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Science Changes Advertising!
Have you noticed that science has even changed commercials?

Many years ago there was an advertisement for a very well-known hair color.

The slogan was "Color So Natural, Only Her Hairdresser Knows for Sure". It ran for a long time (that was back when slogans lasted longer than a week), and was familiar enough that there was a whole generation of jokes based on it.

I remember reading an article in a doctor's office magazine that the company had vacillated between "Only her hairdresser knows for sure" and "Only her mother knows for sure".

Years later, I think they actually used the "Only her mother" ad, with a young-looking mom with a younger-looking daughter.

Well, this same company has a new slogan.

"Hair So Natural You'd Think My DNA Did It".

DNA did it! While we all know exactly what the ad means, how many years ago has it been that we didn't have a clue about something like DNA?

Hasn't been that long, has it?

That put me in my thinking mode, about how science and technological advances have changed the way we think, live and work.

People plan their lives on Palm computers, we use the internet to answer questions from the minor to the very significant.

Hard physical labor has taken a back seat to brain power, and medicine keeps us going longer and stronger than ever before!

Ads for internet services and companies probably outnumber all the other ads put together.

Another amazing thing I noticed at the nursery the other day...soils specifically blended to weed, feed and provide defense from pests. Wow!

Anyway, if you will ponder on ads and your life I think you'll come up with several phrases or scenarios which wouldn't have been possible just a few years ago...back when DNA sounded like the initials for a fund raising association instead of the key to our genetic makeup.

Teen drowns in Red River

A seventeen year old boy drowned in Red River Easter Sunday. McCurtain County Sheriff's Department had not released the boy's name yet. McCurtain Co. had charge of the investigation.

The incident occurred when three teenagers reportedly tried to swim the Red River and the teen sank out of sight.

A search of the river began almost immediately. Taking part in the search was McCurtain Co. law enforcement, Pine Creek VFD, Northwoods VFD, Clarksville Fire Department, Avery VFD, Annona VFD, Bagwell VFD and Bogata VFD.

Open House

"Open House" will be held at the Thedford Homes Office on Thursday, April 19, 2001 from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. in Bogata.

Guests will be served coffee and cookies and view the recent remodeling of the structure. Everyone is invited to attend.

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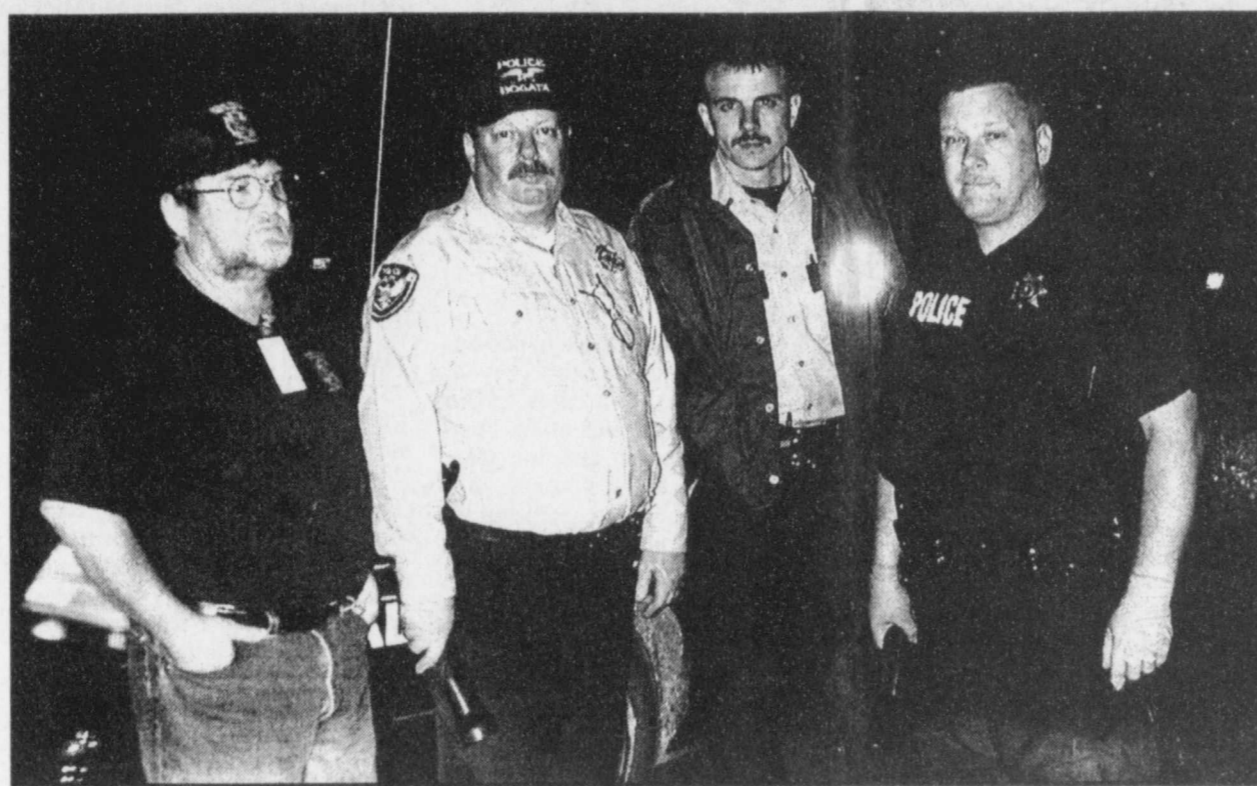
BOGATA NEWS

90th YEAR, No. 48

BOGATA, RED RIVER COUNTY, TEXAS

Thursday, April 13, 2001

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NIGHT TIME BUST- A "Meth" drug lab was raided Tuesday night, April 17th in Bogata. Four arrests were made in a joint effort between the Bogata Police Department and the Drug Task Force. According to Chief Charles Clegg of the Bogata PD, the arrests were part of an ongoing investigation. They took place at a house .6 of amile on Hwy. 37 S. Shown discussing the matter from right are Agent Powell, Officer John Davidson of Bogata PD, Bogata Chief Clegg and Thomas Nichols of Thunder Prairie Publishing. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)

Choir is successful again!!

A large crowd was on hand Friday night for the Bogata Ministerial Alliance's gospel singing concert under the direction of Tim Wood and Judy Sherrill.

This was the second concert of the 75-voice choir and the appreciative crowd gave ovation after ovation to the beautiful singing. The concert raised over \$600.00 for the Community Fund with more donations being accepted.

Tim Wood stated, "Unless you were there, you would not believe the talent and singing ability of those participating. It really blessed my

heart to see the choir working so hard and seeing the wonderful sound their voices produced."

Todd Ward video taped the entire program and after viewing the tape, Tim was able to once again talk Todd into reproducing tapes for people to purchase. Anyone interested in purchasing a tape can call Tod at 632-5630.

Plans are being discussed for the next concert for the community. What a joy it is to have a community who can unite together for a worthy experience.

Cuthand VFD annual fish fry and pie auction set for April 28

The Cuthand Volunteer Fire Department have made plans for their annual Fish Fry and Pie Auction. The date set is April 28, 2001. Serving will begin at 4:00 p.m. and will run through 6:00 p.m. with the pie auction to follow. The all you can eat meal will be \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children 6-12 years of age. Children under 6 years old may eat

free. Live music will be provided by D.J. and The Cuthand Boys again this year. A \$100 bill will be given away during the pie auction. You must be present to win. Everyone is invited to attend and support the fire department while enjoying a good meal, good music and good friends.

Bogata VFD to hold BBQ May 5th

The Bogata Volunteer Fire department and Rescue Department will hold a fund-raiser on May 5, 2001 beginning at 5:00 p.m. there will be an All You Can Eat Barbecue meal served. Adults will cost \$5, children under age twelve will eat free. There will also be a Pie Auction. The event will be on at the fire department. The department is also selling tickets on a beautiful afghan donated by Mr. and Mrs. Leon Huddleston

for \$1 a ticket.

The drawing for the winning name will be held at the Bogata Rodeo in June.

Tickets may be purchased from any member of the Fire Department or Rescue Department.

Donations will also be appreciated and can be mailed to Bogata Volunteer Fire Department at P.O. Box 488, Bogata, TX. 75417.

Annual FFA Banquet to be held April 26, 2001

The Rivercrest FFA would like to invite the Talco and Bogata communities to attend the 2001 Annual Parent-Member FFA Banquet on April 26 beginning at 6:30 p.m. There will be a bar-b-que meal served in the Rivercrest cafeteria prior

to the ceremonies. Tickets for members and parents will be .50¢ and all guest, \$5.00 per person. To purchase tickets you may see any FFA member or call the Rivercrest Ag. Department at 903-632-5989.

Lennox HRC to host childbirth preparation classes

Childbirth Preparation classes are to begin Monday, April 23, 2001 at the Lennox Health Resource Center in Clarksville, Tx. Cindy Smith, R.N. Lennox Nurse Educator, will teach the six week program. Stages of pregnancy, phases of labor, delivery, exercise, breathing and pushing techniques as well as anesthesia, cesarean section, postpartum and new-

born care stages will be included. The classes will meet on Monday from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. at the Lennox Health Resource Center located at 114 N. Walnut in Clarksville. If you have any questions please feel free to call the Lennox Health Resource Center, Monday through Thursday at (903) 428-8500.

Drivers Ed classes to begin

Drivers Education classes will begin April 23 and run through May 16 at Rivercrest High School. Class times will be 6:00 a.m. and 8:00 a.m. The class will be held in Room 114 at the school.

The fee for the class is \$185.00 payable to Rivercrest High School and must be paid by the first class day which is April 23. For more information contact the school at 903-632-5204.

City invites TxDOT to meet

The City of Bogata has invited the Texas Highway Department of Transportation to speak and answer questions on moving US Highway 271.

The meeting will be held in the Bogata Community Center on Tuesday, April 24 at 6:00 p.m.

Now is the time to find out what is going to happen with the new highway.

People 'n Things

Third Tuesday of each month Bogata Lions Club sponsors Bingo at Red River Healthcare Center. Lions Club members should volunteer to help when they can.

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

Bogata Public Library/Museum
The Bogata Public Library/Museum is open each Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and each Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. 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.

April 24-27

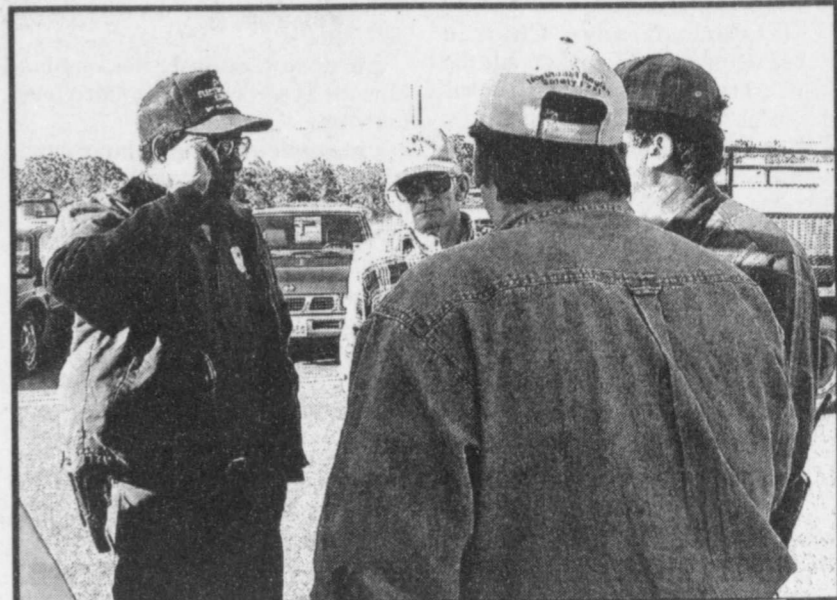
The Rivercrest School District will be given their TAAS Test on April 24 through April 27. Students should get plenty of rest and eat a good breakfast before taking their tests.

April 29

Tasha Brown, bride-elect of John Bell will be honored with a wedding shower on April 29, 2001 from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. at the Rosalie Community Center. All family and friends are cordially invited to attend.

April 30

The Talco/Bogata Gifted and Talented students will go on a field trip to Arlington on Monday, April 30, 2001. For more information contact Counselor, Karla Palmer at either Talco or Bogata School.



COMMAND DISCUSSIONS-Bogata Fire Chief Charles Don Lewis (foreground), Bogata Fireman Charlie Hines, left, Talco VFD Randy Hollis along with another Bogata Fireman discuss possibilities for expanding the search for a missing nursing home resident in Bogata Tuesday evening. The man was located after nearly a two hour search door to door. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)

160 search for elderly man in Bogata

One hundred and sixty people and nine volunteer fire departments took part in a massive search for a missing elderly man Tuesday afternoon. The man, a resident at Red River Healthcare in Bogata, apparently managed to wander away from the facility. The search began at about 5:00 p.m. and Bogata Volunteer Fire Department set up a command center and began a systematic, ever-widening sweep of the area. As more and more people began to pour in to assist with the search the scope was

increased and the depth of the search intensified until volunteers were going door to door asking if anyone had seen an elderly man in green jogging pants and a red cap, walking with a cane. Soon private citizens and young people on bicycles were looking too.

The man was located on Roachtown Road and South Main at about 7:30 p.m., cold and wet but apparently not seriously hurt. He was transported to a hospital to be checked over carefully.

Letter from the Publisher:

I do not normally dignify an anonymous letter by trying to respond. We have so many people who have the courage to sign their names when they have something to say, those who don't shouldn't be given too much attention.

But, I feel compelled to respond to some of this person's accusations.

The first complaint is that we don't have anyone living in Bogata collecting news for us. That's entirely true. However, we advertised and advertised, called people and never got a single person willing to do the job! Hence, we used who was willing to do the job.

The second complaint is that we had missed some news events. That, also is true.

No paper can manage to appear for each and every event...especially when many of those events haven't even been turned in to the paper in the first place.

I live in Deport, I cover Deport's events, I feel a part of the community...and I miss some things. It is absolutely impossible not to. Sometimes I cannot be in two or three places at one time, sometimes I am not notified of a picture or story opportunity, sometimes I just don't recheck my list and forget something!

So, for many years I have asked people to help us make these papers the very best possible by getting involved. I try to publish our phone numbers over and over so that someone with an idea can get in touch with us easily. Please do so. If you are going to be at an event, take some photos. We'll be happy to run them.

Yes, the Bogata Officesometimes has no one there. Our budget will NOT extend to hiring one person to be in the office all day every day and someone else out taking photos. If you don't get an answer, please call 652-4205 (the Deport Office) it's not long distance and we're

there all day except Fridays Saturday & Sundays. There are answering machines at both locations...we WILL call you back, if you leave a number. I'm frequently stymied because people call us and leave no name and no return phone number to call! Because it is our headquarters, we have many more people working in Deport.

Our Bogata editor IS stretched rather thin. But she works very hard, makes frequent trips to the Bogata campus, does her very best. Yes, one week we were caught short with her in the hospital and two out up here at headquarters. We had to beg people's understanding that week for sure. I dropped the ball (or egg) by not being on hand for the Bogata Egg Hunt. I was going to do it...and somehow I got it in my head the egg hunt was April 14, not the 7th. I apologize. It was my responsibility and I failed in doing it.

We also were responsible for leaving out the Bogata Locals this last week. It was our fault here at headquarters, we failed to print them out after they were e-mailed. It doesn't happen often, but we regret when it does.

We aren't perfect, we miss things. But we do try our best. No paper's budget extends to someone calling every organization or group weekly to say "do you have something for us to come take a picture of or write about?" No, we need help! We welcome anyone's assistance in providing the best coverage possible. We can use all the help we can get.

But, I still issue you a challenge. Cut out all the Bogata coverage from a daily paper for one week. Then match it against ours. I think you may be surprised. It's possible we aren't doing such a bad job.

That doesn't mean we don't need to improve. We truly are trying, and will continue to do so. Help us all you can.

Sincerely,
Nanalee Nichols, Publisher

Bogata Lions Club to host CPR course May 12

The Bogata Lions Club will host CPR (cardiopulmonary resuscitation) classes on May 12, 2001 at the Bogata Community Center beginning at 9:00 a.m.

The cost for the course will be \$11.00 per person and everyone is

invited to attend. Everyone from junior high school through any age adult should learn CPR. It can mean the difference between life and death. To enroll or for more information call 632-5668.

Country Cooking

By Liz Irwin

http://tpp.1starnet.com/



Our cook this week comes to us from Deport and she is Estelle Cheshire. She is a lifelong resident of Deport and now resides at the housing authority apartments.

She enjoys cooking and attending to her flowers in her small garden around her apartment.

We appreciate her sharing her recipes with us this week and we will see you in the kitchen!

Mandarin-Orange Chicken Salad-using canned chicken, add the mandarin oranges and apples, pecans if you like and it is a great dish!

Apple Sauce Cake-add applesauce to a plain yellow cake mix and you have a moist, delicious cake that anyone would love to eat!

Ham Casserole-chopped ham

combined with egg noodles and sour cream, topped with cheese, a meal in itself!

Chicken-Egg Noodle Casserole-use canned chicken or fresh chicken that is boiled and taken off the bone for a simple, easy-quick recipe!

Macaroni and Cheese-that old standby that everyone likes, but Mrs. Cheshire says to be sure and use Velveeta. It makes it creamy and delicious!

Mexican Casserole-this one is a hit with everybody and not that hard to make!

Pineapple-Apricot Salad-orange jello, crushed pineapple and apricot baby food combined to make a delicious salad for the upcoming warm weather!



COOK OF THE WEEK is Estelle Cheshire of Deport. Mrs. Cheshire enjoys cooking and being outside with her flowers and plants. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

Red River County Roots



This week's query is from Joe Gold, 4230 Sotol Drive, Las Cruces, NM 88011. He needs information on Sallie E. Mooney, wife of M.C. Mooney. Sallie died September 3, 1886 at age 32. She is buried in Old Shamrock Cemetery, Red River County. He would like to know if the couple had any children or relatives who survived them. What was Sallie's cause of death?

If you have a query you would like to have placed in this column, please send it to the Red River County Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 516, Clarksville, Texas 75426

Card of Thanks

We would like to thank everyone for their calls, cards, food, flowers, kindness and concern during the loss of our loved one, **Betty Ruth Dodd**. God bless you.
Sim E. Dodd & Family

Card of Thanks

Dear Friends,
It would be impossible to personally thank all those who prayed, brought flowers, sent cards, called and offered to assist us in our business during James' hospital stay. Please use this thank you note as a special hug of love and appreciation.

To Dr. Ganguly and his staff, to ETMC Clarksville Hospital and their staff, especially Linda Tabb and to ETMC Tyler, we say thank you. Extra ordinary thanks to Dr. Brooks for his efforts and advise, to our minister Kenny Dickson, your presence and words of comfort always heal and to Neil and Frances Fozell, who always hold our hands through the good and bad times.

Most of all, to anyone who thinks they may have a heart problem, don't wait! Get lucky like us by getting help immediately. Don't put off getting cured by dying.

Our love,
The James Wood Family

Card of Thanks

The family of Gary Lynn Smith would like to thank all the friends, neighbors, and family members in and around the community of Deport for their many acts of kindness during Gary's long illness and recent death.

Maybe you sent flowers, or brought food. Maybe you stopped by to see about Mr. Smith. Maybe you said a special prayer. All these things brought comfort to the grieving hearts of this family.

We will never forget how a whole community stepped forward to comfort us.

Although we are unable to thank each and every one of you individually, we would like to say a special thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Donnie Wright, and Mrs. Kathy Holt, who sat many hours at Gary's side during his long hospital stay.

May God bless each one of you in a special way.
With deepest gratitude,
The Gary Smith Family

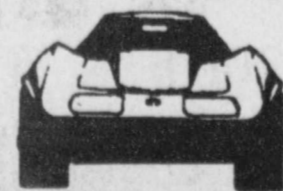
Velma Hill honored on birthday

Velma Hill was honored with an early birthday part on Sunday. Thirty members of her family gathered at her home.

Everyone enjoyed the occasion along with a lot of good food. Velma will be 87 on April 27th.



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Obituaries

Fred Mead dies April 10

Fred Mead, age 72 of Bogata died in Red River Healthcare Center on Tuesday, April 10.

Funeral services were held Friday, April 13 at 2:00 p.m. in the chapel of Red River Healthcare Center. Burial was in Smith Cemetery. Wood Funeral Home had charge of arrangements.

Mr. Mead was born September 16, 1928. He married the former Minnie Lucille Sisson on December 5, 1979. He was a retired ranch worker.

Surviving as his wife, Lucille Mead of Bogata; two sons, Jerry and Micky; a stepson, Ronnie; daughters, Kay, Sandy, Patty and Jeanette; two stepdaughters, Marcie and Connie; brothers, Raymond and Sherman; three sisters, Katherine, Treva and Carilyn; numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.



Betty Ruth Dodd

Betty Ruth Dodd dies April 13

Betty Ruth Dodd, age 66 of Jothtown, died Friday, April 13 in the Christus St. Joseph Healthcenter. Wood Funeral Homes conducted graveside services at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, April 16 at Bogata Cemetery.

Mrs. Dodd was born December 18, 1934 in Chandler, TX, the daughter of W.N. and Mamie Wimbish Matthews. She married S.E. Dodd on October 20, 1951 in Texarkana, AR. He survives her, as do three sons, Kenny Dodd of Tyler, Shane Dodd of Paris and Russell Dodd of Commerce; one daughter, Melissa Grissom of Jothtown; one granddaughter, Megan Titsworth of Jothtown; a sister, Elizabeth Loyd of Pittsburg.

She was preceded in death by her parents and a brother, Larry Matthews.

Mrs. Geneva Ann Duffey dies April 15

Mrs. Geneva Ann Duffey, age 51 of Cunningham, formerly of Bogata, died Sunday, April 15 at her residence.

Graveside services were held at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday at Turner Cemetery in Fulbright under the direction of Wood Funeral Home.

Mrs. Duffey was born January 25, 1950 in Deport, the daughter of Luther and Betty Brumalow Whitaker. She was formerly a health care provider and had worked at Red River Haven Nursing Home.

She is survived by her daughters, Belinda and Clint Davis of Cunningham and Amanda and Chris Howerton of Bogata; her mother, Betty Whitaker of Bogata; two brothers, Donnie and Jimmie Whitaker, both of Bogata; a sister, Nelda Jean Whitaker of Bogata; and three grandchildren, Crystal Howerton of Bogata and Ashley Ebarb and Marli Elrod of Cunningham.



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Thursday, April 19, 2001
Estelle Cheshire-Deport

Mandarin Orange Chicken Salad

2-10 ounce cans chicken
1 apple
1/4 cup sweet relish or pickles
1 small cna mandarin oranges
1/4 cup onion
1/4 cup mayonnaise
1/4 cup nuts-optional

Drain oranges and reserve juice. Combine all ingredients, except mayonnaise. Mix juice with mayonnaise and gradually pour over other ingredients and toss lightly.

Apple Sauce Cake

1 box plain yellow cake mix
1 box instant vanilla pudding
1/3 cup oil
1/3 cup sour cream
4 eggs
1 cup apple sauce
1 cup pecans-optional

Mix oil, sour cream and beat well. Add eggs one at a time. Gradually add cake mix and pudding mix. Stir well. Bake one hour at 350 degrees.

Ham Casserole

2cups cooked ham
8 ounces medium noodles
1 can celery soup
1/2 cup chopped green peppers
1/2 cup chopped onion
1 cup sour cream
2 cups cheese

Cook noodles according to directions; drain. Add all other ingredients. Place in casserole dish and bake at 350 degrees for 30 minutes.

Chicken-Egg Noodle Casserole

2 cups cut-up chicken
6 ounces egg noodles
can chicken broth
can chicken soup
1 onion
2 tablespoons butter
salt and pepper to taste
1 cup cheese

Cook noodles according to directions; drain. Add broth, soup, onion and cheese. Place in casserole dish and bake at 350 degrees for 20 minutes.

Macaroni and Cheese Casserole

12 ounces macaroni
2 pounds Velveeta cheese
1/2 cup milk

Cook macaroni as directed; drain. In casserole dish, put a layer of macaroni and slices of velveeta cheese and sprinkle with sugar. Continue layering until all ingredients are used. Then pour on milk. Bake at 350 degrees until cheese melts.

Mexican Casserole

2 pounds ground beef
1 onion
1 can green chilis
1 can chicken soup
1 can mushroom soup
1 large can Pet milk
1 can Ro-Tel tomatoes
1 can enchilada sauce
1 pound Velveeta cheese
corn tortillas

Brown together onion and meat; strain and set aside. Heat in large pan until hot, remaining ingredients except cheese and tortillas. Line casserole dish with tortillas or corn chips of your choice. Pour meat and sauce mixture and spread evenly. Cut up chunks of Velveeta and push down into mixture so cheese melts into mixture. Bake at 350 degrees for 30 minutes.

Pineapple-Apricot Salad

12 ounce can crushed pineapple-not drained
2-3 ounce packages orange jello
3/4 cups sugar
2 jars apricot baby food
8 ounces cream cheese
9 ounces Cool Whip
pecans-optional

Combine pineapple and jello in sauce pan. Heat until jello melts. Remove from heat and add sugar, cream cheese and baby food. Chill. Fold in Cool Whip and chill before serving.

YWCA prepares for art auction

The YWCA of Paris and Lamar County is preparing for the celebrity art auction and dinner to be held on May 4.

The auction will be held Friday night, one week prior to the 2001 Art Festival scheduled for Saturday, May 12 at the fair grounds.

The dinner will be authentic Mexican food and Margaritas.

Tickets for the auction/dinner are \$15.00. They may be purchased from the YWCA and from board members.

If you would like to contribute original art work for the auction, call 785-5221.

Isbell reunion planned for May 26

The annual Isbell family reunion will be held Saturday, May 26 at the American Legion Hall in Deport, beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Tickets are \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children.

A dedication ceremony for the Mt. Pleasant Cemetery will be held at 3 p.m. following the reunion.

Video presentation set at PJC

"How to Interview and Hire the Right People" will be presented Wednesday, April 25 from 9:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. in the Alford Center on the PJC campus.

The free three-part video presentation will give complete professional training in how to select employees who will contribute most positively to a specific organization.

To register, contact Continuing Education at 782-0447.



*Post is open Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 3:00 p.m. until 12:00 midnight and Saturday from 12:00 noon until 1:00 a.m. Pool tables and shuffle board are open to enjoy all the time.

*The Ladies Auxiliary will meet the 2nd Monday each month at 7:00 p.m. Members are urged to attend.

*The V.F.W. men will meet the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Members are urged to attend.

*All comrades are urged to attend the meeting April 23, 2001 to elect officers for next year. The support of all members is needed to keep the post strong and active.

Deport Trades Day!

May 5th, Main St., Deport
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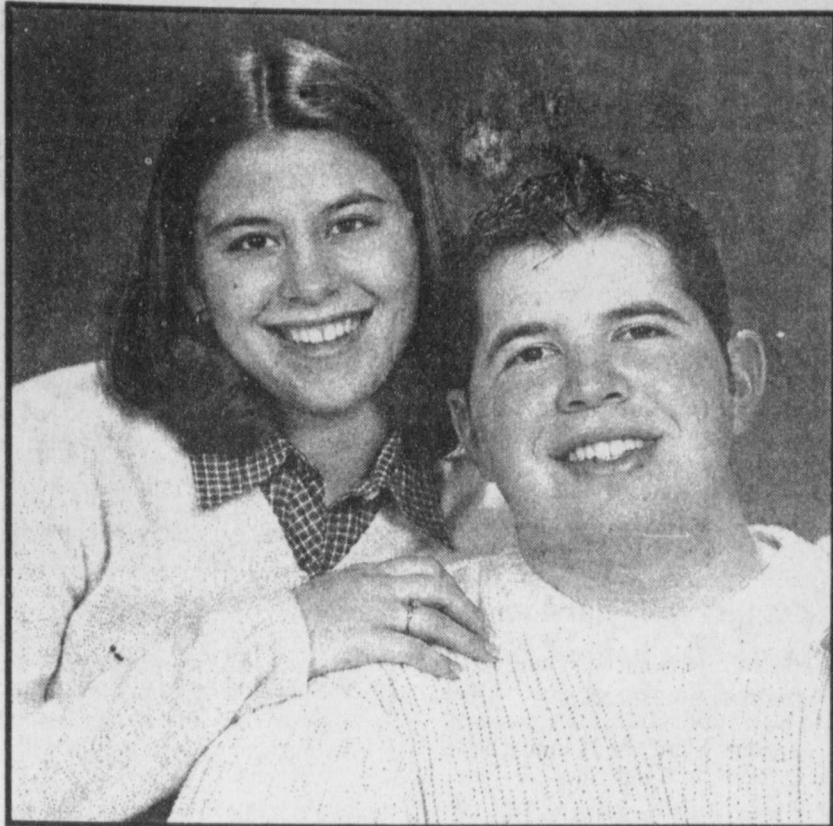
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Denise Gaston and Jeremy Lee King

Gaston-King to wed May 19, 2001

Douglas and Lori Gaston of Howe, Texas and Kerry and Carla King of Bells, Texas proudly announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their children, Denise Gaston and Jeremy Lee King.

The couple will be married May 19, 2001 at three o'clock in the afternoon at the Church of Christ in Howe, Tx. Kerry King, father of the groom will officiate.

The bride-elect is a graduate of Howe High School and is presently enrolled in the School of Nursing at

Grayson County College in Sherman. She is the granddaughter of Norl and Doris Cochran and Donald and Alice Gaston.

The prospective groom is a graduate of Bells High School and is presently enrolled in Collin County College and is employed by San Antonio Title Co. in Plano. He is the grandson of Mrs. Beryl Miller and the late H.R. Miller of Bogata and Duane and Bobby King of Paris, Tx. He is the great grandson of Jimmie King of Fulbright.



Tasha Michelle Brown and John Mac Bell II

Brown-Bell to wed May 19, 2001

Mrs. Michelle Brown of Hillsboro and Mr. Larry Brown of Purdon are pleased to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter Tasha Michelle to John Mac Bell II, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mac Bell of Bogata.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Elizabeth "Sis" Alsop Eans and the late John Eans of Duncanville and also Pat Adams of Duncanville and David Brown of Purdon. She is a 1998 graduate of Rivercrest High School and is currently a junior Sociology Major and Public Relations Minor at Baylor University in Waco. She is also employed by Hilco Elec-

tric in Itasca, Tx. The prospective groom is the grandson of Faye Bell and the late Hobert Bell of Rosalie and Mr. and Mrs. O.L. Ford of Bogata. He is a 1994 graduate of Rivercrest High School and is self-employed with Bell Sand & Gravel and Propane in Rosalie.

The couple will vow their love for one another on May 19, 2001 at 6 o'clock at the Beaumont Ranch in Grandview, Texas. The couple happily invites friends and family to attend the ceremony and reception to follow.



Maynard-Tucker to wed April 21, 2001

Steven, Amy, Shawn and Cory would like to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their parents, Floyd B. Maynard to Nelda J. Tucker.

The upcoming nuptials will be on the twenty-first day of April, two thousand and one at two o'clock in the afternoon at the First Assembly

of God Church in Bogata. Floyd is the son of Cub and Martha Ann Maynard of Detroit, Tx. and the late Ella Imogene Maynard. Nelda is the daughter of Clifton and Gladys Tucker of Bogata, Tx.

All family and friends are cordially invited to attend.

Student Council to sponsor dance

The Talco Student Council will sponsor a Junior High dance April 21, 2001 at Rivercrest High School from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. Admission will be \$2.00 per student.

Only Rivercrest Junior High students may attend. All Talco and Bogata 6th-7th and 8th graders are encouraged to come and join the fun.

FOOT NOTES



Dr. Austin Roman

Heel Spur Surgery

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BOGATA HIGH SCHOOL-graduating class of 1961 who attended this year's homecoming are: (back row from the left) Morris Floyd Trimm, Doris (Watson) Morris, Teacher, Bonnie Huddleston, Patsy (Cheatwood) Hudson, Donna Rozell, Donnie Strain, Donald Screws and Jim Stewart and (front from the left) Charles Skaggs, Charles Armstrong and Sammy Speir.

Class of '61 holds 40 year reunion

In conjunction with the annual Bogata High School Homecoming the class of 1961 celebrated the 40th anniversary of its graduation with a class reunion in the home of Donna Rozell Saturday, April 14, 2001.

Attending other than the hostess were the following class members and guests: Morris Floyd Trimm and Neva Dell (Bond) Harville, Doris (Watson) Morris, Sid and Patsy (Cheatwood) Hudson, Donnie Strain, Donald and Judy (Roach) Screws, Jim and Mary (Bell) Stewart, Charles

and Annette (Williams) Skaggs, Charles Armstrong, Sma and Sharon Speir, Bonnie Huddleston, Thelma Stewart Anderson, Frances Roach Rozell, Nancy Jack (Rhoads) Ewald, Robert Rhoads, David Rozell, Martha Jo (Smith) Bryson, Sharon Sue (Reynolds) Davison, Robert and Mary Ann (Vaughan) Ward.

Visiting, refreshments and picture taking were enjoyed by the group until they adjourned to attend the homecoming at the school.

Watson tribute is April 25

A tribute to Gene Watson, benefit for medical expenses will be held April 25 at 7 p.m. at the Paris High School Auditorium. The event is sponsored by the Red River Valley Fair Association and all proceeds will be used for Gene Watson's medical expenses.

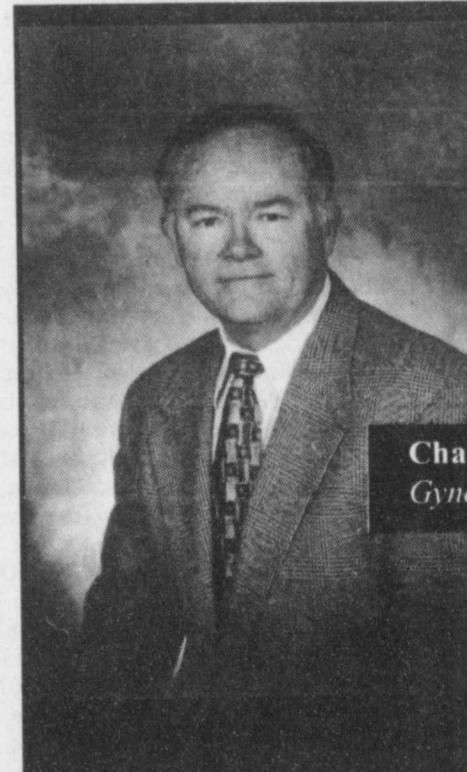
Master of Ceremonies will be Tracy Pitcox of Brady and Wade White will serve as the back up band.

All seats are general admission for \$12.00. Tickets are on sale now.

Silent and live auction items have been donated from entertainers in the

country music industry. Items have been received from Alabama, Clint Black, the Blackwoods, Terri Clark, Vince Gill, Neal McCoy, Reba McEntire, Connie Smith, Marty Stuart, Barbara Fairchild, Buck Owens, Watson and many more.

Doors will open at 6 p.m. for the public to view the auction items.



Charles M. Myers
Gynecology

Welcoming Dr. Charles M. Myers

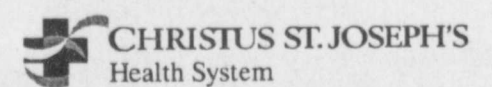
CHRISTUS St. Joseph's Health System welcomes Charles M. Myers, M.D., specializing in gynecology, to its active medical staff, effective April 16.

A former resident of Waco, Dr. Myers is board certified by the American Academy of OG/GYN and is a member of the Texas Medical Association.

Dr. Myers will assume the office and practice of Richard M. Browning, M.D., at 1055 Clarksville St. Dr. Browning's patient records will remain with Dr. Myers. Appointments may be made by calling (903) 785-9551.

Dr. Myers has practiced obstetrics and gynecology both in Waco and in Fort Worth. A graduate of Baylor University, he attended medical school at the University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston and completed his residency at Louisiana State University in Shreveport. Dr. Myers and his wife, Sandra, have two sons, Charles, a radiology resident, and Michael, a third-year medical student.

Dr. Myers enjoys bridge, chess and astronomy.



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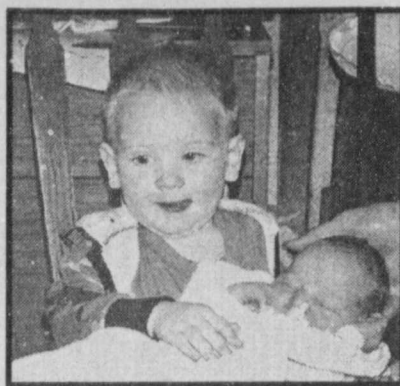
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Michelle and Madison Michelle Miller

New Arrivals

Bryan and Michelle Miller of Copperas Cove, Texas would like to announce the birth of their daughter, Madison Michelle Miller born April 17, 2001 weighing 8 lbs. 8 ozs and was 20 1/2 inches long. Grandparents are David Miller of Bogata, Kayla Hunter of Pittsburg, Debra Heisler of Redmond, OR. and John Hedges of Redmond, OR. Great Grandparents are G.W. and Earlene Miller of Joliet, Ken Hales of Sherman, Edna Jackson of Sherman, Clayton and JoAnne Herster of Oregon, Jack and Mildred Hedges of Oregon. Great Grandmother is Georgia Miller of Bogata.



HANNAH MICHELE GAGE was born March 26 weighing 6 lbs. 13 oz. at 19" long. She is the daughter of Barry and Susan Gage of Talco. Grandparents are Stephen and Gena Gage of Talco and Jimmy and Darlene Craig of Mt. Pleasant. Great-grandparents are Blanton and Bonnye Gage and Paul and Sue Miller of Talco and Betty Taylor of Mt. Pleasant. She joins brother Connor.

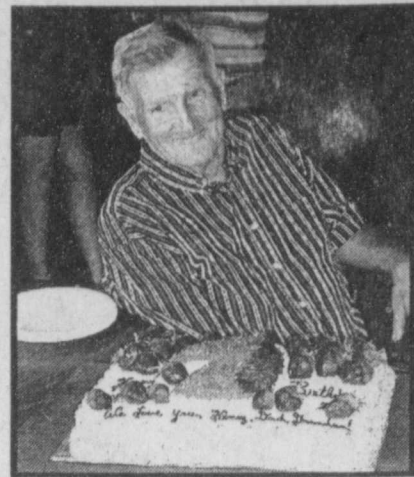
Arthur Smith honored April 15

Charles Arthur Smith was honored with a 70th birthday celebration at his home in Maple Springs by his wife, Patsy, children, Bradley and Laura Smith of Elysian Fields, Jimmy and Gaylene Smith of Arlington and Russell Smith and Vickie Craig of Talco and grandchildren, Chad of Waco, Zack and Josh Smith of Elysian Fields, Aaron Smith of Lufkin and Melanie Smith of Talco. Guests were served a delicious variety meal, birthday cake and ice cream along with many other desserts, dips, chips and drinks.

Arthur received many nice and useful gifts, one being a sure fire rooster complete with a red bow around his neck. Guests also enjoyed Arthur's expression when he opened

a pair of very bright colored silk boxers.

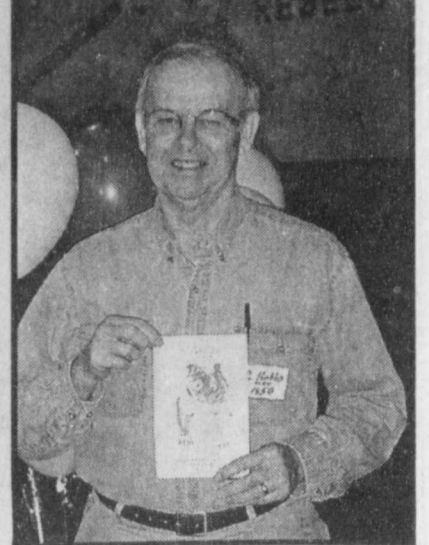
Attending and enjoying the food were: Arthur's sister, Eunice Carter of Houston, niece, Kelly Carter, nephew, Greg and Linda Carter, Clayton and Cory all of Houston, Red and Doris Logan of Sugar Hill, Kathy Nichols of Hughes Springs, Louise Smith of Cookeville, Nancy Anderson of Cookeville, Gerard English of Hughes Springs, Kody English of Winnsboro, Ann Dearmon of Mt. Vernon, Doyle and Sharon Price of Maple Springs, John and Janna Melvin, Joshua and Jayla of Bells, Shirley Whitsell and Harry Whitsell Jr. of Cookeville, Cecil, Robbie and Laura Beville and Eddie and Nancy Brown of Maple Springs.



Arthur Smith

Dignity does not consist in possessing honors, but in deserving them.

---Aristotle (384-322 BC)



GEORGE HOBBS-displays this year's program for the annual Bogata Homecoming. Mr. Hobbs served as Master of Ceremonies for the event. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Class of '43 holds 58th reunion

The 1943 Bogata High School graduating class met for their 58th class reunion on Saturday, April 14 at the Lonesome Dove Restaurant in Deport.

The following members and guests attended: Allene Loven-Hulen, Jimmy and Pat Hulen, Betty Jo Gibson, Joyce Seaman Clark, Mary Jane Deberry Lowry, Mary Fleming East and Glenn, Gaston Puckett and

Roberta, Mervin Childers and Gennety, Betty Ward Terryn and Fred, Lawrence Vaughan and Helen, Wm. Burton Conine, Rosalie Petty Legate, Dot Wilson Petty and Mr. and Mrs. Finner Bell.

Dot Wilson Petty reported on several who had sent regrets not being able to attend. The group agreed to present a check to the Bogata Cemetery Fund from the class.

BHS annual homecoming 2001 is now history

The Class of 1950 would like to thank you for the opportunity to be your host. As any host group will tell you, hosting involves lots of effort but there are many worthwhile personal rewards. We want to recognize also that there are many local graduates who year after year contribute selflessly behind the scenes to make the event successful each year.

The Class of 1953 will be host class for the 2002 BHS Annual Homecoming.

The gym was decorated with enough Green and White balloons to make "Bulldogs" proud. The AM visiting time was well attended and afforded the usual relaxed time to meet and greet friends from the past. The noon meal catered by Coleman's BBQ was delicious.

To begin the afternoon program Mervin Childers led the invocation. Charles Wilkerson and D.A. Wims held the American Flag for the Pledge of Allegiance. Michelle Bryson Smith did a beautiful job of singing, then leading the audience in singing "The Star Spangled Banner". Michelle is the daughter of Bill and Linda Bryson and the granddaughter of Howard Ed and Ola Bryson and Imogene and the late Roy Lee Hudson. Thank you, Michelle.

The program followed a classroom format. Martha Kate Stanton Smiley who was the sixth grade homeroom teacher for the class of 1950 was recognized. Virginia Pike pled the school song (music class). Isn't it great to always be able to point on Virginia? Awards were given for greatest distance traveled (geography class) and oldest alumni (arithmetic class).

"Team reports" recognized the members of the 1937-1940 "Dixon Hatcher Championship Bulldogs". Several members of those teams were present: Howard Ed Bryson, Sam Latimer, Jack Pike, Leland Simms, Norman Simms, A.G. Puckett, A.D. Stephenson, Charles Wilkerson, D.A. Wims. These men and their classmates were not just football heroes. They had impressive records of service to their country in WWII and Korean Conflict. Records included POW Purple Hearts, Valor, Honor upon Honor and, in too many cases the "Ultimate Sacrifice". "Hatcher Bulldogs", we love you and we thank you for what you did and who you are. Not just his coaching records have immortalized Coach Hatcher, but also the impact he had on the life of these and other young men he coached.

Our entertainment was a wonderful piano piece very beautifully performed by Ashleigh Hendrex. Ashleigh has deep family roots in Bogata. She is the granddaughter of Lou Beth Hatcher Hendrex, the great granddaughter of Coach Dixon L. Hatcher and Gladys Barnard Hatcher and the niece of Clifford Barnard. Thank you Ashleigh for gracing our homecoming celebration with your presence and wonderful talent.

Dr. George W. Hobbs, "Tudor" to his classmates and friends, gave a review of the history (history class) of the Bogata School system from 1845 to present. This included interesting facts and stories about facilities, faculty and students. This was very appropriate since this fall will mark the first time since 1845 that a school year will begin without a

school in the Maple Springs/Bogata community. We give a big "thank you" to Tudor for helping us remember and honor our roots and community background. Progress demands change but history remains fixed. Bogata Bulldogs are forever, even when "we are no more".

The Class of 1940 paid a very, very special tribute to their classmate, Howard Ed Bryson, who recently was found to have advanced cancer in both lungs. The tribute recounted that Howard Ed was a graduate who chose to stay in Bogata to "seek his fortune, marry and raise his family". It also noted a life filled with family, many varied business enterprises and jobs (frequently simultaneously) and church and civic activities. The class recommended therapy was "...a foot stomping Bulldog Yell". Virginia Pike (resident cheerleader) led "STANDIN' IN THE GRANDSTAND, BEATIN' ON A TIN CAN, WHO CAN, WE CAN...GO BULLDOGS". Howard Ed, Ola, Duane, Bill, Charles and your families...be CHEERED BY RESPECT, HONOR AND GOOD WILL, God bless you.

Finally, Neil Rozell, much to his surprise, was asked to be the presenter of a bouquet to two ladies who the Class of 1950 had chosen to recognize for their service to community, school, and particularly BHS Homecoming. Frances Roach Rozell and Frances Mayes Rozell were also surprised when their names were announced and grandchildren appeared to lead them across the floor. Thank you, Rozell family.

Bulldogs, remember homecoming next year.

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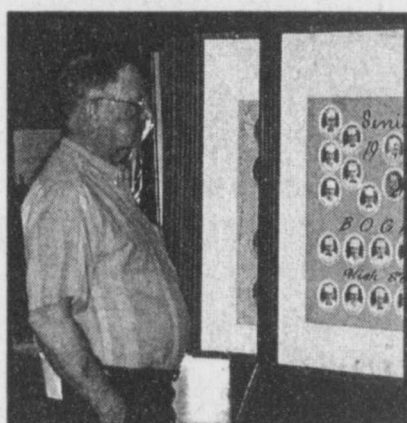
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GUESTS-at the Bogata Homecoming enjoyed looking at graduating class pictures displayed in the gym. The event was a success even though the weather did not cooperate. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Descendants search for relatives

Descendants of Leander Walter Moore and Drucilla Emmaline Quinn and their children James Leroy Moore, Mary Elizabeth Moore, Thomas Clinton, Martyn Quinn, Lillian, Annie Laurie and Alice J. are researching their genealogy and finding long lost cousins.

Also trying to locate descendants of Annie McConville, William H. McConville, Ann Walker McAllister. These families were in the Annona, English, Henrietta, Avery, Mill Creek, Garland and generally Red River County areas from approximately 1850 through today. Any information will be appreciated.

An extended reunion and first time meeting for many is planned for May 4-6 in Mesquite. Please contact them with information.

Cousins are searching for the descendants of Pearce or Pierce Kelly or Kelley and his wife, Mary Elizabeth and descendants of Helen Lamar Kelley Purdue or Purdue, George Woodrow Wilson and John Jefferson Purdue or Purdue or Alice Wilson Mauldin's maternal and paternal families, also Mr. and Mrs. Garvin, b. 1812. These pioneer families were in the Bogata, Cuthand, Joliet areas from approximately 1850 through 1920's or more.

If you can help them connect, please contact L. Moore, 705 Roundtree Dr., Mesquite, TX 75150, 972-681-2683; L.T. Moore, ltmoores@pdq.net; T. Jay Moore, tja@mail.utexas.edu.



THE REGISTERING TABLE-was a busy place at the Bogata Homecoming held Saturday, April 14, 2001 at the school. Guests enjoyed visiting, lunch, a program following lunch and more visiting. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

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MARTHA SUE STROUD-(center) displayed her latest books and visited with guests, (right) Billie Bishop and her sister at the Bogata Homecoming held Saturday. Despite the inclement weather the reunion was a success. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Transfer 2001-02
 Parents interested in transferring students to the Rivercrest ISD should pick up transfer forms in the Superintendent's Office and Rivercrest by April 25, 2001 in order to attend the school next year. For more information call the school at 903-632-5204.

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 ---Voltaire



MIRIAM STEPHENSON-talks with guest at the Bogata Homecoming Saturday about the plaque honoring local veterans who lost their lives in war. The plaque is displayed at the Bogata Library/Museum. Mrs. Stephenson also took donations for the Library/Museum and encouraged guests to visit before returning home. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Williams-Weatherall honored with wedding shower

Jana Weatherall and Kevin Williams were honored with a wedding shower at the home of Mrs. Joyce Buckman Sunday, April 1, 2001. The serving table was covered with a white lace tablecloth over burgundy satin cloth with two silver candelabras decorated with pink and burgundy ribbon and candles of the brides chosen colors. The table was tiered with satin cloth ballooned through the sherbet punch and mints. A fresh bouquet of pink roses completed the centerpiece. The chocolate and white cake was adorned with pink rose bouquets made with cream cheese frosting. At tiered levels lay a silver platter with fresh fruit and a platter of cho-

late dipped strawberries. Nuts and mints finished the tiered table arrangement. Special guests were Mrs. Joan Weatherall, mother of the bride of Talco, Mrs. Hazel Northcutt, grandmother of the bride, Mrs. Elsie Weatherall, grandmother of the bride, Kathy Williams, mother of the groom and Mrs. Ellen Tuck, grandmother of the groom, both of Bogata. Approximately sixty guests attended the shower. The couple received many nice gifts. Hostesses were; Mrs. Joyce Buckman, Mrs. Sandra Odetha Dubberly, Mrs. Mary Ellen Kain, Mrs. Margie Walker, Mrs. Mary Joplin, Mrs. Stella Mankins and Mrs. Peggy Strain.

Fairview Cemetery work day set for April 21, 2001

A "work day" at Fairview Cemetery in Franklin County will be held Saturday, April 21, 2001. The Board of Directors is setting this day which is required by the Fairview Cemetery Association in preparation for the homecoming on May 6, 2001. Should inclement weather prevent this work day, the following Saturday, April 28, 2001 is designated as the work day. The group is very grateful to Don Thompson for the volunteer work he has donated to the cemetery. Contributions to Fairview Cemetery have been received from Fay Sloan, Mrs. La Rue McKee, Jo Ann Barber, Virginia Ford in memory of Coella Laws; Mrs. Jean Stockton in memory of the Clawson family;

Mattie Stubblefield in memory of Jay Stubblefield. Memorials to Irene Hill were given by Mr. and Mrs. Murray Collins, Helen Biggerstaff, Charles Dawson, Valera Moore, Charles Moore, Scooter Deimel and Jon Deimel. Other contributions have been received from Mrs. D.D. Bell, Glen Martin and John B. and Sharyn Spar. Send your donations for Fairview Cemetery to: Sue Street; Rt. 1 Box 135, Talco, Tx. 75487 or the First National Bank, Mt. Vernon, Tx. 75457. Everyone is encouraged to come out for the work day and to make plans to attend the homecoming May 6.

Talco Locals

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

Sympathy is extended to the Giddens, Savage and Brooks families during the loss of their loved ones. Charles Graf, Rachel and Susan spent Thursday shopping at the Bossier City Air Force Base in Shreveport, LA. Thursday. Carol Laing and Bill Newman attended a retirement party in Avinger Thursday night. Jack, Jennifer and Jaden Brown of Paris visited over night with Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Brown Saturday. They all attended services at Maple Springs Church Sunday and enjoyed the lunch and Easter Egg Hunt that followed morning services. Also visiting Saturday and joining their family Sunday were Kim, Paul and Quinton Anderson. The Talco Calvary Baptist Church youth enjoyed a Scavenger Hunt in M. Pleasant Friday and a camp out at the home of Shane and Leslie Wright, Alex and Jacob. The inclement

weather sent tents flying and the group into the Wright home to finish out the evening. Happy April birthday to: Chaz Smith, Emily McCuller, Zach Sewell and Shelbi Roberts. Carol Laing and Bill Newman spent April 4-8 in Georgia visiting his daughter and granddaughter. They report a wonderful visit and trip. The Maple Springs Church enjoyed lunch and an Easter Egg Hunt following services Sunday morning. Mr. and Mrs. Wade Cline and girls visited with Mr. and Mrs. Weldon Hawkins and attend services at Maple Springs Sunday. They also enjoyed the covered dish lunch and egg hunt that followed. Donnette and Matthew Parrott and children were honored with a House Warming Friday, April 13, 2001 at their new home south of Talco. Guests were served a wonderful meal and the couple received many nice and useful gifts.

Bogata Methodist Women meet

The Bogata Methodist Women met Wednesday, April 11, 2001 in the Fellowship Hall. Mary Kathryn Cotten opened the meeting with the devotional, "The Last Few Pounds". Twelve members and two guests were present. Kim Kelsey introduced the guest speaker, Patricia Higgins, RN, MSN, CFPN, Certified Family Nurse Practitioner, who works at the Bogata Clinic from Christus St. Joseph's Health System. She discussed health

issue involved in the aging process. She also stressed the importance of exercise, drinking six to eight glasses of water daily and getting a balanced diet. Questions from members were also answered. Kim gave each member present a brochure and pen. Mary Kathryn Cotten presided over the business session. The meeting closed with dismissal prayer. The next meeting will be in May. Eleanor McCluer will be program chairman.

RHS Athletic Boosters meet

The Rivercrest Athletic Booster Club met Monday, April 2, 2001. The deadline was set for May 1, 2001 for scholarship applications to be turned in by Rivercrest graduating seniors. The same date was set for next year's slogan contest. The winning slogan will be printed on T-shirts to be sold by the Booster Club next year. All high school students may enter the slogan contest. Officers for next year were elected. They are: President-Connie Giles; Vice President-Leah Cabell; Secre-

tary-Sherrie Cheatwood and Treasurer-Karen Beers. The boys junior high district track meet was set for Friday, April 6 at Rivercrest. Club members were encouraged to attend to help with the concession stand which is a big fundraiser for the club and helps greatly toward scholarship money. The next meeting was set for Thursday, May 3, 2001 at 7:00 p.m. at Rivercrest. All members are urged to attend.

Game Management Seminar is April 26

Tri County Feed and Purina Mills, Inc. is hosting a game management seminar on April 26 at Franklin County Airport in Mt. Vernon at 6:30 p.m. Discussion will include pond management, game nutrition and there will be game feeders on display.

An American Hunter fish feeder will be given to one lucky winner as a door prize. Snacks and sandwiches will be served. RSVP by April 25 to 537-4516, 342-5238 or 439-6071. One CEU hour credit on herbicide/pesticide license will be given.

Princess contestants needed!

Attention all young cowgirls! Have you ever dreamed of being a Rodeo Princess? Well, here's your chance to make those dreams come true. The Bogata Rodeo Association, Inc. is once again sponsoring a Princess Contest for the 2001 Bogata Rodeo. The contest is open to girls from the ages of five years through twelve years and it does not matter what town you live in. Each contestant will be judged:

25% appearance; 25% personality; and 50% ticket sales. Great prizes will be awarded to the top individuals. If you are interested in wearing the crown of the 2001 Bogata Rodeo Princess, then go to www.bogatarodeo.org on the worldwide web and click on the Princess tab to learn more. You can call JoAnn Evans at 632-5196. Deadline for entering the contest is May 15.

Quake on Town Lake is April 28-29

The fifth annual Quake on Town Lake will be Saturday and Sunday, April 28-29 in Mt. Pleasant. The professional outboard drag boat racing competition featuring the Outboard Drag Boat Association will feature racers from Louisiana, Mississippi, Tennessee, Alabama, North Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Texas,

Oklahoma and Arizona and Iowa. From 80 to 100 boats are expected to participate in the fundraiser for Cypress Basin Hospice. Gates open at 10 a.m. Saturday and Sunday with races beginning at noon each day. No alcoholic beverages are not allowed in the park.

Sugar Bakers asking for donations

Judy Easley and Joy Easley will once again be asking for donations for the American Cancer Society's "Relay for Life". They will be leaving Flamingos in yards once again. The birds will be left in your yard late in the evening then picked up late the next evening, before dark. Please do not take the birds, they are put out to get donations for a very

good cause. If you do not feel comfortable leaving your cash or checks in the yard, call 379-9195 or 379-5976 and they will come to your home at your convenience and pick up your donation. Make all checks payable to the American Cancer Society.

PTO discusses open house/supper

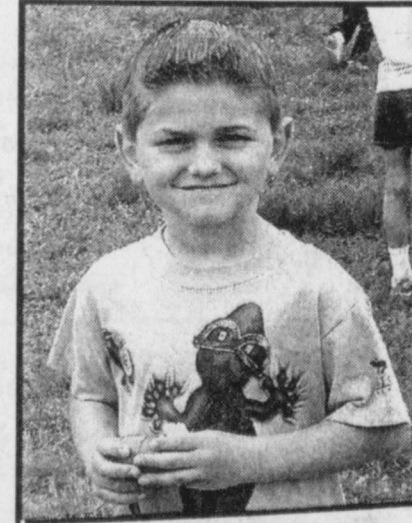
The Rivercrest P.T.O. met on Monday April 16th. Bylaws were handed out to be read over and approved at the next meeting. The Open House Hamburger Supper was discussed and will be voted on at the next meeting. The group will meet again on April 23 at 6:00p.m. in the Rivercrest Home-making Dept. to approve the by-laws and the hamburger supper. Dues of \$2.00 per person will also be col-

lected at this meeting before the voting. Playground memorial donations are being taken in Talco and Bogata. In Bogata they may be mailed to Kim Kelsey, P.O. Box 730, Bogata, Texas 75417 or dropped off at St. Josephs Family Clinic. Please remember to attend the meeting on Monday, April 23 at 6:00 p.m. at Rivercrest.

National Library week observed

Students at Bogata School celebrated National Library Week April 1-8 with special emphasis each day. Monday was "Make Your Mark Day--Read". Every student received a pencil. Tuesday was "get Comfy With Reading" day. Students and teachers were encouraged to wear their favorite house shoes. Wednesday was "Orange You Glad You Can Read?" day. Everyone was encouraged to wear something orange and oranges were served for lunch. Thursday was "Sweeten Up With Reading!" day. All students were given a sucker. Friday was "Rebels Read!" day. Everyone was encouraged to wear their favorite Rebel T-shirt. Special announcements each day recognized winners of the A.M. Aikin Jr. Reding Achievement award. Librarian, Linda Gray stated she is very proud of the students who par-

ticipate in all the schools reading programs.



JONATHAN MOORE-was a lucky winner of a savings bond when he found the prize egg at the Talco Park Annual Easter Egg Hunt Saturday. Although the day was cloudy and threatened rain the event was well attended. The savings bonds were donated by the Talco Guaranty Bank. Jonathan is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bradley Moore of Talco. Congratulations Jonathan! (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

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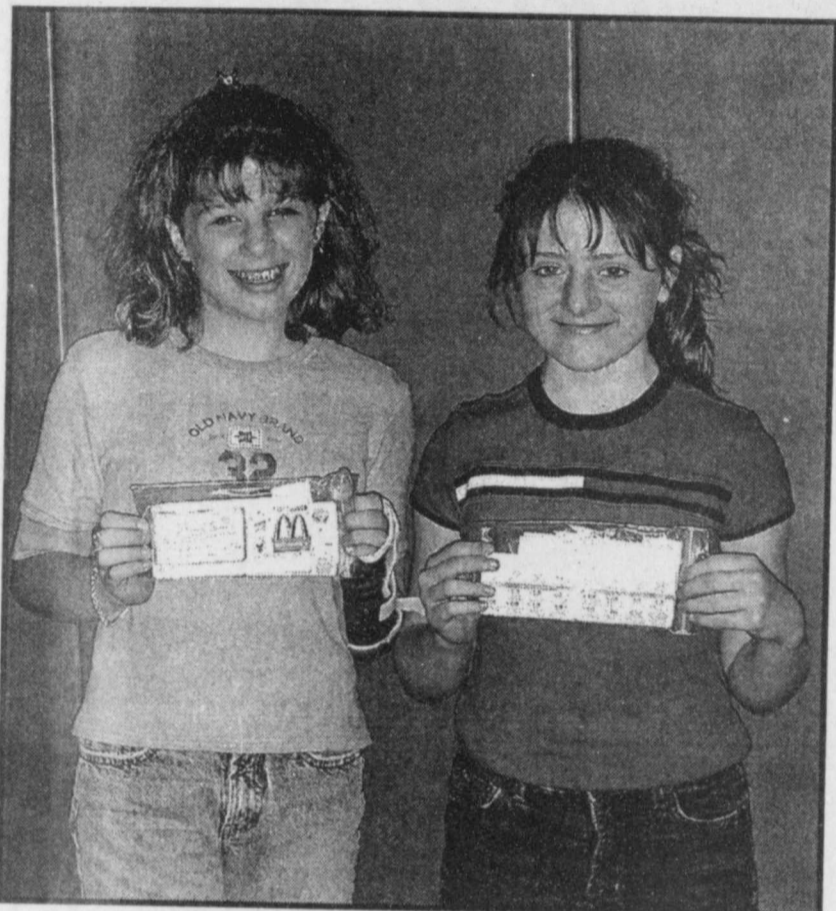
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SPECIAL VISIT-The Easter Bunny, better known as Mary Ellen Kain, made a special visit to BreAnn Fulbright last week. BreAnn had recently come home from the hospital where she underwent surgery.



RIVERCREST JUNIOR HIGH-Cheerleaders Lauren Beers and Kirby Needham display the McDonald's Discount Cards the group will be selling to earn funds for their uniforms and supplies. The cards are \$10 each and offer great savings. They can be purchased from Bailee Spencer, Mandy Crawford, Crystal Howerton, Lauren Beers, Kirby Needham and Cortney Merchant at Bogata or from Whitney Savage or Alex Wright in Talco.

Bogata Locals

April 5-6 Gerlyn and Jerry Gray and Margaret Davis had special visits. Norman and Ester Parker of Iona, Missouri came by. Norman and Gerlyn had not seen each other for 11 years. Margaret Davis is Norman's great aunt and she treated everyone to a steak dinner at the Western Sizzlin' Restaurant in Mt. Pleasant.

Tuesday Jerry and Gerlyn Gray and Margaret Davis went to Hugo Lake to camp and fish with Danny, Jessica and Marli Hines, Bobby and Pansy Hines. They report fishing was poor due to the cooler weather and thunderstorms.

Happy April wedding anniversary to: Ike and Dori Roach and Vandy and Elanie Morgan.

Zelma Mauldin, Phyllis Duffer, Margie Garrett and Yvonne Powell of Carrollton enjoyed a mini-vacation last week in Hot Springs, Arkansas. Joining them for a couple of days were Tricia Bradley of Bismark, Arkansas and Susie Fowler of Blevins, Arkansas. They all report a wonderful time.

Recent visitors with Donald, Judy and Tana Screws were Jerry, Chris Anna, Christopher and Jerred Guerra of Paris, Mike Screws of Deport and Bren Cobb of Paris.

Thursday Judy Holt was taken by ambulance to Titus County Regional Medical Hospital ER and diagnosed with strep-throat. She was discharged to Monday, April 16 and is reported doing well.

Jean Blankenship Holmes of Tyler and Mary Ann Williams of Bogata visited Friday with Dixie Stringfellow. Also visiting with Dixie during the week were Vicki Tabb, Felina, Chad and Jerica White, Kaley Stringfellow, Danny Tabb, Billy Stringfellow and Jimmy Stringfellow.

George and Janet Hobbs of Huntsville and Susan Hobbs of Houston spent the weekend at their place, Little Chicoga. They also visited Helen

Williams and attended the Bogata Schoo Homecoming on Saturday.

Thursday afternoon Nina Holt broke the fingers on her left hand while working cattle at the family ranch. Heath and Heather Holt spent several days with Nina and Robert while their mom was in the hospital.

Happy April birthday to: Melanie Klein, Elvis Wooten, Suzann Shovan, Destiny Anderson, Eric Baird, Scotty Goodwin, Felina White, Gene Hawkins and Vandy Morgan.

Meeting at Thomas Park Sunday for a picnic and egg hunt were Billy and Kathy Stringfellow, Kaley and Kellen, Joe and Misty Stringfellow, Tyler, Darrin, Brent, Josh and Jake, Felina White and Jerica, Jimmy Stringfellow, Mrs. Dixie Stringfellow, James White, Danny White, Megan and Lauren Wall.

Visiting Chrystine Baker Wednesday were Sue, Jennifer and Piper Elizabeth Mears of Dallas. They also visited with Billie Welch of Blossom. Billie is Piper's great grandmother.

Jerry and Gerlyn Gray, Jessica and Marli Hines attended church at the Cuthand Methodist Church Easter Sunday. Heather and Heath Holt were in an Easter program, "The Three Trees", which was very touching. The children all did a great job.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Betty Dodd.

Helen Williams spent the weekend in Commerce with Granville and Haletha Jones. They attended the wedding of Robert Lynn Jones and Corinne Janke of Duncanville Saturday evening. The wedding took place at the Hanging Gardens there.

Sunday afternoon Jennifer and Riley Reeder, Willie Mae and Jessie Gray and Linda Gray visited with Jerry and Gerlyn Gray, Margaret Davis, Danny, Jessica and Marli Hines, Heather and Heath Holt.

Wayne and Alice Grogan of San Antonio attended the April 14th Bogata Homecoming and the 60th reunion of his Bogata High School Class of 1941.

Bogata Locals

Billie Welch of Blossom visited Monday with Chrystine Baker. They took flowers to family gravesides and enjoyed lunch at the 909 Restaurant.

Helen Williams and daughter, Patty Barton of Bagwell spent Tuesday and Wednesday visiting with their sister and aunt, Allene Chandler at Leggett. They also visited with Mr. and Mrs. Milton Lee of Livingston, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Wilkerson, Mrs. Ronnie Hunt of Lufkin, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Chandler of Saratoga and Mr. and Mrs. George Hobbs of Huntsville.

Happy April Birthday to: Bo Yale, Peggy Yale, Betty Joy Puckett, Camilia Mankins, Mallory Rozell, Haley Bivins, Brittany Perez, Delores Cheatwood, Todd Ward, Lana Pirtle Buchheit, Sandra Haldeman, Duane Allen, Bettye Williams, Dee Richardson and Danny and Michael Tabb.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Donald Screws and Tana Sunday were Jerry, Chris Anna, Christopher and Jerred Guerra of Paris, Kenneth Murphy of Minter and Mike Screws of Deport.

The Women's and Men's Sunday School classes of First Baptist Church

Bogata met at the Lonesome Dove Restaurant in Deport on Friday night, April 6 to honor Betty Sue and James A. Watts on the occasion of their recent marriage. A beautiful hanging basket was presented to the couple along with many good wishes. Those attending were; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Franklin, Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Gray, Mr. and Mrs. Don Guess, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Porterfield, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Ragsdill, Ms. Judy Ward, Mr. and Mrs. Bill White and Mr. and Mrs. Glen White.

Happy April Anniversary to Jessie and Kenderly Woods.

Joe Ford is reported home and doing well following lung surgery.

Alan Boyd has been returned to St. Joseph's Hospital in Paris for therapy following a lengthy stay and brain surgery at ETMC in Tyler. For those who would like to send him a card or give him call, he is in Room 117. He is reported improving daily. Alan is the husband of Sherry Taylor Boyd and the son-in-law of Pete and Lillian Taylor of Bogata.

Lady Rebels compete at District

The Lady Rebel Track and Field Team ended the season at the District Meet held at Paul Hewitt High School on April 12, 2001. Girls participating and placing were as follows:

400 meter relay-4th place, Tina Carder, Molly Hare, Danielle Easterling and Charla Hines with a time of 56.40.

800 meter run-Stephanie Williams with a time of 2:56 and Erica Williams with a time of 3:00.

800 meter relay-5th place, Tina Carder, Molly Hare, Danielle Easterling and Stephanie Williams with a time of 2:05.40.

100 meter hurdles-Michell Bryant-4th place with a time of 18:02.

100 meter dash-Tina Carder with a time of 14:00.

400 meter run-Charla Hines-2nd place with a time of 6:25. The win qualifies Charla for the Regional Meet. Rachel Case also participated

in the race.

300 meter hurdles-Michelle Bryant-3rd place with a time of 52.5.

200 meter dash-Charla Hines-3rd with a time of 27:95 Krystal Valenzuela also participated in the race.

1600meter run-Stephanie Williams-4th place with a time of 6:24; Nikki Jones with a time of 7:10 and Robyn Hollis with a time of 7:36.

Long Jump-Charla Hines, Tina Carder and Rachel Case.

Triple Jump-Tina Carder and Michell Bryant.

Shot Put-Jamie Daniels-4th place with a throw of 29'1. Also participating were Molly Moles and Danielle Varner.

Discus-Jamie Daniels, Molly Moles and Danielle Varner.

Coach Debbie Williams was well pleased with the girls accomplishments this year.

Talco Sugar Bakers giving away swing

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School Board election unnecessary

It will be unnecessary to hold a Rivercrest Board of Trustee election this year due to no opposition.

Postions 2 and 5 held by Jimmy Via and Charlie Hines will continue to be held by Mr. Via and Mr. Hines.



LARAMIE LUM-found the prize egg in his division at the annual Talco Park Easter Egg Hunt held Saturday. Laramie received a savings bond donated by Talco Guaranty Bank. Laramie is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Scott Lum of Talco. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Talco-Bogata-RHS school menu April 23-27

- Monday**
- Breakfast: Waffles w/syrup, juice & milk
- Lunch: Corndogs, mac/cheese, beans, fruit, milk
- Tuesday**
- Breakfast: Cinnamon rolls, graham crackers w/peanut butter, juice & milk
- Lunch: Chicken spaghetti, peas, salad, crackers, milk
- Wednesday**
- Breakfast: Sausage biscuit, jelly & butter, juice & milk
- Lunch: Crispito, beans, corn, fruit cobbler, milk
- Thursday**
- Breakfast: Sausage pancake on a stick w/syrup, juice & milk
- Lunch: Ham & cheese sandwiches, chips, salad, fruit cup, milk
- Friday**
- Breakfast: Cereal, toast, juice & milk
- Lunch: Cheeseburgers, seasoned beans, burger salad, chips, ice cream, milk

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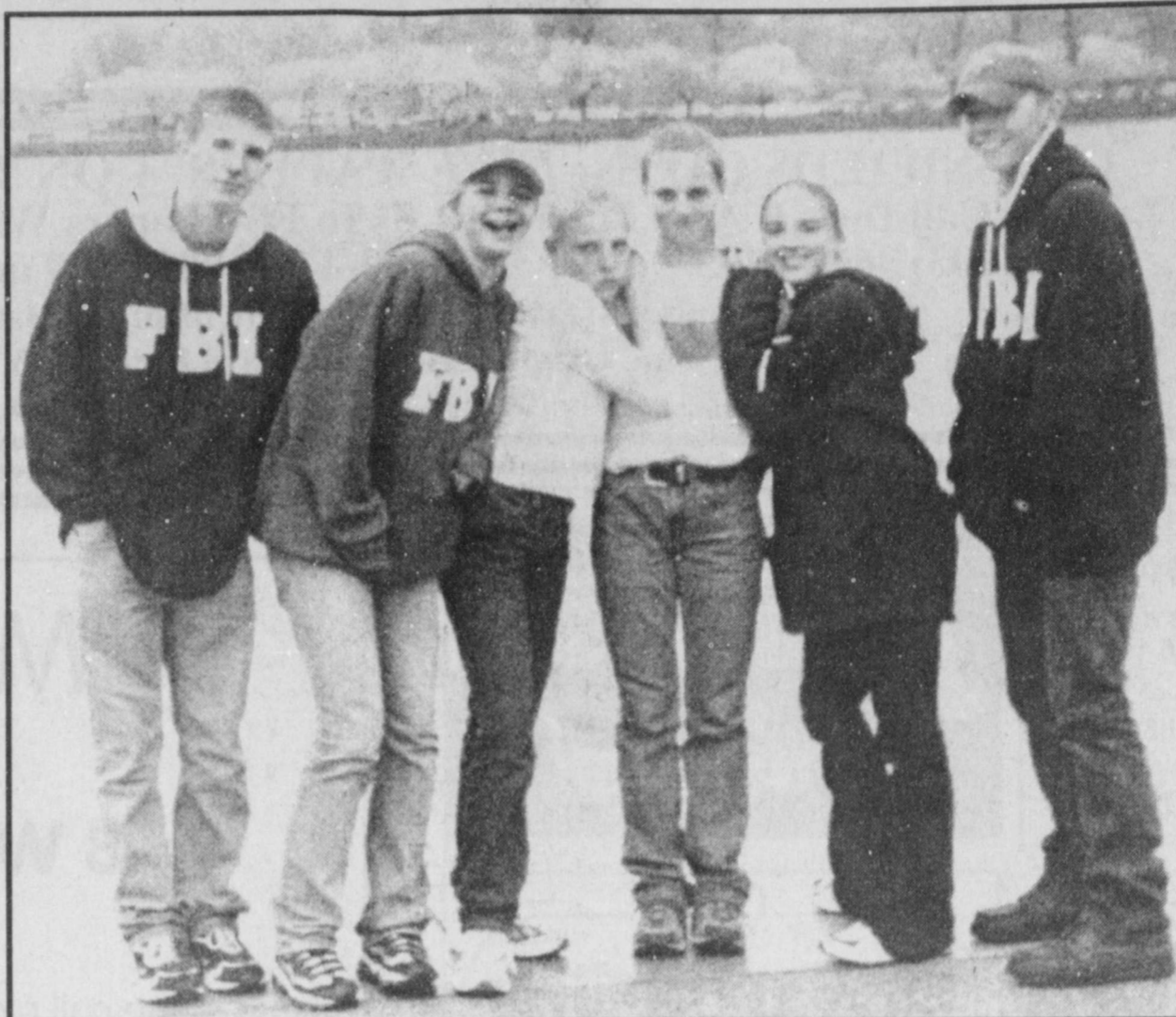
The week began with a visit to Jamestown Settlement. The students watched a glass blowing demonstration, before traveling to the settlement. At the settlement, students saw a Pohowatan Indian camp, replicas of the ships that brought the first English settlers to America and the fort. There were numerous demonstrations of life during the 1600's. After boarding the bus, they traveled to Colonial Williamsburg, Virginia. After a meal at Shields Tavern, the students toured the town. Numerous scenes from everyday life during the

time period were seen. The students also visited the Yorktown battlefield.

The students then traveled to Washington D.C. During their time there, they visited the Capitol, the Smithsonian, the numerous memorials, the Holocaust Museum, Arlington National Cemetery, Kennedy Center, the Newseum and Ford's Theater. They also visited Mt. Vernon, George Washington's plantation.

The students paid for the Washington portion of their trip. Candy, pizza sales and donations helped to pay for the day in Jamestown and Williamsburg.

Those attending were Cassie McCuller, R.C. Pitts, Matthew Ross, Jill Shirley, Kerri Simmons and Dawn Wilson.



PICTURED-standing on the banks of the Potomac River with the Washington Monument in the background are; (from the left) Matthew Ross, Cassie McCuller, Jill Shirley, Kerri Simmons, Dawn Wilson and R.C. Pitts.

Oops!

We would like to offer an apology to those whose local news and some upcoming events that were left out of last week's paper.

The Bogata Locals file on my computer was overlooked and we failed to print it out. Those items will be printed this week and we hope our mistake did not inconvenience anyone badly. Please forgive us for the error.

Thank You,
Nancy Brown and the
Thunder Prairie Staff

Johnstown Opry closed

The Johnstown Opry will be closed until and undetermined time due to the recent death of Betty Dodd.

If and when the Opry is re-opened it will be announced in the local newspaper. Appreciation is extended to those who came to play and sing or to just enjoy the music and fellowship.

Rivercrest PTO

accepting donations

Rivercrest ISD PTO is accepting donations for playground equipment for the new elementary school.

Anyone wishing to make a donation in memory of someone will have their name and the person in whose memory the gift was made engraved on a plaque that will be displayed in the school.

Donations may be mailed to Lori Franks, Rivercrest High School, Rt. 1 Box 253, Bogata, Tx. 75417 or to Linda Brown, Guaranty Bank, Talco, Tx. 75487. All contributions will be greatly appreciated.

April 23

The Cunningham VFD will host a Fish Fry on April 23, 2001 beginning at 6:00 p.m. A \$5.00 donation will buy all you can eat. Come out for a good meal, fellowship and help support the First Responder's Unit, which all proceeds will go toward.

York family reunion planned

The descendants of the late Thomas Alfred and Josie (Cooper) York will meet for a reunion on Sunday, June 24, 2001 at the Bogata Community Center. For more information call Dixie at 903-632-4525 or Betty at 940-387-4295. All family members are urged to make plans to attend.

Easter Eve eggstravaganza held

The sixth annual Easley Easter Eve Eggstravaganza was held Saturday, April 14 at the home of Johnny and Joy Easley and the Squash Farm.

Despite the rain and mud, 952 eggs were hid and found by 29 children

and 31 adults.

Everyone enjoyed a late lunch, games and visiting. The ole Bunny was tired, but has rested and is looking forward to next year.

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