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The journey to power

"Ask not what your country can do for you, ask what you can do for your country" it's one of the most famous of American quotations, spoken during the Kennedy era, when dreams and hopes of a better world were so high.

Now, we seem to spend most of our time bemoaning the fate of our nation. Disagreements, gloom and doom, and a feeling of apathy because "it won't make any difference" frequently punctuate the conversation any time there is a gathering.

Well, in the words of a not-so-famous song, "Get over it".

You don't think that you can change anything?? No one can change anything? Think again.

We have forgotten, in this age of multimedia hype, that changes don't happen only on a very high level. Change begins at home.

Instead of all this apathy, why don't we get off of our collective backsides and DO SOMETHING!

Don't like the way your community government is being run? Run for office. Any one of us can do it. Seriously, why are we saying "it's not my place, but if I had a say it would be done in such and such a way"? Why don't we serve on school boards, city councils, advisory boards, church committees, service clubs?

We say "we don't have time". I found out many years

ago, one never FINDS TIME, one has to MAKE TIME.

And that is what the people "in charge" do, make time.

But, you ask, how does this effect our country? These small towns and school districts and service clubs have no influence or effect on this nation! Wrong.

All government starts at a basic level. Everyone who obtains a position of power begins at some level, and many begin at a very "low" stage.

In addition, the input of small towns and small cities is felt on a county level. And the opinions, wants and needs of counties are felt at a district level, and on a state level, and things that are expressed at a state level frequently combine with other states to create a nationwide program, or policy!

So, start now, start at home, and have your say! Do something besides gripe. Make your feelings known. Express yourself, run for office, sign on board to help some organization. You might just be amazed at how powerful your contributions are!

Class of '71 needs help

The Rivercrest class of 1971 class reunion committee is looking for classmates Lonnie Ray Montgomery and Mike Buchanan.

If you have any information concerning their whereabouts, contact Rita Bragg at 903-5720-0395.

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DRU DENISON, second from left, received a certificate of recognition from Christus St. Joseph's Health System president Monty McLaurin after Denison was selected to the Outstanding Rural Scholar Program. Denison, whose selection was announced by the Texas Center for Rural Health Initiatives, was nominated by Christus St. Joseph's Health System. On the far left and right are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Denison of Rosalie.

Denison nominated as "Rural Scholar"

Dru Denison of Rosalie has been selected to the Outstanding Rural Scholar Recognition Program based on his nomination by Christus St. Joseph's Health System. The selection was announced by the Texas Center for Rural Health Initiatives.

According to Monty McLaurin, President/CEO, Christus St. Joseph's, "We are honored to support Dru in his desire and aspirations to enter the medical field. As a Rural Scholar, he is making a long term commitment to practice medicine in this region following medical school, internship and residency training"

A graduate of Rivercrest High School and Austin College, Sherman, Denison has been admitted to the University of Texas-Houston Medical School. He will be moving to Houston later this month and will

begin his first year in August. Dru is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Denison.

Denison's interest in medicine dates back to high school when he began as a junior volunteer at McCustion Regional Medical Center. During the summer months he would work in various departments with special interest in emergency medicine. Following high school graduation,

he continued to volunteer in the emergency department when not in summer school.

The ORSRP is a forgiveness loan program which assists rural communities in "growing their own" health care professionals by matching community funds with state funds to support a student of the community's choice in a health professional education program.

Fifty percent of the student's forgiveness loan is contributed by the sponsoring entity, Christus St. Joseph's Health System and the other 50% is contributed by the Center for Rural Health Initiatives.

For each year the student receives a loan through the program, the student provides a year of health care in the sponsoring rural community.

Denison is expected to return to the Paris area in seven to eight years, depending on the medical specialty he selects. Ironically, the first ORSRP selection from Paris, Dr. Tuesday Smallwood Chadwick begins her practice of obstetrics and gynecology this month. She began her quest some eight years ago to return to practice medicine in her hometown.

Cuthand Homecoming is Sunday

The annual Cuthand Homecoming will be held Sunday, July 29.

Church services will be held at 9:45, lunch will be served at noon.

Following lunch, there will be a song service. There are several groups lined up for this singing service. There will be congregational singing and specials. If you or any group would like to join in, please feel free.

The church is in the process of being remodeled, and everyone is invited to come see what is happening at the Cuthand United Methodist Church.

The annual Cuthand Homecoming is always a good place to see old friends, have some good food and wonderful singing.

Paper goods and ice will be furnished.



FACE LIFT-the Cuthand Methodist Church has been receiving a face lift. When the congregation could not locate land to build a new church on, it was decided to add onto and improve the one they have. And so it is almost complete. Everyone is welcome to attend, view the new improvements and share in worship. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



HAY FIRE-a huge hay barn, containing about 270 bales of hay, burned Monday afternoon, and required the efforts of Bogata, Talco and Cuthand Volunteer Fire Departments. The hay was located at the home of Paul and Trina Keys, about half way between Bogata and Talco. The bales in the foreground have been foamed down. Hot weather makes fire fighting efforts difficult this time of year. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)



THE COBLE FAMILY-will minister in song at the First Assembly of God Church in Bogata located on Hwy 271 South on July 29 at 5:00 p.m. The style of music as a foundation is Southern Gospel, but when the family begins to minister you will hear several styles of songs that will satisfy all ages. Their talents are from song writing to the playing of numerous instruments including drums, harmonicas, mandolin, guitars and the list continues. The girls ages 9 & 10 also perform and have strong talent already. They and the congregation pray you will make plans to attend and be blessed as they share of God's goodness and grace.

Gym open for Lady Rebels

The Rivercrest High School gym will be open every Thursday from 8:00 to 10:00 p.m. for the Rivercrest Lady Rebel basketball players.

All players are urged to put in some practice time during summer vacation.

In the year 2001 Help Us to Help You
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Call Nancy at 632-5322 or 379-4445 or Nanalee at 652-405

Burn Ban in effect

The Bogata City Fire Marshall, Wayne Martin, announced Monday, July 23, 2001 that a Burn Ban has been put into effect within the city limits.

Dry conditions and high winds prompted the ban which will stay in effect until the fire danger declines.

No outdoor burning should be done until the ban is lifted. Violators will be prosecuted. Please help protect yourself and your neighbors by not burning during this time.

RHS Class of '81 to reunite Aug. 11

The Rivercrest High School Class of 1981 will be having their 20th class reunion on August 11, 2001 at the Bogata Community Center and Thomas Park.

The class needs addresses for all classmates who are out of town. If you know an address for any out of town member please call Juana Valenzuela at 903-632-4464 or Kathy Hawkins at 903-632-4233.

Country Cooking By Liz Irwin

This week's featured cook is Ruth Harmening of the Addielou Community.

Addielou is located out near Woodland and outside of the Detroit area. There is not much to the community... just a feed store and two churches, but folk in this area are proud of their heritage. Just ask Mrs. Harmening. She still lives in the house that was her parents and it stand as a test of the character of the families that have lived in it.

Mrs. Harmening is a retired school teacher. Retiring after teaching in Addielou, Dimple and completing her 35 years in the Clarksville School District. She attended Commerce where she received her teaching degree and later her masters. She was married to the late O.P. Harmening and they had one son, Boyd. He married Teresa Baughn and they have a daughter Kiley and son Tanner. She dotes on her grandchildren and enjoys their visits and attending their activities. They are a devout Christian family and are involved in the Leesville Baptist Church.

She enjoys sewing, reading, quilting and until the last few years, because of health problems, gardening. The quilt in the picture is one that she made from handkerchiefs that her

students have given her as gifts through the years. She decided to make a quilt out of it and it is her pride and joy. The spread on the bed is one that her mother crocheted in an intricate pattern and had to take her many hours.

We hope you enjoy Mrs. Harmening's recipes and we will see you in the kitchen!

Buttermilk Pound Cake-this recipe came from her grandmother Moore and it has been passed down to many family and friends. She says that the secret is not to overcook it!

Yeast Rolls or Bread-this one came from her housemother when she was a student at Commerce. She lets the yeast and water ferment a little longer for a sourdough taste!

Pumpkin Pie-this recipe has three stages to it and a no-roll crust!

Squash Casserole-add sour cream, grated carrots and cream of chicken soup and you have a wonderful dish!

Chicken Cacciatore-this can be used with spaghetti or rice either... whatever your preference is!

Baked Spaghetti-cook spaghetti, add remaining ingredients and you have a meal that everyone will enjoy!



COOK OF THE WEEK-Ruth Harmening of the Addielou Community, outside of Detroit, is our featured cook this week. She is pictured with one of the many quilts that she has made. This particular one is made up of handkerchiefs that she collected as gifts throughout her 35 years of teaching. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

Obituaries

Mildred Faye Eudy dies July 21

Mrs. Mildred Faye Eudy, age 72 of Bogata died Saturday, July 21 in Red River Health Care Center in Bogata. Services were held at 10:00 a.m. Monday, July 23 in the Bogata United Methodist Church with Rev. Kenny Dickson and Rev. Bob Bush officiating. Burial was in Bogata Cemetery under the direction of Wood Funeral Home.

Mrs. Eudy was born November 22, 1928 in Norman, OK, the daughter of Wallace Raymond and Mary Smith Stevens. She married Bill Eudy on May 8, 1946 in Clarksville.

She was a long time member of the Bogata United Methodist Church and was active in the choir. She was a member of the Bogata VFW, was Bogata Municipal Judge from 1984 until 1988 when she was appointed Mayor where she served for the next 120 years.

She is survived by her husband, Bill Eudy of Bogata; one son, Danny Eudy and his wife Diane of Sulphur Bluff; one daughter, Shelia Howison and her husband John of Dallas; three grandchildren, Adam and Aaron Neal Eudy and John David Hudgeons; three great-grandchildren, Aaron Sean Eudy, Joshua Ryan Eudy and Christopher Aaron Eudy; one brother, John Edward Stevens and his wife, Marietta of Selins Grove, Pennsylvania; two sisters, Nancy Moore and her husband Wayne of Norman, OK and Thresa Sisson and her husband Larry of Ft. Worth. She was preceded in death by a grandson, Tony Hudgeons and three brothers, Donald Wayne, Bobby Lee and Tony Van Stevens, her parents and her stepmother, Ida Stevens.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be made to the Bogata United Methodist Church of the Bogata Cemetery Association.

Active pallbearers were Jimmy, Billy Don, Gerald and Ricky Eudy, Joe Hervey and Kenneth Stevens. Honorary bearers were Mary Eudy, Sammy Hervey, Jr., Rufus Merritt and Kevin Moore.

Mrs. Nannie Lou McAlister dies July 17

Mrs. Nannie Lou Guest McAlister, age 91 of Paris died Tuesday, July 17 in Christus St. Joseph's Hospital.

She was born October 11, 1909 in San Angelo, the daughter of William Harvey and Francis Savannah Bettis Guest. Mrs. McAlister worked in sales at Sanger-Harris Department Store in Dallas, Joske's Department Store in San Antonio and Margo Dress Shop in New Orleans. She retired from LTV in Grand Prairie. After retiring they moved to Paris from Arlington in 1978. She attended schools at Detroit and was a member of Central Presbyterian Church. She married Leon McAlister on June 28, 1934 in Detroit. He preceded her in death November 28, 1995.

Surviving are a sister, Martha Jayne Guest Anderson; two nieces, Martha Jo Guest Bearden and husband Larry and Kenda Taylor and husband David; a nephew, Clifton Forest Guest II and wife Judy; two great-nieces, Lynette Hancock and Kristi Floyd Burnham and husband Jeff; five great-nephews, Tom Hancock and wife April, Scott Floyd and wife Dashielle, Justin Garner Guest, Jason Lee Guest, Kristopher Wayne Anderson; six great-great-nieces, Kaitlynn Leann Burnham, Chelsea Lynne Hancock, Grace Hancock, Hannah Ruth Hancock, Sydney Danielle Floyd, Makaylee Paige Anderson; three great-great-nephews, Ryder Scott Floyd, Daniel Bryce Hancock and Ian Thomas Hancock.

She was preceded in death by a nephew, Keven Wayne Anderson on October 17, 1987; her father, William Harvey Guest on October 12, 1958; her mother, Francis Savannah Bettis Guest on December 28, 1961; four brothers, Vernon Wayne Guest in 1942, Luther Martin Guest on 1959, Clifton Forest Guest in 1962 and Rufus Harvey Guest in 1975.

Services were held at 3:00 p.m. Thursday, July 19 in the chapel of Fry-Gibbs Funeral Home. Burial followed in Bethel Cemetery in Fulbright.

Serving as pallbearers were Derek Nietzel, Jeff Burnham, Scott Floyd, Larry Bearden, David R. Taylor, Clifton Forest Guest II, Phil Bettis and in memory of her nephew Keven Wayne Anderson. Honorary bearers were Tom Foster, Robert Newberry, Raymond Spears, James Latimer, Everett Guest, Charles Russell Guest, Jim Adams, Brown Guest Post #30 American Legion and Deport American Legion.

Memorials may be made to the Brown-Guest American Legion Post #30, Deport American Legion Post or Beveard Parents Support Group.

Attend The Church of Your Choice

Thursday, July 26, 2001

Buttermilk Pound Cake

3 cups sugar
3 cups flour
1 cup Crisco (butter flavor)
6 eggs
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 teaspoon lemon flavoring
1 teaspoon butter flavoring
1/2 teaspoon baking soda

Place sugar, Crisco, flavorings and soda in mixing bowl. Add 1/3 of the eggs, milk and flour at a time and mix well after each addition. After adding the last third, beat two minutes. Pour into heavy bundt pan, that has been greased and floured. Bake 50-55 minutes at 350 degrees. Do not over bake. As soon as toothpick is used to test there is no dough left on the toothpick. Turn upside down on a cake plate in about 10 minutes after removing from oven.

Yeast Rolls or Bread

1 package yeast
3 tablespoons sugar
1 teaspoon salt
1-1/2 cup warm water
2 tablespoons Crisco
3-1/2 to 4 cups flour

Dissolve yeast, sugar and salt in mixing bowl with water. Let it stand about 20-25 minutes in bowl before mixing. This gives it a sourdough flavor. Mix Crisco in flour enough to make sticky dough a little more for loaves. Cover in warm place to rise; covered with dish towel. Let dough double in bulk. Work down and make 15 rolls and place in greased pan; let rise 1-1/2 to 2 hours. Place in oven when you light the oven and bake about 15-18 minutes. Butter tops and cover with cloth to let cool. If you want to bake loaves, this will make two and will need to bake 20-25 minutes at 350 degrees.

Squash Casserole

2 pounds yellow squash
2 medium onions-chopped
2 grated carrots
1 cup sour cream
1-1/2 cup green pepper-chopped
1 can cream of chicken or cream of mushroom soup
1 stick oleo-melted
1 box chicken flavored Stove Top Stuffing

Slice squash and cook in boiling water 10 minutes; drain well. Add onions, peppers, sour cream and soup and mix well; add melted oleo. Then mix in stuffing mix and packet of seasoning. Cook in oven 45 minutes at 350 degrees.

Pumpkin Pie

1 cup flour
1 stick butter or margarine
2 tablespoons sugar
1/2 cup nuts
8 ounces cream cheese
1 egg

1/2 cup sugar
1 teaspoon vanilla
1-1/4 cups cooked pumpkin
1/2 cup sugar
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1/4 teaspoon ginger
1/4 teaspoon nutmeg
dash salt
1 cup evaporated milk
2 slightly beaten eggs
Cool Whip

Blend flour, butter and sugar until crumbly. Press into pie plate. Press nuts into crust. Blend cream cheese, 1 egg, 1/2 cup sugar and 1 teaspoon vanilla. Pour into pie shell. Combine pumpkin, 1/2 cup sugar spices, milk and egg and pour very carefully over cream cheese mixture. Bake 1 hour at 350 degrees. Cool and serve with Cool Whip.

Chicken Cacciatore

1 large green pepper-chopped
1 large onion-chopped
1 can mushrooms or 1/2 pound fresh sliced mushrooms
1 tablespoon olive oil
4 chicken breasts-bone and skin
1 can 15 ounce tomato sauce
1 can 4 ounce green chilis
1/4 to 1/2 teaspoon dried basil
1/4 to 1/2 teaspoon dried oregano
1/4 teaspoon garlic powder
dash cayenne pepper
cooked spaghetti or rice

Saute pepper, onion and mushroom in olive oil for 4-5 minutes or until crisp-tender. Place the raw chicken on top of vegetables. Pour tomato sauce, chilis and other seasonings over chicken. Cover and simmer for about 20-25 minutes. Serve over either rice or spaghetti. Yield 4-6 servings.

Baked Spaghetti

1 cup chopped onion
1 cup chopped green pepper
1 tablespoon butter or margarine
1 can 28 ounce tomatoes-chopped-sauce liquid
1 can 4 ounce mushrooms-drain
1 can 2-1/4 ounce ripe sliced olives
2 teaspoons dried oregano
1 pound ground meat-browned
12 ounce spaghetti-cook and drain
2 cups shredded cheddar cheese
2 cans condensed cream of mushroom soup plus 1/2 can water
1/2 cup Parmesan grated cheese

Saute onion and pepper in large skillet in butter until crisp-tender. Add tomatoes, olives, meat and oregano. Simmer 10-15 minutes uncovered. Place half of spaghetti in a large greased baking dish. Top with half of vegetable mixture and then half of cheddar cheese. Repeat and pour soup over dish. Sprinkle with 1/2 cup grated Parmesan cheese.



* The 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 of each month at 7:00 p.m. Members are urged to attend.

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

* It took all of the members of the VFW and Ladies Auxiliary to make the 50th Anniversary day a great success. Donnell Ray O'Donnell made a wonderful speech on the Post. Lots of members have been lost and all are missed but each contributed in their own way. The District Commander, Tonya Morris was on hand to congratulate and presented a 50 year plaque to Commander Jackie Rhodes and President Phyllis Duffer. The food was delicious and Crossfire Band provided good dance music in the evening. We are proud of our Post and all the members, past and present, who made the day one to remember.

* Sympathy is extended to the family of Mildred Eudy.

* Happy Birthday Wishes are sent to Nikki O'Donnell.

Clarksville youth football sign up

Thursday, August 2, 2001 is the date set for Clarksville's Youth Football Program. Registration will be held at First Federal Community Bank Community Room located at 203 West Washington St. in Clarksville. Previous players may register beginning at 6:00 p.m. All new players must register at 7:00 p.m.

This year's sign up fee is \$65 and includes a jersey with the child's name on the back. Children in grades 3-4-5 & 6 are eligible to play. All new players must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian and must bring a copy of their birth certificate. Join the fun of Fall participating in the Clarksville Youth Football Program!

Johnny Topping dies July 21

Johnny Topping, age 85 of Bogata died Saturday, July 21 in Red River Health Care Center in Bogata.

Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, July 24 in the First Baptist Church of Bogata with Rev. Bob Posey officiating. Burial followed in Bogata Cemetery under the direction of Wood Funeral Home.

Mr. Topping was born November 12, 1915 in Millerton, OK, the son of Daniel M. and Francis C. Sanford Topping. He married the former Willie Mae Skidmore on March 6, 1939. He and his wife operated a grocery store in Bogata for several years. He was a retired carpenter and was a long time member, Sunday School teacher and a Deacon of the First Baptist Church of Bogata, having been ordained in 1966.

He is survived by his wife, Willie Mae Topping of Bogata; two daughters, Linda Williams of Prattville, Alabama and Kay Selman of Lufkin; two sisters, Carrien Alford and Lucille Pettit, both of Bogata; 10 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; two sons-in-law, Norris Phipps of Tenaha and James Watts of Rockwall. He was preceded in death by two daughters, Wanda Lou Phipps on July 3, 1995 and by Johnnie Mae Watts on October 19, 2000.

Pallbearers were the Deacon Board of the First Baptist Church.

Red River County Roots

This week's query is from Betty Hollowell, 6198 CR4508, Athens, TX 75751. She is researching John Thomas Smothers born January 1858 TN, who married Caroline "Carrie" Hickey born Jan. 1871 AR. Caroline had been previously married to Will L. Hixson and they had one child, Lillie, born 1887 TX. John and Caroline had two children, both born in Red River County, Mabel Smothers born 1896 and John Thomas Smothers born 1899. Mabel married Jim Batchelor and had two children, Lucille Batchelor and Edwina Batchelor Mitchell, 1921-1987. Tom Smothers married Alzada Reed and their son, Tom Ivan was born 1920 in Red River County. Caroline Hickey Smothers had a sister, Betty Hickey, who lived in Red River County and married a Mr. Yoakum.

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

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There are many reasons why people do not attend church (ie, hard feelings, time pressures, wrong priorities, unconcern about spiritual matters, etc.). There is one reason why we encourage you to come to our revival services this week...the glory of God!!! We are not hoping for God's presence...we are planning on Him being there! Not just showing up, but working in great power. Power to heal (emotionally, relationally, physically and spiritually), power to save, power to free from spiritual bondage (drugs, alcohol, sexual addictions, selfish living, and spiritual apathy).

We do not expect His presence in a prideful way, as if it were something we could earn, but we plan for His presence in humility. We recognize the desperate need in our lives and are humbling ourselves to honor Him (without excuses). God always honors a spirit of humility and repentance...He will show up!!!

If you are hungry for more than what you are experiencing in life right now, it be worth the sacrifice of time to check it out...He will change your life...if you humble yourself and honor HIM!
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May God bless each of you.
Elois Sparks

Card of Thanks

We would like to thank everyone who has called, sent cards and visited with us during Randall's recent surgeries. Thanks to Bogata First Responders and Life Net for their prompt and professional help, we are so fortunate to have such caring individuals giving their time to our community. A very special thanks to our pastor, Rev. Kenny Dickson.
Randall & Margie Mayes

Lamar Ave. Church of Christ to Hold Homecoming Sunday in July, 2001

The Lamar Avenue Church of Christ will celebrate their 132nd Anniversary this year, and have chose Sunday, July 29th, 2001 as Homecoming Sunday.

Anyone who has ever attended the church or wishes to is encouraged to be on hand for this special day.

A number of former ministers are being invited to come back and take

part in the service. Worship will be at 9:00 a.m., with Sunday School to follow. Communion will be taken at 11:30 a.m. or noon.

After the service a buffet dinner will be provided free to all who attended at the Love Civic Center.

For further information please call 785-0387.



10 YEAR SERVICE AWARDS-were received by Kay Ross, Gary Schultz and Debbie Hudson at the annual end of year faculty and staff breakfast held at Rivercrest High School Friday. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

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Bogata Locals

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Donald Porterfield underwent surgery in Dallas last Tuesday. He is reported home and doing well.

Mike Corbell was honored on his birthday with a fish and all the trimmings meal and birthday cake at the home of Tommy and Glenda Corbell. Helping him celebrate were the host and hostess, Angie, Lorrie and Ashley Corbell and Chrystine Baker.

Carlton and June Stanely and Cowboy Denny recently attended funeral services for Anita Crumpler Stanley in West Lake, LA.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Mildred Eudy.

July 14 weekend Carlton and June Stanley traveled to Daingerfield State Park and joined family and friends for their annual reunion. This was the 6th year for the family to meet in the park and they celebrated Lunell and

Curtis Williams 65th wedding anniversary while there. Approximately 50 attended including all of the Williams' children, grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Visiting with Chrystine Baker on Sunday were Billie Welch of Blossom, Tommy Corbell and Doyle and Nina Smith of Denton.

Colton, Garrett and Dylan Simmons are visiting this week with their grandparents, Ray and Linda Tabb, great grandmother, Delene Tabb and other family and friends. The boys are the sons of Susan and Ronald Simmons of Hale Center.

Visiting Chrystine Baker Monday were Delbert and Shirley Henry of Bedford, Doyle and Nina Smith of Denton and Tommy and Glenda Corbell. They all attended funeral services for Mildred Eudy.

Revival schedule announced

The schedule for the Bethel, Cunningham, Faith, Fulbright, Pattonville combined revival is as follows:

Sunday, July 29, 6 p.m. at Faith with Mark Ritchey preaching.
Monday, July 30 at 7 p.m. at Pattonville with L.C. Stout preaching.
Tuesday, July 31 at 7 p.m. at Bethel with Roger Scaff preaching.
Wednesday, August 1 at 7 p.m. at Cunningham with Carter Lyles preaching
Thursday, August 2 at 7 p.m. at Fulbright with Richard Tatum preaching.

The music will be led nightly by the host church. There will be a joint choir with choir practice each night 30 minutes before service time.

Snacks will be provided by the host church each night for fellowship after the service.

Everyone is cordially invited to attend these special services.

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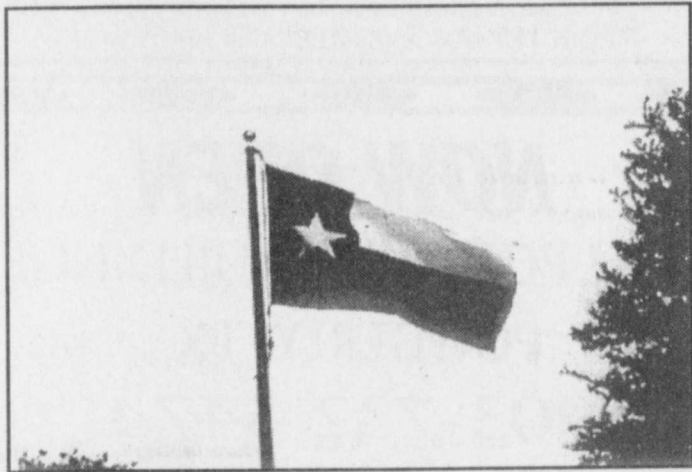


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Karen Jones, Marta Rhoades and Robert Caul and Jesi Navia attended the play, "Of Mice and Men" in Paris Sunday afternoon. They enjoyed seeing Tim Wood perform.

Happy July Birthday to: Evie Waldrum and Brady Kennedy.

Eddie and Nancy Brown and Kim and Quinton Anderson enjoyed supper with Jack, Jennifer and Jaden Brown in Paris Wednesday evening.

Cassandra Norman was honored with a birthday supper at Western Sizzlin Restaurant in Mt. Pleasant Wednesday evening by her parents, Tina and Harold Jackson and brothers, Troy, Derek and L.B.

Jack, Jennifer and Jaden Brown visited Eldon and Lee Antone, Princess, Javier and Travis Saturday night.

They also visited Nancy Brown, Kim and Quinton Anderson.

Carol Laing has returned home from Galveston where her granddaughter, Hanna Abshier, underwent surgery at the Shriners Hospital. Hanna is reported doing well.

Celebrating July 4th at the home of Keith and Susan Thompson, Leslie, Misti and Kelsi were Pauline Thompson, Helen Reynolds, Laura and Clay Miller, Austin and Courtney, Cullen Applewhite, Nancy Harvey, Nannette Simpson, Deek

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Tammie Case underwent surgery at Presbyterian Hospital in Dallas Tuesday.

Bonnie Smith host 84 Club July 19

Bonnie Smith was hostess for the monthly meeting of the 84 Club at the Recreation Center of the 271 Apartments Thursday afternoon.

Two tables were arranged for the games and a delicious salad plate was served. Attending were Bertha McCall, Maurine Man kins, Ethel Epps, Maggie Lee, Helen Williams, Jimmie King, Wootie Harville, Willie Clark and the hostess.



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Fast forward a few years to the bond vote of 1989 that was rejected by the taxpayers overwhelmingly. The Board at that time said they had to have the extra funding, the college could not survive! What would they do? They are still doing a wonderful job of educating our young men and women.

We have a Board and president that again say that they really didn't mean it when they told us the tax would never go over 10 cents, but NOW they are proposing to tell us the truth. I believe one of the board members even stated that "if you don't ask for it, you're not going to get it." What about the deal you made with us in the beginning?

August 11 is nearly upon us. We as taxpayers, have a decision to make about our college. No doubt, we have one of the finest community colleges equipped with the finest staff in the state. Why can't we keep it that way without spending \$17.5 MILLION MORE in taxpayer's money?

Tell them thanks, but NO thanks.
 Sincerely,
 Edward Florey
 Mt. Pleasant, TX

Important Dates for Rivercrest Junior High students

With the upcoming school year approaching Rivercrest Principal/Coach Keith Brown would like to inform this year's incoming junior high students of some important dates.

Students planning on participating in athletics must have a physical and drug test on file before they can participate.

Free physicals will be given at Rivercrest on July 20 from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at the school's offices.

Drug testing will be done on Friday, August 3 beginning at 10:00 a.m. The boys will be tested in the Rivercrest field house. The girls will be tested at the RHS offices.

Students entering the 7th grade must have a current physical. 8th grade students need a current physical if they have seen a doctor for any injury or have been hospitalized due to illness.

Junior High Football will begin the first day of school with practice being held at Rivercrest Junior High in Talco. Practices are scheduled to end at 4:00 p.m. Coach Kar Whitehurst will be this year's Head Junior High Football Coach and he will inform students of any practice time changes or game time changes 24 hours in advance.



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William Bays family reunion held July 21 in Cunningham

The William Bays Reunion was held July 21 at the Cunningham Community Center.

Following the invocation given by Alvis Nichols a catered meal was enjoyed by the fifty-six people attending. Jan Nichols, acting president call the business meeting to order, recognizing and presenting certificates to the following: Robbie Casteel oldest person present; Ragan Truex, youngest person present; Jean Lewis and Gary and Liz Daughtery family from Highland Ranch, Colorado, having traveled the greatest distance.

Bob Winters offered a prayer remembering Inez Weaver, Roy Curry, Buck Spann and Emory Wheeler, who had passed away since the last family reunion in 1999.

The seventh biannual auction was enjoyed and participated in by most families present. James Norwood served as auctioneer and was assisted by Bob Winters as items made and brought by family members were offered for bidding.

Those registered for the reunion were: Pat and Jerry Gray, J.C. and Robbie Casteel of Royce City; Meneva Wheeler of Waskom; Morris and Zelma Allen, Lynn, Kandice, David, Brandy and Shelby Elder of Crandall; Carl and Lillie Ray of Floresville; Chuck, Stacy, Shawna and Brittany Skeen of Powderly; Ragan Truex and Glenn Kennedy of Plano; Alvis and Jan Nichols of Trophy Club; Geral and Joy Kennedy of Sulphur Springs; Deveral and Elaine Kennedy of Sherman, Claris Jordan, Titus and Mary Morrison of Mesquite; James and Pat Norwood of Cunningham; James and Katy Winters of Paris; Bob and Betty Winters of Pattonville; Alonzalee Curry of Dallas; Warren and Betsy Skeen of Sumner; Elbert and Malrie Lee of Longview; William and Barbara Laws and J.W. and Maxine Laws of Hallsville; Deniese Laws Scott of Broken Bow, OK.; Jean Lewis of Littleton, CO. and Gary, Liz, Jessica, Nellie, Kris and Aron Daughtery of Highland Ranch, CO.

Rufus Merritt Appreciation Day

A covered dish lunch will be served at noon and there will be a gospel singing at 1:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend.

A special appreciation day has been scheduled in honor of Rufus Merritt at the Jowntown Missionary Baptist Church on Sunday, July 29 at 11:00 a.m.

Cutest Cowboy and Cowgirl contest set

The First Annual Cutest Cowboy and Cutest Cowgirl contest is set for Saturday, July 28 at the Paris Rodeo and Horse Club. Registration is at 1:00 p.m. with the contest at 2:00 p.m.

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Robertson-Shrewsberry exchange wedding vows

Johnna Chay Robertson and David Wayne Shrewsberry, both of Collinsville, Virginia were married June 22, 2001 in a garden ceremony at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Grady Stone, Bassett, VA. James Oldfield, preacher for the Martinsville Church of Christ, heard the couple's vows before an arrangement of antique step ladders laden with cascading baskets and bouquets of purple, blue and white flowers interspersed with magnolia votives in glass holders. Baskets of fern and flowers banked the base of the ladders.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Robertson, Collinsville, VA. Her grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. George Gordon of Bogata, Jacky Robertson of Powderly and Mrs. Carolyn Chande of Florien, LA. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Shrewsberry of Collinsville, VA and the grandson of Mrs. Bertha Greer of Martinsville, VA.

Escorted by her father and given in marriage by her parents, the bride wore an ivory princess silk empire waist gown with an embroidered bodiced embellished with lace and seed pearls. Her fingertip veil of illusion fell in the back from a bun wrap of miniature orange blossoms, pearl clusters and iridescent flowers especially designed for the bride by her aunt, Beth McIntosh and dear friend, Scharls Ballard of Bogata. She carried a nosegay of candlelight carnations, static and caspia.

The maid of honor was Jennifer Hays of Bogata. She wore a teal-length column gown of azure blue crepe accentuated with scattered embroidery and featuring an embroidered border hemline. She carried a clutch bouquet of purple iris and caspia.

Bridesmaids were Cara Morgan of Bogata, Turonne Hunt of Martinsville, VA, Jennifer Shrewsberry of Burlington, NC, sister of the groom, and Penny Nichols, Collinsville, VA. They wore dresses identical to the maid of honor and each carried a bouquet of iris and caspia.

Flower girls were Jayla Oldfield, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Oldfield, Martinsville, VA and Jordyn Patrick, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Patrick of Bassett, VA. They wore lavender, sleeveless shifts featuring embroidered flowers at the neckline and scalloped hemlines. Their hairpieces were barettes designed of flowers from the bride's headpiece and they carried natural wicker baskets decorated with ivory tulle and purple yarrow.

The best man was Lee Shrewsberry, brother of the groom of Collinsville, VA.

Groomsmen were Philip Rorrer of Martinsville, VA, Chad Turner of Collinsville, VA, Tony Hurd of Bassett, VA and Micah Robertson, brother of the bride, Collinsville, VA.

The groom was attired in a black tuxedo with a gray brocade vest and bow tie and an ivory shirt. His attendants wore black tuxedos, black vests and ivory shirts.

Caleb Robertson, brother of the bride, was ring bearer. He wore a black tuxedo identical to the groomsmen and carried a pillow created by the mother of the bride.

Kristy and Patrick Farr, aunt and uncle of the bride of Bonham sang during the ceremony. Grandparents were seated to "This, Our Wedding Day." Patrick Farr sang "Sunrise; Sunset" while the mothers were being seated. Patrick and Kristy sang "The Rose" as the bridesmaids entered, escorted by groomsmen. The bride entered, through a natural archway of English ivy and wisteria, as Canon in D was played. After the exchanging of vows, the Farr's sang "There is Love" and they sang "Take My Hand" as the recessional.

A recorded program of music was provided by Sgt. Lenny Noel of Martinsville, Va.

Immediately following the ceremony, a reception was held on the lawn of the Stone's residence.

The bride's table was covered with ivory lace and draped with garland of purple hydrangea. It held the bride's tiered wedding cake which was decorated between the tiers with

fresh purple, blue and white flowers and blue and ivory ribbons. The cake was topped with a nosegay of the same flowers. Punch, mints and mixed nuts completed the setting. A bridal bouquet fashioned from ivory silk flowers and tulle formed the centerpiece. Serving at the bride's table were Johnna Oldfield, Donna Patrick and Roxia Mabe.

The groom's table was covered with a purple and white checked cloth and was decorated with a watering can of ivy. German chocolate cake, beef jerky and iced tea were served from the groom's table by Shannon Nichols.

The cakes were created by Ruby Bagwell of Clarksville, TX and the mints were made by Scharls Ballard of Bogata, both life-long friends of the bride.

Following a short trip, the couple will reside in Martinsville, VA.

The bride is a graduate of Fieldale-Collinsville High School and attends Patrick Henry Community College. She is store manager for Highland Paging Inc. in Martinsville, VA.

The groom is also a graduate of Fieldale-Collinsville High School, attends Patrick Henry Community College and is employed by Food Lion.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Shrewsberry hosted a rehearsal dinner on Thursday evening at the Stone residence. The couple presented gifts to their attendants.

The couple was honored with a household shower hosted by Shirley Clifton, Jeanette Mabe, Roxia Mabe, Johnna Oldfield and Donna Patrick.

An "Across the Miles" shower was given by the ladies of the Clarksville Church of Christ in Clarksville, TX.

Kristy Farr and Beth McIntosh, aunts of the bride, honored the bride with a rice bag and lingerie party following the rehearsal dinner.

In Virginia for the wedding were, George and Jo Gordon, Jennifer Hays and Cara Morgan of Bogata, Ruby Bagwell of Clarksville, Patrick and Kristy Farr of Bonham and Beth McIntosh of Mesquite.

Miser to head Hunt County office

What is a committee? a group of the unwilling, picked from the unfit to do the unnecessary. —Richard Harkness

Dallas Engineer Craig Miser has been selected as the Area Engineer for the Paris District-Hunt County Area office.

He received a bachelor's degree in Civil Engineering from Texas Tech and worked in the private sector as an inspector overseeing the construction of commercial buildings and preparing structural design drawings for various structures. In 1986 Miser joined the Dallas District Bridge Section as a designer. Later, he moved to the Dallas District Advanced

Project Development Section as a designer and section leader. In 1992 he transferred to the Dallas District Southwest Area office where he held several positions including designer, construction manager and design manager. In July 1999, Miser was promoted to Southwest Assistant Area Engineer. During his tenure, he has worked on various high exposure type projects including the Trinity Parkway Feasibility Project, IH 30 reconstruction and the SH 190/Toll Road Interchange.

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Pee Wees to sign up

The Rivercrest Pee Wee Football Association will have sign ups on Sunday, July 29 and a second and final sign up day Sunday, August 5.

All students, third grade through sixth grade, wishing to participate, needs to report to the Rivercrest High School cafeteria between 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. on these days to sign up. There is a \$60.00 sign up fee.

The players and parents need to attend sign ups so the player may be fitted for new equipment. The sign up fees will be used to purchase insurance, trophies and equipment.

There will be a third and fourth grade team and a fifth and sixth grade team. Larger players will be restricted, by league rule, to the position they can play in order to minimize injury.

Home games will be played on Saturday mornings at The Swamp at Rivercrest. Players are encouraged to attend the first sign up if possible. A cheerleader sign up will be held at a later date. For more information, please contact Brent Bryson at 632-5341 or 632-0264, Randy Kennedy at 632-4954, Jimmy Via at 379-2771 or Bradley Moore at 379-4526.

American Viewpoints



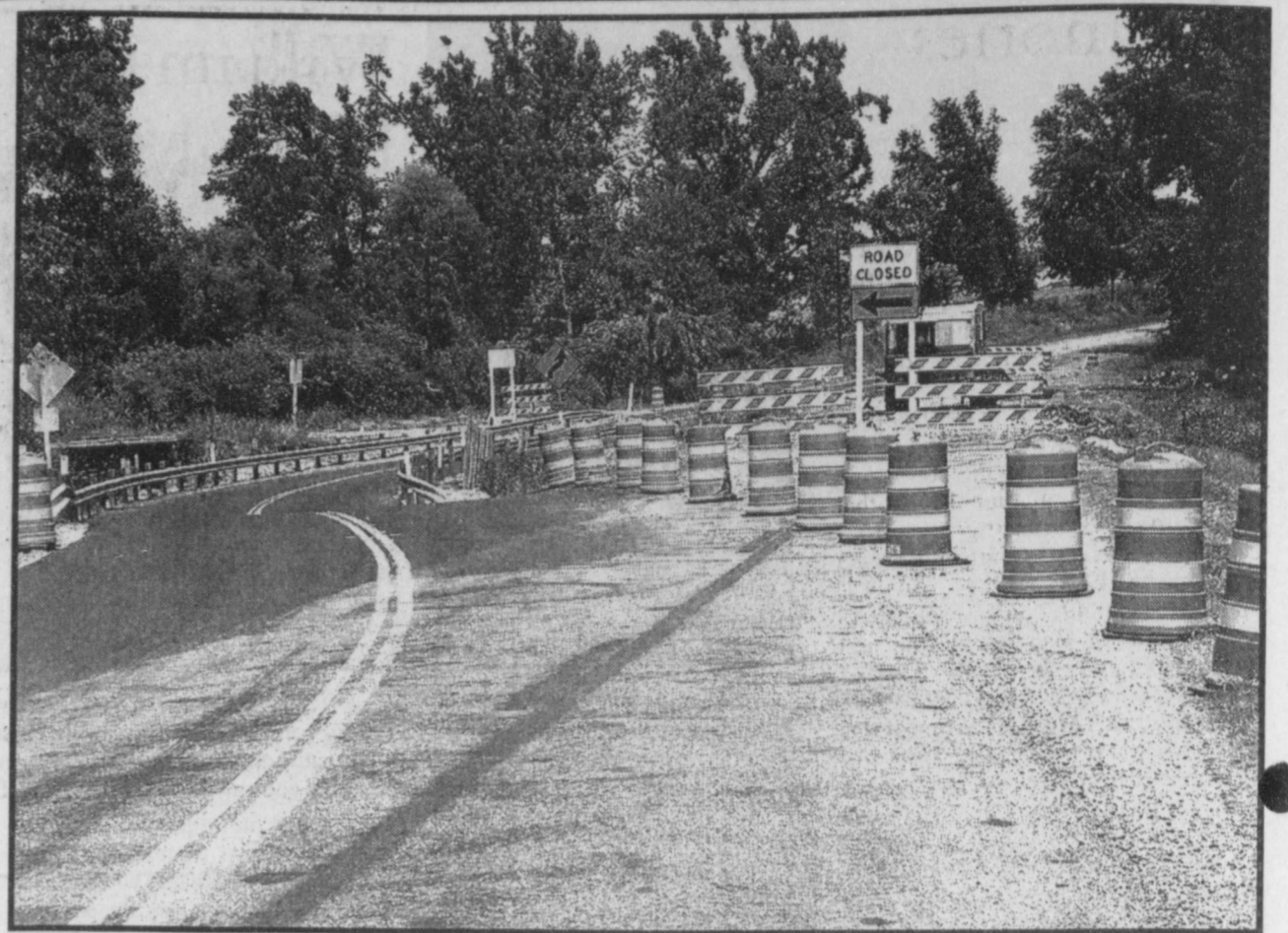
A truly American sentiment recognizes the dignity of labor and the fact that honor lies in honest toil.

Grover Cleveland

Editor's Quotes

Goodness is the only investment that never fails.

Thoreau



UNDER CONSTRUCTION-The old narrow bridge located just out of Bogata toward Rosalie on FM909 is being replaced. Travelers in the area are happy to see the improvement since the spot has been the scene of several accidents over the years. All drivers are advised to slow down, take care and be patient, the new bridge will soon be open. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Different Interpretations?

Is each person entitled to their own interpretation of the Bible even though their interpretations are different? Many religious people believe they can, but, is this true? Does god allow all men to differ on the Bible?

First, where in the Bible are we taught that God allows different interpretations? Find the passage(s) that teach, "men can believe the Bible different and please God", if you can. Prepare for a long and fruitless search.

Second, if everyone can have different interpretations, then what is the purpose of having a Bible? You might as well discard the Bible and make up your own religious rules. David Keresh made his, the Pope makes his, every television evangelist makes up his and so does every religious conference, council and convention. If they want women to preach publicly, they just make up an interpretation which explains away I Timothy 2:11-12. However, this approach will not please God and those who do it will be lost (Matthew 15:8-9; Galations 1:6-9; Revelation 22:18-19).

Third, notice the emphatic statement of I Corinthians 1:10. If every Christian must "speak the same thing", then interpretations may not differ. If Christians must be "perfectly joined together," then division over different interpretations is not allowed. This passage requires believers to have the same mind and the same judgment. This verse will not allow different thinking and conflicting viewpoints on doctrinal matters. God's word is clearly refuting the idea that different interpretations can be held.

Fourth, Peter, Paul, James and John did not go around teaching different interpretations of God's word. Thus, neither should any man living today. When there are differences between two views of the Bible, either, one them is wrong, or both are wrong. But, both cannot be right. Of course God is ultimately right. Every man must endeavor to bring his thinking in line with God's. All of us will be held personally accountable (2 Corinthians 5:10).

This article is brought to you from the Talco Church of Christ. Please join us for services. The church meets Sunday mornings: Bible class-9:45 a.m., 10:45 a.m. and 6 p.m. and Wednesdays-7 p.m.

Pattonville Car Show set for September 22nd

The fourth annual Pattonville Volunteer Fire Department Car Show is set for Saturday, September 22nd, rain or shine.

The event will be from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. with Pre Registration (before Sept. 15th) at 410 and day of show \$12.

There will be a 50/50 drawing and

door prizes. Broadway Junction band will perform.

All makes and models of cars are welcome with award of 1st, 2nd and 3rd place being given for Stock Cars (Pre 1950), Stock Cars (1950 to current), Rod & Custom Cars, Stock Trucks (Pre 1950), Stock Trucks (1950 to current), Rod & Custom

Trucks, Unusual Class, Under Construction (Pre 1950) Under Construction (1950-current) Big Trucks, and Peoples Choice and Best of Show.

Mall proceeds benefit Pattonville VFD. There will be BBQ Sandwiches with chips and dessert for \$4.50.

Free dash plaques go to the first 50 PreRegistrators. Entrants do the judging with spectators doing People Choice award.

For further information call Ed or Sandy Ring at 903 652-9048 or 903 652-3668.

Warnings empower people to resist persuasion, prof says

COLLEGE STATION - Outrageous late night infomercials, superstar-endorsed tennis shoes, cleverly crafted political speeches - just some of the snagging vines in an ever-growing jungle of influence constantly vying for people's money, votes and support. Though the jungle may be dense, research by one Texas A&M University psychologist is showing people how to clear a path through it and think for themselves.

Psychologist Wendy Wood says people have the best chance to resist influence and maintain their own opinions when they receive a warning beforehand.

Wood, who studies the interaction of thoughts and behavior, says warnings are a valuable tool because they stimulate a person to critically evaluate - not automatically resist - the upcoming attempt to influence them more so than a person who hasn't received a warning.

"As a society, we want people to be able to resist unwanted attempts to influence their opinions from advertisers and the media, but we don't want them to be closed-minded and reject all information because openness and willingness to learn are important for education," says Wood, who has conducted her research with help from graduate student Jeffery M. Quinn.

Resistance to persuasion, she notes, has received considerably less attention than persuasion techniques, themselves. However, Wood believes resistance techniques shouldn't be overlooked, considering that a variety of resistance strategies exist in everyday settings.

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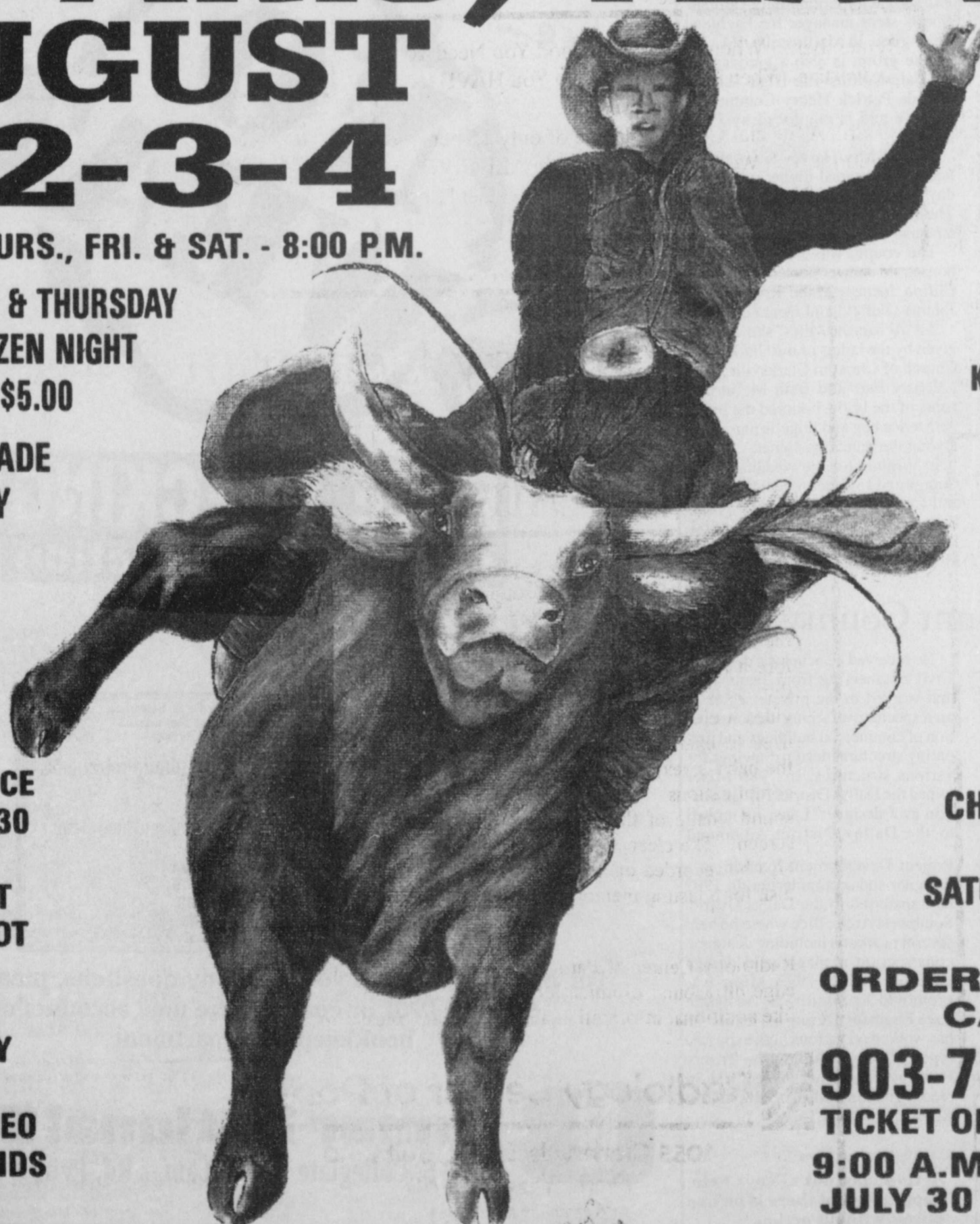
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Memories race

Mike Boulware...

I guess I have always been fascinated by the internal combustion engine. It all started with an Avery tractor around 1954. I was 11 years old at the time and I ran a wire up to the governor and I had my first "hot rod", a pretty fast tractor.

My first car was a 1949 Ford. I don't remember ever making it past Kanawha in it. Seems like something was broken all the time. I think that was my first dealing with J.C. Whitney mail order parts. I was glad to see the '49 go.

After the '49, the rest were all V-8's, Fords or Chevrolets. The first thing to go was the muffler. I had to have a dual exhaust and may be a set of "Smitty's". Most of the time it was just straight pipes. The loud part was accomplish. You could hear it long before you saw it.

Our drag strip was between the two blinking lights in Detroit, late at night of course, then we would return and gear down and let those pipes talk. This was at a time when most people slept with their windows open. Looking back, we probably shook some of them out of bed!

The muscle car era was truly the best of times with fast cars everywhere. Everyone wanted to be the fastest car. At nearly every stop light, you could muster up a race. About this time, we started getting off the streets and racing at the drag strips. Racing at the drag strips became an every weekend affair for about 20

years. My family was always with me, and both my older girls, Betty and Glenda became involved in racing for a while.

In 1985, I won the Super Pro Championship at the Paris Drag Strip and my oldest daughter, Betty, won the Street Championship there, a first in the world of racing. I began to slow down and let Betty drive my roadster the next couple of years.

Finally, in 1988, I "grew up". I sold all my racing equipment, bought a boat and started spending the weekends at the lake.

End of story, right? Not quite.

In 1997, after several conversations with my grandkids, we were off to the race track to look at these new "hot rods" for kids age 8 through 16. They are called Junior Dragsters and they run on a 5hp Briggs & Stratton engine. I'm thinking, yeah, these are cool, we might just do this.

About a week later, we are the proud owners of a Junior Dragster. My two older grandkids, Justin Enox and Ali Coston agree to split the driving time, trading places each week. I had no experience with small engines, so we all had a lot of learning to do. Let me just say that the kids did a lot better driving than I did keeping that little Briggs motor running.

At the beginning of 1998, we purchased another Junior Dragster. Now Ali and Justin each have their own

car and we started winning some races.

By now, I have figured out how to keep the Briggs motor running and Ali and Justin are doing a good job of driving.

We qualified, with the help of a lot of friends, and made it to Indianapolis, Indiana, "Indy" for the National Championships. Ali lost by .002 of a second in her age group while Justin won his age group. This 10 year old from Blossom is the best in the United States! He was the 10 year old National Champion. What a way to start. It took about a week before I could get my cap back on and get that smile off my face.

Back home and more racing....

In 2000, another of my grandsons

had his eighth birthday and guess what, we now have three Junior Dragsters. Clark Garrison now also drives a Junior Dragster. Since then, we have won three track Championships, several Divisional races and a World Championship in I.H.R.A. We have run as fast as 8.20 seconds at 80mph on the 1/8 mile track, not bad for a 5hp Briggs & Stratton engine.

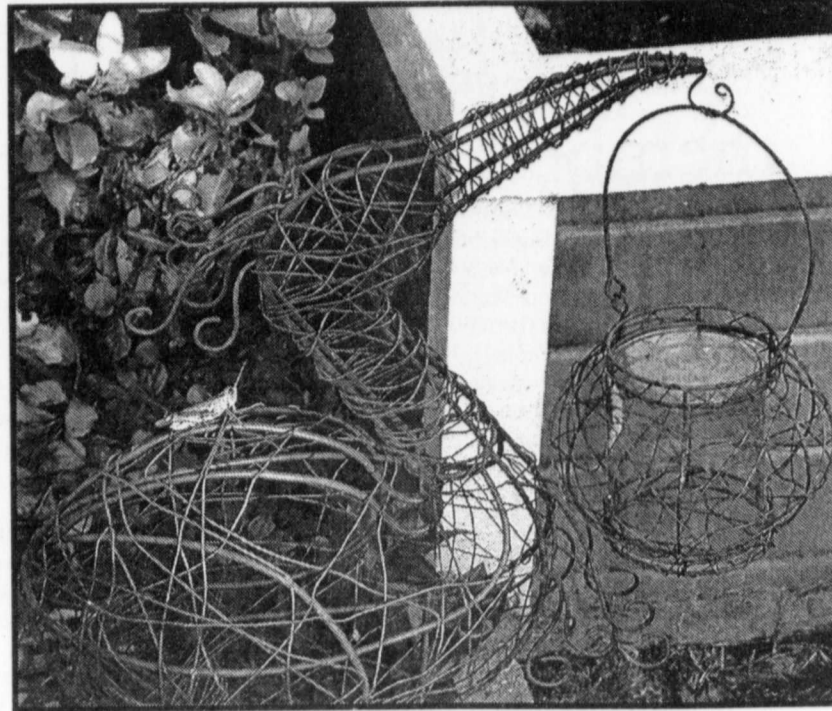
We have made a lot of friends and memories doing this and the kids are well known at every race track we travel to. It just gets better with every generation.

Let's see, Justin is 13 now, three more years, a "hot rod" with dual straight exhausts.

Nah.....surely not!



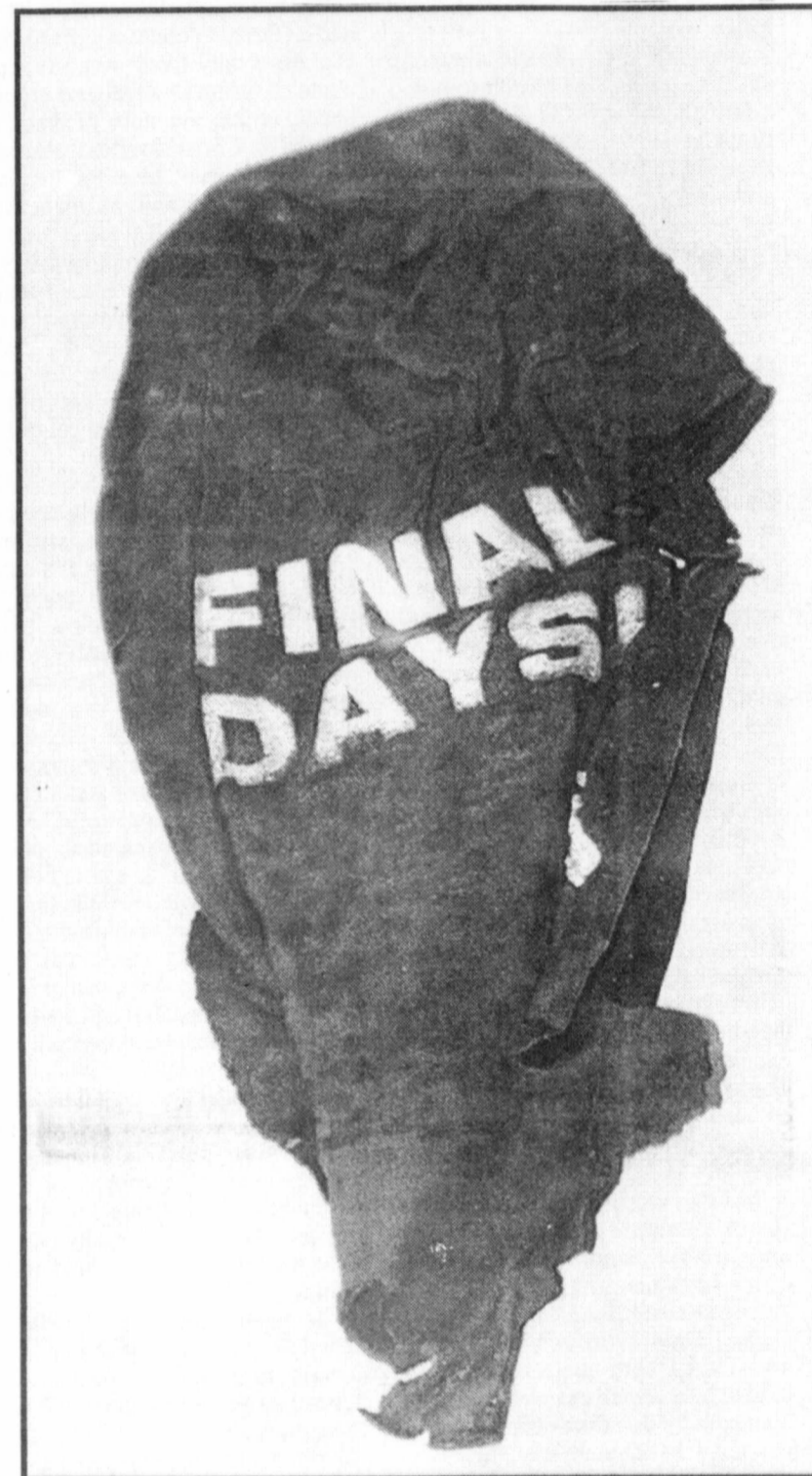
AND IT ALL BEGAN WITH A 1949 FORD! These three "Junior Dragsters" belong to Ali Coston, Justin Enox and Clark Garrison, the grandchildren of Mike Boulware. Justin is the 10-year old National Champion, winning his title in Indianapolis, Indiana. Boulware is extremely proud of his grandkids and their accomplishments in their hot rods. He now looks forward to Justin's first street car, and is already thinking "straights" for pipes!



HITCHING A RIDE-this wire heron yard decoration seems to have a rider, a grasshopper sitting on his back. Grasshoppers have been particularly bad this year, and dry conditions have made them voracious. (Staff Photo by nanalee nichols)



RED RIVER PEE WEE ALL STARS-Coaches and players on the Red River Pee Wee All Star team this year are; (back row from the left) Coaches Jason Benson, John Easley, Bobby Thompson and Kevin Gray; (middle row from the left) Kolton Benson, Sammy Newsome, Jacob Maynard, Jordan White, Kolten Jaynes, Roscoe Schwab and Kyle McCuller and (front row from the left) Tyler Easley, Jordan Thompson, Jesse Ross, Trevor Jessee, Gage Stokes and Kyle Gray. Good Luck Boys!!! (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



DANGEROUS BALLOON-this balloon, ironically lettered with the words "Final Days" was found lodged in the "windpipe" of a cow after it died by an area rancher. It illustrates graphically the dangers that helium balloons can pose after they pop and fall to earth and are ingested by wild or domestic animals. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)

People N' Things

Commodities will be distributed on July 3, 2001 from 3:00 to 4:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Bogata.

Beginning the first of August, 2001, Commodities will be distributed at the First Baptist Church in Bogata every 1st Wednesday of the month starting at 9:00 a.m.

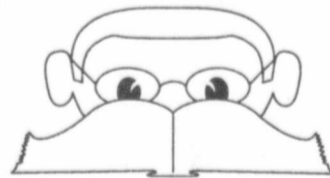
July 19-August 30

All ladies are invited to attend Ladies Bible Study at the Talco Calvary Baptist Church every Thursday through August 30, 2001. The study will begin at 9:20 a.m. each day.

July 29-August 1

Revival services will be held at Calvary Baptist Church in Talco July 29 through Aug. 1. On July 29 services will begin at 6:30 p.m. July 30 through Aug. 1 a noon meal and short devotional will be held daily and services will begin at 7:00 p.m. nightly. All are invited to come and share the noon meal, enjoy the devotional and attend services each evening.

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Calvary Baptist Church members go on mission trip to Latvia

On June 7, 2001, eleven members of the Talco Calvary Baptist Church including Bro. Rex and Cathy Jackson, Mark, Kristen and Mark Jackson, Shane and Leslie Wright, Needham Carswell, Tracie Harrison, Kissryn Munns and Mawfin-Patton, met twelve other members of a mission team bound for Latvia. Flying in a British Airways 777 on a 9 hour flight to London where they met Roy and Martha Edmonds, 2 other team members at Victoria Station. Taking advantage of a 10 hour layover, the group were able to observe the changing of the guard at Buckingham Palace, visit an underground facility where Winston Churchill directed the war operations during World War II, see Big Ben and tour Westminister Abby. Everyone was thoroughly impressed with the architecture. Getting only a taste of what London was like, all vowed to come back for a longer visit.

Back at Victoria Station the group caught a train to the airport to board a British Airways 737 for a 2 hour flight to Riga, Latvia. Arriving at Riga at 11:30 on Friday night, weary and sleepy travelers boarded a bus for the next leg of their journey, a 2 hour ride to their destination of Talsi, Latvia. Arriving at the Talsi Christian School, which was to be the home base, beds were made and everyone crashed.

Early on Saturday, after a wonderful breakfast at the Talsi Christian School the group attended church services at the Talsi Baptist Church. This was a very special service commemorating the first graduating class from the school. After church services, the actual graduation exercises were held at the school. Eight students were in the graduating class. As each student received their certificate, friends and family presented them with flowers until each one had their arms full.

Sunday morning the group attended church again and immediately after the service was over they went to Usma to a small house for a country service. The people were so glad to greet them. The service was wonderful and the Jacksons, Bro. Rex, his brothers Ricky and his wife Vickie, Russ his sister Malea and children, Mark and Kristen sang at both services. The people prepared a luncheon for all. And the group visited as well as they could with the language barrier. Tears were shed as they left.

Monday morning, after staying up late on Sunday to pack clothes, crafts and gifts for camp, the group had a quick breakfast and were off. The Evangelist team, Bro. Rex, Needham, Shane, Mark, Malea, Vickie, Russ and Ricky with their interpreters loaded into a small bus and headed to Ventspils to do street evangelism in the City Park each day. Monday through Thursday they would leave from the camp very early to go to Ventspils and return very late each night. During this time they would witness to people in the senior citizens homes and the City Park. They had a basketball tournament in a sports complex and were able to witness as well as working with a "Follow Me Program" which is a government supported day care for under privileged children. This was a very important part of the mission trip.

The rest of the team along with Talsi Baptist youth leaders boarded the larger bus and drove to the orphanage where they were taken on tour of the facilities before they picked up the children for the camp. They also had to go back to the Talsi School to pick up more children from the city and the Ventspils orphanage. On the drive out to the camp the group were surprised to see what to them looked

like a bale of hay on telephone poles. When they finally asked about them, they were told that they were stork nests. Later they saw storks and their young in the nests. The camp had been an old school on the Baltic Sea and had a functioning lighthouse about a block away. The group were able to go to the top of it all 280 steps and take pictures of the sea, the church and the camp.

At first the children seemed frightened of the visitors, but very soon warmed up and were chatting away, even though the missionaries couldn't understand a thing without an interpreter. Before they left some of the missionaries could say a few words, but most of all they wanted love. Each morning the Christina flag was raised and the children were told what each thing stood for on the flag. They all shared meals, Bible stories and made wonderful crafts all which had a Christian connection. One that was especially liked was a bracelet made of fishing swivel and colored beads, telling the story of black for sin, red for Christ blood that cleanses, white for purity, blue for baptism, green for new life and gold for heaven.

The youth from Talsi and the mission team youth played with the children. They had skits and made friends. The three ladies that worked in the kitchen and prepared all the meals were not happy when the first craft was made and they didn't get one so the group made sure they got one of everything made after that.

The lessons learned by the missionaries was, "We don't really need so many things as we have, we only want them". After staying at a camp that had water that had so much sulphur in it that it made you almost ill to smell it, seeing children play with a tricycle with no handle bars and no wheels and seeing a 17 year old girl who never smiled take protective care of her 7 & 8 year old sisters all of which came from a poor and abusive family, children in orphanages that no one came to see or cared about and watching children be excited about getting their own toothbrush and toothpaste, all were thankful for their lives in the United States and their hearts went out to these whose lives are so very different. Best of all was hearing very small children praying in earnest.

After giving the children their goody bags of toys, soaps etc, the group left the camp on Thursday to meet the evangelist team at the Baptist church in Ventspils for church services. At altar call, many people came forward to make a profession of faith.

The orphanage from Ventspils picked their children up and the missionaries took the others back to their orphanage and to the town of Talsi. They once again were at the Talsi Christian School that was run by Inguna and Maris Gruzins. Early Friday morning (they didn't really have a hard time waking up because it didn't get dark until 12:00 midnight and was light again by 4:00 a.m.) the group arose to help build a sidewalk for the school. After that they were able to walk around a little, visit a chocolate factory and have lunch at a pizza store. There was hardly room for the entire group.

Friday night the group had a meeting with the team members and the youth that had helped at the camp. They all talked, exchanged addresses, goody bags were given by the missionaries, ate, laughed and cried together. Later, all but the really old and tired played "capture the flag" until late Saturday morning. The group attended a teacher's appreciation dinner at the school and gifts were presented to each of the teach-

ers and to the missionaries. Some of the group who had hosted people from the school last year when they were in our country touring the Northeast Texas area and trying to raise funds for their school were given presents.

As soon as the dinner was over, towels and swimsuits were grabbed and all headed out to the sauna and the lake in the country. But before they got there they visited a leper colony. It was at one time the largest leper colony in Europe, but now there are less than 10 lepers at the compound. When the Russians took over, they tore down all churches, but the church here was allowed to remain in exchange for the people making cask of the lepers and putting them on display as a museum. The sauna was great and the group had a picnic and enjoyed the beautiful scenery. They hurried back to the school to pack their things to go to Riga where they would go to church the next morning. Rising early, they boarded the bus without breakfast and then the three ladies from the kitchen who they lovingly called "The Kitchen Mafia" boarded the bus with hot food for all to eat on the way.

As soon as they got to Riga, they rented rooms in a hotel across from the airport, then went on to the Baptist church in Riga. Here they attended 2 services, one a traditional service in the morning, the other a service for the younger people. The church was full both times. The music was great from both their choir and the Jackson family. All were amazed to see a 5 year old boy play the drums like a pro. Some of the team gave their testimonies at every service they attended while they were in Latvia. The people were friendly, but the missionaries could not understand and some stood when they should have been kneeling causing laughter from the members.

Immediately after the second service, the group jumped on the buses and went to the Lido cafeteria for lunch and for the first time felt like they knew what it was like not to be able to read. Trying to purchase the meal was a real guessing game plus trying to figure out what it cost in lats. They visited a memorial of the holocaust and as they went through the gates there was a sign that said, "Through these gates the Land mourns". These people were oppressed by the Russians and Germans and have only been a free people for 10 years. The group saw a war memorial and cemetery for soldiers that they likened to our Arlington Cemetery.

Monday was the last day in Riga. The missionaries went to Turida and visited a castle that is being rebuilt and bought a few souvenirs. They wanted shirts and caps with Latvia on them but found caps with Boss, Ford, Disney etc. They went to a public square in Riga and shopped, took pictures and then returned to the hotel. Tuesday morning at 5:15 a.m. they were at the airport getting ready to board the plane. When they arrived back in London, they barely had time to get from one plane to the connecting flight home. Nine hours later they were so happy to touch down at DFW in the good old USA. They are thankful that by God's grace they were allowed to be born in this wonderful country of ours.

Editor's note: After talking with those who went on this trip I too am thankful for what we have in the United States and my prayers will include people over the world. Thank you to Maxine Patton, Bro. Rex and Vickie Jackson, Shane and Leslie Wright and all who attended for sharing this trip with us.



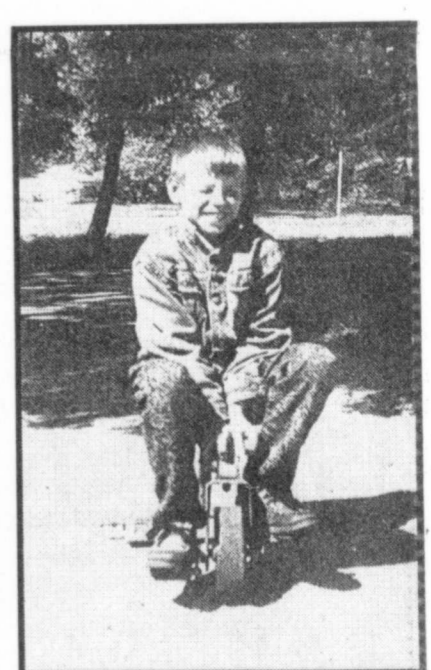
MISSIONARIES-Twenty-three people from our area recently traveled on a mission trip to Talsi, Latvia. Among the group from Talco were Shane and Leslie Wright, Maxine Patton and granddaughter, Tracie Harrison, Kissryn Munns, Bro. Rex, Cathy, Mark, Kristen and Steven Jackson and Needham Carswell. All report the trip a real learning experience and a wonderful way to spread God's word.



MISSIONARIES FROM TALCO and the surrounding area traveled to Talsi, Latvia recently. They are pictured entering the orphanage there. Notice the stork on top of the building. What looks like a huge bundle of hay is its nest.



TWO CHURCH MEMBERS in Asma, Latvia stop for the camera during a mission from the Talco area's visit.



TRICYCLE-this orphan is delighted to have any tricycle to play with, even one without handlebars!

To obtain more juice from oranges, let the fruit soak in cold water before squeezing.



Red River County Sheriff's Report July 15-21

July 15: Report of noise disturbance in Bogata; inmate released for time served; inmate released for time served; report of sexual assault on CR2456.

July 16: Report of suspicious vehicle on Hwy. 82 west; male arrested on warrants for false report to a peace officer and failure to identify to peace officer; inmate released when warrant was dismissed; one arrested for driving while license suspended; report of drug paraphernalia in Deport.

July 17: Report of burglary of building on CR1436; one arrested for failure to appear; female arrested on court order; inmate released on bond; inmate released on bond; one arrested for theft; report of theft in Clarksville.

July 20: Report of activated alarm in Detroit; inmate released for time served; inmate transported to county on charge of innocent exposure; activated alarm at Detroit Elementary school; inmate released on bond; report of family violence on CR4342; one arrested for public intoxication; report of family disturbance on CR4630.

July 21: Report of misc. incident on CR3202; request for assistance in Avery; report of theft in Bagwell; report of terroristic threat south of Bagwell; inmate released after paying fine.

Red River County Jail currently holds 52 inmates.

Sales tax holiday to be August 3-5

Texas comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander has announced the dates of August 3rd, 4th and 5th for the Sales Tax Holiday in Texas this year. On these dates no state or local sales tax will be charged on most clothing and footwear priced under \$100 providing much needed tax relief for hard working Texas families.

This year, the Sales Tax Holiday is expected to save Texans \$31.2 million in state sales tax and 4.8.4 million in local sales taxes. Cities have the option to not waive local sales tax during the tax holiday, but no community has opted out of the event this year.

The rules for the 2001 Sales Tax Holiday are the same as in previous years. They include:

Most children's and adults' clothing and footwear priced under \$100 are exempt from sales taxes. Customers may purchase as many tax exempt items as they wish.

Clothing and footwear used primarily for athletics or protective wear, such as golf cleats or football pads are not tax exempt. However, tennis shoes, baseball caps, jogging suits and other athletic clothes that are commonly worn on the street are eligible for the tax exemption.

Accessories, jewelry, watches, handbags, wallets and briefcases are not tax exempt.

Items previously placed on layaway may be redeemed tax free during the Sales Tax Holiday, and items placed on layaway during the Sales Tax Holiday may be redeemed tax free later.

"Earlier this year, I asked the Legislature to expand the list of tax exempt items to include backpacks, school supplies, sewing supplies and safety gear such as bicycle helmets and car safety seats," Comptroller Rylander said. She also proposed expanding the holiday to five days to avoid the three day traffic jams. However, the Legislature did not make the Sales Tax Holiday a priority, and the proposal died. Next, Comptroller Rylander said, "I will again urge the Legislature to make Texas families and the Sales Tax Holiday expansion a top priority."

For more information about the Sales Tax Holiday and a list of tax exempt and nonexempt items, see the Comptroller's Web site at www.window.state.tx.us or call the tax assistance hotline at 1-800-252-5555.



Queen and Talent Find winners named by Farm Bureau

Jennifer Dawn Lockman was named the 2001 Red River County Farm Bureau Queen and Lindsay Nicole Johnston was named Talent Find winner at the Farm Bureau contest held recently in Clarksville.

Jennifer and Lindsay will compete in the District competition in Sulphur Springs on August 17.

Jennifer is the daughter of Gerry and Lisa Lockman of Avery and the granddaughter of Dorothy Lockman of DeKalb. She plans to attend Paris Junior College where she will get her

basics and then the University of Texas at Austin where she will achieve her bachelor's degree.

Lindsay is the daughter of Ted and Rhonda Garrison of Avery and the granddaughter of David and Mona Thomas of Avery, Hubert and Peggy Johnston of Blossom, Clarence Garrison of Detroit, Patsy Garrison of Garland. She plans to attend the University of Texas at Austin or Tyler Junior College where she will pursue a career as a nurse anesthetist.



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RED RIVER MAJORS-All Star team participated in the District Tournament held in Idabel, Oklahoma last week. The team was defeated by Paris and Idabel. Coaches and team members were; (back from the left) Cleveland Cannon, Nancy Brown and Marc Anschutz; (middle from the left) Daniel Whittle, Tyler Jones, Matt Ward, Justin Norman, Colby Chitsey and Troy Morris and (front from the left) Robert Caul Rhoades, Derek Morris, Alex Savage, Terrance Cannon, Dewayne Sanders and Josh Stevens. Also a team member but not pictured was Drew Godwin.

Anthrax confirmed in deer in two south Texas counties

Two cases of anthrax have been confirmed in deer from Uvalde and Val Verde Counties in Southwest Texas, and livestock health officials are urging producers in the area to consult their private veterinary practitioners about vaccinating livestock against this disease that resurfaces periodically. Many long-time ranchers in the area have experienced sporadic outbreaks and routinely inoculate their livestock against this disease that is weather-dependent and can develop during warm spring and summer months.

"Anthrax is caused by Bacillus anthracis, a spore-forming bacteria. The disease often occurs after we have periods of wet, cool weather followed by a several weeks of hot and dry conditions," explained Dr. Dan Baca, a veterinary epidemiologist with the Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC), the state's livestock health regulatory agency. "When livestock graze in an affected pasture, they can ingest the spores that are on the grass or ground. Historically, most of Texas' cases each year occur in a triangle bounded by Uvalde, Ozona and Eagle Pass."

The triangular area takes in portions of Crockett, Val Verde, Sutton, Edwards, Kinney, Uvalde and Maverick counties. However, if conditions are right, cases could occur anywhere in Texas, stated Dr. Baca. In 1997, cases were confirmed in Edwards, Val Verde, Terrell, Webb, Starr and Uvalde counties. An anthrax case in 1997 also was confirmed in Parker County, in north Texas.

Dr. Baca said ranches with confirmed cases are quarantined until at least 10 days after all livestock are vaccinated, and after proper disposal of all carcasses. "By halting the movement of animals, any livestock exposed or incubating the disease will not spread infection to other ranches," he said. "It's not unusual

for one premise to have livestock losses, while livestock on an adjacent ranch remain healthy."

Anthrax is a reportable disease in Texas. While laboratory tests, conducted by the Texas Veterinary Medical Diagnostic Laboratory in College Station, are needed to confirm infection, Dr. Baca said that suspected cases also are to be reported to the TAHC at 1-800-550-8242. A veterinarian is available to take calls 24 hours a day. If outbreaks occur in dairy animals, Dr. Baca advised producers to call the TAHC immediately for assistance to prevent potential human exposure through milk products.

Signs of the disease in livestock and deer can include sudden death, rapid bloating of the carcass, and blood oozing from body openings. "After talking with several ranchers, we're assuming a number of suspected cases occur each year, but are not reported," he said.

To prevent contaminating the ground with anthrax spores which can remain dormant for years, Dr. Baca said TAHC regulations require that the property or livestock owner thoroughly burn carcasses of animals that may have died from anthrax. The animal's bedding, manure and the surrounding soil also should be burned. This keeps predators or wild pigs, coyotes or dogs from being exposed to the disease. Because anthrax strikes during dry periods, he said carcass disposal can pose its own dangers, so precautions must be taken to keep the fires from 'getting out of hand.' To avoid spreading spores, he said the TAHC recommends that carcasses be burned where they lay.

Dr. Baca also advised producers to wear long sleeves and gloves when handling the carcasses or when working or vaccinating livestock to avoid contaminating any sores or scratches on arms or hands. General sanitat-

ion procedures should be followed after handling livestock, and equipment used on the animals should be disinfected. Pets should be kept away from dead carcasses. Bones of dead animals may also pose a disease threat. Healthy animals should be moved from anthrax-contaminated areas.

"It is possible for ranchers to contract a skin form of anthrax, so if any wounds appear to be infected, see your physician for appropriate antibiotic treatment," he said. "Although movies and popular mythology portray anthrax as an invariably fatal human disease threat, the often fatal pulmonary form of the disease is nearly non-existent in developed countries. Producers may want to talk with their physician or contact the Texas Department of Health if they have human health questions."

"Hunters often ask about anthrax, and by the time hunting season starts cool weather usually puts an end to any cases," said Dr. Baca. "However, my best advice always is to shoot only healthy-looking animals. By the time an animal displays signs of anthrax that can include staggering, trembling or convulsions, death is inevitable."

Dr. Baca said several steps need to be taken when anthrax occurs:

1. Properly dispose of animal carcasses by burning to prevent exposure to other animals, such as predators or dogs. Remove healthy livestock from the area.
2. Vaccinate livestock if cases occur in the surrounding areas. Because the anthrax vaccine is a "live" vaccine, it should not be administered concurrently with antibiotics. Vaccinated animals are to be withheld from slaughter for two months.
3. Restrict movement of livestock from an affected premise until animals can develop immunity through vaccination.

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