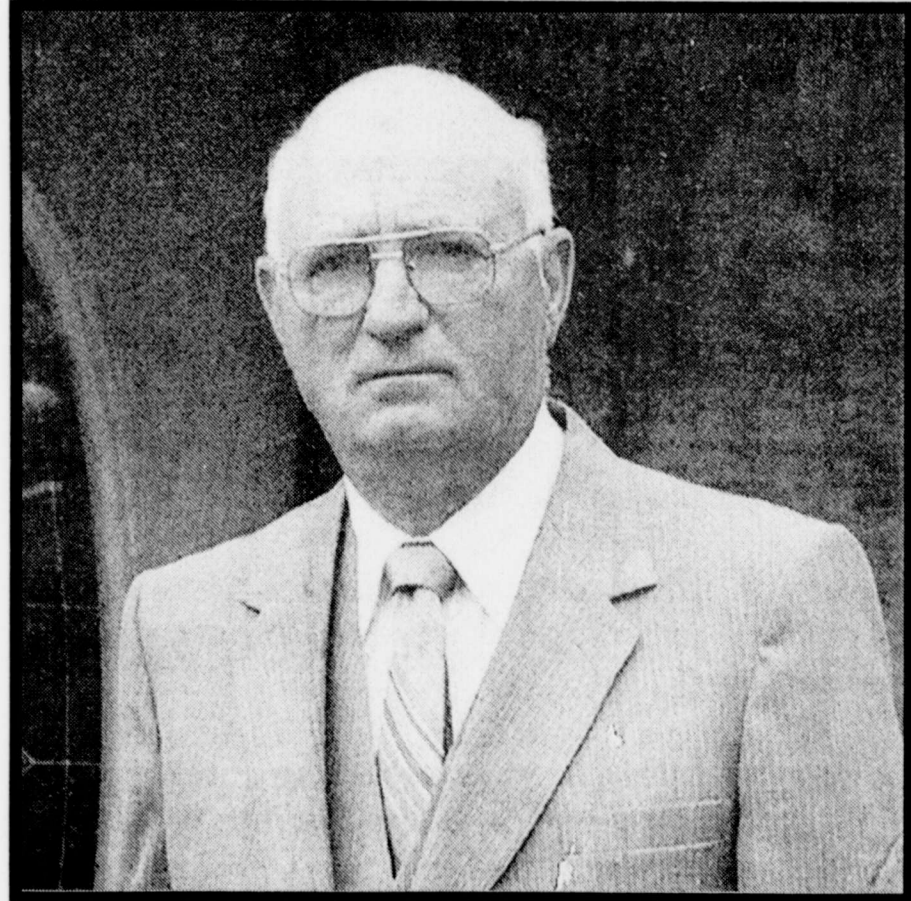


RIVERCREST REBEL-Junior High Cheerleaders, Cortney Merchant, Danica Easterling, Lauren Beers, Kirby Needham, Jessica Thompson and Emily McCuller, along with their Coach, Becky Carlisle and Teri Easterling, traveled to Commerce on Saturday, October 26, 2002 to attend the Texas A & M University-Commerce Homecoming as special guest of the Lion Cheerleaders. The Rebel Cheerleaders are pictured with the Lion Cheerleaders. The Lion team lost 27-17 to Eastern New Mexico Greyhounds.



LOOKS LIKE A STANDOFF-7th grade Rebel #78 and his Prairiland opponent look well matched as Rebel quarterback, #21 Alex Savage look to toss the ball out to running back #3 or #4 at the Rebels played the Pats Thursday at RHS. The Rebels were victorious 12-0. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

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Fulbright News

BY BETTY RODGERS
652-6051

The Bethel Cemetery meeting at the tabernacle was well attended Saturday.

Several attended the Clarksville Harvest Festival, the First Baptist Church in Deport and the Paris Festival in Paris Saturday.

Jimmie King had relatives in to watch ballgames Sunday.

Melissas and Gilbert Arriaga are visiting relatives in Dallas nad Plano for a few days.

Melissa Kelly visited her grandparents in Durant on Sunday and Monday.

Rebel Year Books on Sale

The 2002/2003 Rebel Sabre yearbook will go on sale at the Elementary, November 5; Junior High, November 6 and High School, November 7.

Yearbooks can be bought on the Rivercrest campus before school and during both lunches.

Yearbooks will be sold on the elementary and high school campuses before school and during first period.

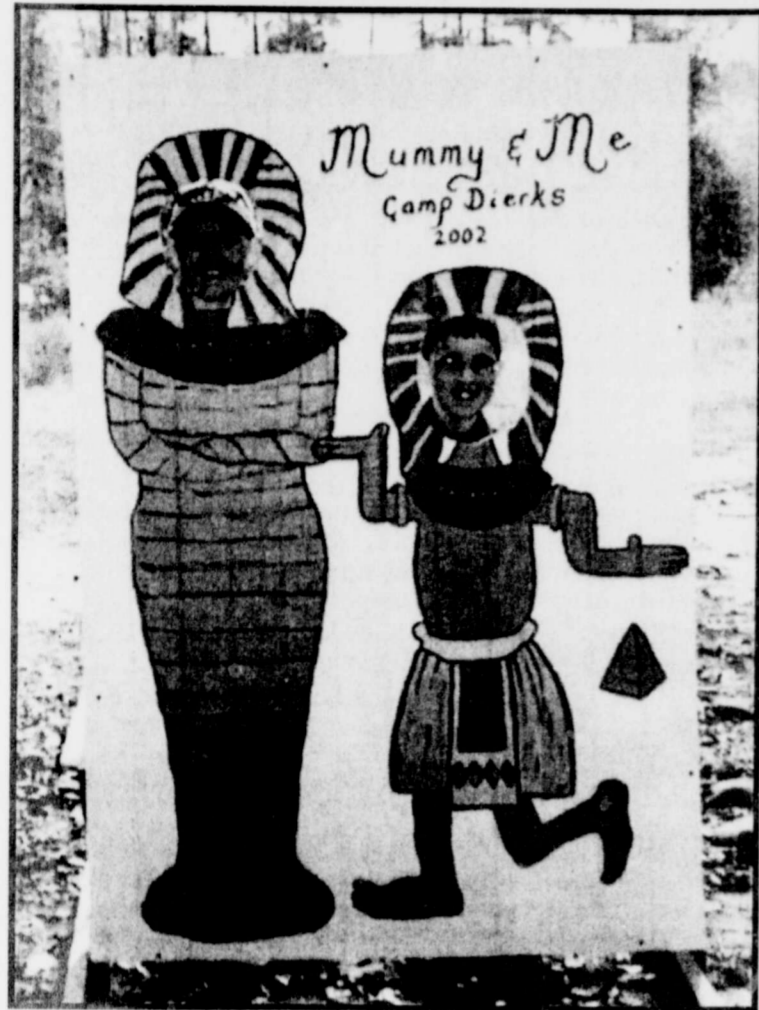
The cost of the yearbook will be \$35. If you want to have your name engraved on the cover, there will be an extra \$6.00 charge. Names having over 21 characters will be set in two lines and charged for two names (word spaces count as a character). Plastic covers can be ordered for \$2.00 each.

If you have any questions, please call the high school at 903-632-5204.



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Information from the Texas Firemen's & Fire Marshal's Association



Mary Tiffie and Dillon Cortez



Tammi and Ashton Sellers

Bogata Boy Scouts attend Mom and Me camp out

Members of Bogata Boy Scouts Pack #135 enjoyed a trip to Mom and Me Camp at Camp Dierks in Oklahoma October 12 and 13, 2002. Attending were; Mary Tiffie and Dillon Cortez; Brandi and Dakota Ward and Tammi and Ashton Sellers.

The group enjoyed shooting BB guns, bow and arrows; crafts and the boys really had fun on the obstacle course. Camp Dierks was a wonderful experience. I gave the moms and boys a chance

to have quality time together, camping in a tent, sitting around the camp fire with no phones ringing, no errands to run, no house to clean etc. The hardest thing about the camp out was leaving for home.

Boy Scouts of America is a great experience for the boys and their families. To sign up and become a member contact Troop Leaders, Eric Moreno or Bill Burge in Bogata.



Brandi and Dakota Ward



THE REBEL MASCOT- (Casey Easley) visited the Rivercrest Elementary School this week to distribute Red Ribbons in honor of the 14th National Red Ribbon Week.



ON OCTOBER 21, BOGATA Cub Scout Pack 135 toured the Paris Fire Station. The firefighters showed the Scouts many things such as their workout room, their bedrooms and their kitchen. The Scouts were amazed that the firemen had a Play Station setup in the kitchen. The Scouts also got to see the fire trucks, a demonstration of the jaws of life and one of the firemen even put on his suit. For more information on Pack 135 visit www.scouttroops.org/tx/cs/135/

Red Ribbon Week observed at RHS

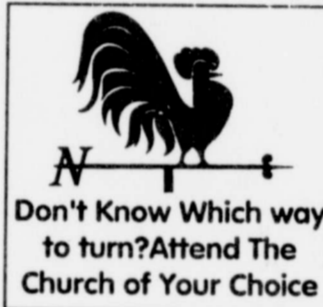
October 28-31 marks the 14th celebration of National Red Ribbon Week. In 1985, Drug Enforcement Administration undercover agent Enrique "Kiki" Camarena was killed by drug traffickers in Mexico. Angered by his death and the damaging effect of drugs on the culture, people of Camarena's hometown of Calexico, California, began wearing red ribbons in his honor. The trend spread across the country, and in 1988 Congress proclaimed

the last full week in October as National Red Ribbon Week. The event continues to grow as more and more schools show their support for a drug-free America.

At Rivercrest High School on Monday everyone received a red ribbon. On Tuesday it was "Team Up Against Drugs" day. Everyone wore their favorite team shirt and the Student Council passed out Red Ribbon pencils at lunch to all that participated. Wednesday was "Red Hot Day" Every-

one wore red and the Student Council passed out Red Hot Tamales during lunch to all students wearing red. On Thursday "Don't Be a Sucker for Drugs" was the slogan and students wearing their red ribbons received a sucker at lunch.

The Junior High and Elementary students of RISD also participated in Red Ribbon week to begin drug education as soon as possible.



Letters to Editor

To the Editor:

Having attended both days of the Red River County fall festival, I want to convey to those who could not be there my view that the future of the county received a significant boost last weekend. Both the creation of a Hall of Fame and the rededication of our proud old courthouse are steps in making the county that was "Gateway to Texas" a profitable destination for tourists. Until we get enough water for industry, we may never grow as fast as Texas-as-a-whole, but tourism might at least halt the economic slide that has impoverished the county over the past eight decades or so.

At any rate, a beginning was made in restoring our pride and our sense of community over all parts of the county. Please note that the students' history contest was the first time in living memory that students of all of the county's school districts were brought together in one place. Judge Lovett, the Reverend Raymond Judd, "Little Jim" Clark and all the others whose hard work made these events take place deserve the thanks of us all.

John Howison, Bogata

Public Notices

NOTICE OF REFERENDUM

In accordance with the provisions of the Texas Agriculture Code, Chapter 74, Subchapter D, and 4 Tex. Admin. Code, Chapter 3, Subchapter A, the Texas Department of Agriculture (the Department) will conduct a referendum on the proposition of whether or not cotton growers shall establish a boll weevil eradication program in the area designated by rule as the Northern Blacklands Boll Weevil Eradication Zone and pay a maximum annual assessment in the amount of \$13.25 per land acre of cotton each year until costs of the eradication program plus finance charges are paid off, which is anticipated to take up to 10 years, and a nominal maintenance fee thereafter. The initiation of a program at this assessment level is contingent upon obtaining financing and a minimum of 30 percent state and/or federal cost-share funding. If approved, the program and assessment are expected to begin in the zone on a date determined by the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Program Board of Directors.

The Northern Blacklands Eradication Zone consist of all of Montague, Cooke, Grayson, Fannin, Lamar, Red River, Bowie, Cass, Morris, Titus, Franklin, Hopkins, Delta, Hunt, Rockwall, Collin, Denton, Wise, Jack, Parker, Tarrant, Dallas, Kaufman, Rains, VanZandt, Henderson, Navarro, Ellis, Johnson, Hood, Somervell, Bosque, Hamilton and Hill counties; and those parts of McLennan and Limestone counties north of State Highway 84. If a zone program and assessment are approved by this referendum, growers in the zone shall vote again on whether or not to continue eradication efforts after four years of active program activities.

Also, as part of the referendum, a representative of the above-referenced zone will be elected to serve on the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation Board of Directors. The board is charged with administering the boll weevil eradication program in Texas.

The referendum and board election will be held by mail balloting. Ballots will be mailed by November 19, 2002. All ballots cast by mail must be post-marked no later than December 9, 2002, in order to be valid. Any cotton grower having cotton production in 2002 within the zone defined above is eligible to vote, and if he or she resides in the Northern Blacklands Boll Weevil Eradication Zone and has at least seven years experience as a cotton grower, to have his or her name placed on the ballot as a candidate in the board member election. A cotton grower is defined as a person who grows cotton and receives income from the sale of cotton. The term includes an individual who, as owner, landlord, tenant or sharecropper, is entitled to share in the cotton grown and available for marketing from the farm or share in the proceeds from the sale of the cotton from the farm.

Any person eligible to vote in the referendum or board member election who resides in the Northern Blacklands Boll Weevil Eradication Zone and meets the seven-year experience requirement may place his or her name in nomination for election to the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation Board by written application to the Department at the address provided below. The application shall be on a nomination form provided by the Department and must be signed by the applicant and at least ten other eligible voters. The nomination form must be received in Austin by November 11, 2002, and must provide the legal residence of the applicant. A nomination form may be obtained by contacting the Department office or any county agent located in the voting area.

For more information regarding the referendum and election, or if you are a cotton grower in the above-referenced area and do not receive a ballot, please contact the Texas Department of Agriculture, P.O. Box 12847, Austin, Texas, 78711, telephone 512-463-7593. 11-7

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS ON QUALIFICATIONS FOR A DISTRICT WIDE ENERGY CONSERVATION PROGRAM

The Prairiland Independent School District is requesting proposals for the implementation of Energy Efficiency Improvements on a performance-contracting basis. The intent of this Request for Proposal (RFP) is to solicit qualification proposals from Energy Services companies (ESCOs) that describe their capabilities to identify, design, install, maintain, monitor and arrange financing of a large-scale, comprehensive energy-conservation program which includes the services listed in this proposal. Respondents may pick up the RFP Specification Packet at the Administration Office located on FM196 S, Pattonville, Texas 785468. Additional information pertaining to this solicitation can be obtained through James Morton, Superintendent 903-652-6476. 11-7

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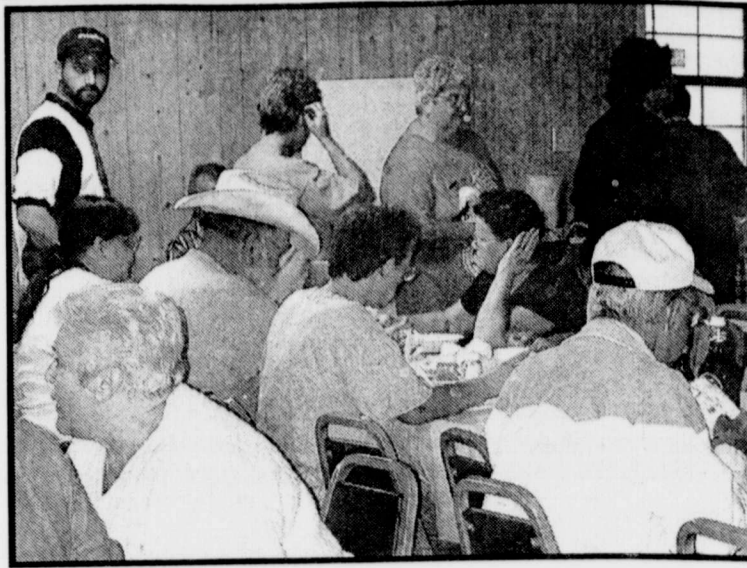
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THE TABLES WERE FULL-at the Sugar Hill Community Center Halloween Saturday evening for the stew and chili supper. Everything was delicious and the children and adults enjoyed all the carnival games and an evening of visiting with family and friends. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



My name is **DONNIE GENTRY** and I would appreciate your **WRITE-IN VOTE** for **COMMISSIONER PRECINCT ONE** on **November 5, 2002**

Pol. Ad paid for by Donnie Gentry, RR 1 Box 107-B Bogata, TX 75417

Date set for Rivercrest High School class of 83' reunion

Representatives of the Rivercrest class of 1983 have set the date for their 20 year reunion for July 19, 2003. The place and time, as well as activities, are still being planned. More information will be available at a later date. Mark your calendars and plan on coming back to visit with those you have not seen in decades.

The group are also collecting information for the "20 Year class reunion annual". If you are a member of the class of 1983 please send a recent picture of you and your family as well as a little biography of what you have "been up to" in the last 20 years; college, family; jobs; hobbies; etc. The

Reunion Annual will have addresses, phone numbers, emails, pictures and information on each of the class members. You can mail your photos and information to Leah Lewis Bull, 431 S. Bryson St., Bogata, Tx. 75417. You may also email your information and pictures if you have the capabilities to lrlewis@1starnet.com. All photos will be promptly returned within a few days of receiving them. The reunion annual may be purchased before or during the class reunion next year. The price of the annual will cover copying and binding only and the cost will be \$7.00-\$10.00 each.

An invitation is also extended to the classes of 1982 and 1984 as well as any parents, faculty or friends to come reminisce and reconnect with old friends. You may contact Leah Lewis Bull at 903-632-9520; Joe Corbell at 903-509-3027; Kathie Williams Thompson at 903-632-4591 or David Rozell at 903-632-5617 for information.

Rivercrest Schools Menus Nov. 4-8

MONDAY
Sausage & biscuit
condiments
juice & milk
Lunch
Chili dogs
pork & beans
fritos
fruit
milk

TUESDAY
Breakfast
Cinnamon rolls
toast
condiments
juice & milk
Lunch
Chicken nuggets
creamed potatoes w/gravy
green beans
hot rolls
milk

WEDNESDAY
Breakfast
Oatmeal
toast
condiments
juice & milk
Lunch
Mexican Lasagna
beans
cornbread
fruit
milk

THURSDAY
Breakfast
Cereal
toast
condiments
juice & milk
Lunch
Nachos w/meat sauce
refried beans
rice
lettuce & tomatoes
cake
milk

FRIDAY
Breakfast
Pancake on a stick
condiments
juice & milk
Lunch
Cheeseburgers
burger salad
beans
chips
ice cream
milk

Rebel Year Books on Sale

The 2002/2003 Rebel Sabre yearbook will go on sale at the Elementary, November 5; Junior High, November 6 and High School, November 7.

Yearbooks can be bought on the Rivercrest campus before school and during both lunches.

Yearbooks will be sold on the elementary and high school campuses before school and during first period.

The cost of the yearbook will be \$35. If you want to have your name engraved on the cover, there will be an extra \$6.00 charge. Names having over 21 characters will be set in two lines and charged for two names (word spaces count as a character). Plastic covers can be ordered for \$2.00 each.

If you have any questions, please call the high school at 903-632-5204.

Happy Halloween!!



Harvest Festival is November 2 at Martin Memorial in Detroit

It's that time of year again when Martin Memorial United Methodist Church in Detroit, Texas gets ready for their annual Harvest Festival. This year it will take place on the first Saturday in November. That's 2 November, 2002.

As usual the men of the church will be serving a delicious Barbeque Lunch with all the trimmings. These include plentiful pinto beans, crunchy coleslaw, nourishing bread and melt-in-your-mouth homemade cobblers. Also on hand will be pickles, onions and tea. All this served with a smile and a mere cost of \$6.00 for adults and \$3.50 for children under 12 years of age. Meal serving will begin at 11:00 am and take-out orders will be available.

There will also be a quilt shop, a bake shop, and a holiday craft area, and a wood shop and

puzzles and books and wall hangings and table decor and lots of other goodies. We will also have one room dedicated to yesterdays treasures and tomorrows antiques. These things will all be available starting at 9:00am.

The ladies of the church have been working throughout the year and will be offering a quilt to the general public. Donations (one ticket for each \$1.00) will be accepted for this quilt and the lucky recipient will be announced before closing of the event which will be somewhere around 4:00 pm or sooner if all good things are gone.

So come and join in the happenings. Come shop and dine and fellowship with us. Remember 2 November 2002 from 9:00 till 4:00 at Martin Memorial United Methodist Church in Detroit. Don't Forget, now!

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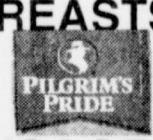









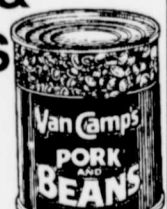


















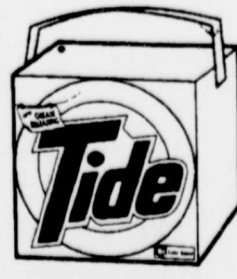





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