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It makes for a small world
People are always saying that they don't know how I come up with something to write about once a week, and I'm always saying it's never a problem. But being limited in walking and driving ability makes the world become pretty small. And I have discovered that the smaller one's world, the less one has to present to readers!

After having the second total knee joint replacement I am faced with the prospect of many extra weeks on crutches because they had to forcibly pluck the ligaments on my knee loose and stitch them back together. All will be well, but they stress that I must continue with "assisted walking" to protect them while they heal.

Well, that gets pretty boring in a hurry, as does not being able to drive. I was given a little book called "Getting Back On Your Feet" which has been invaluable in helping me be self-sufficient, but when I looked under the chapter devoted to driving it said "if your right leg is out of commission your only option is to order a British made auto and hope it comes in quickly". That was obviously a tongue in cheek way of saying I was out of luck. So I've been feeling like a 12 year old again, begging rides wherever I have to go, including therapy, work and anywhere else I want to go.

About the most exciting thing that has happened around the homeplace since I've been stuck here is a female Baltimore Oriole, who came and has fed off my hummingbird feeders! While I would normally have looked the bird up in the bird book and been interested that she had shown up, in my restricted state I have devoted a great deal of time to learning about orioles, discovering that what she really likes to eat is soft orchard fruits, and that orioles adore grape jelly!

Stacked up against the number of grasshoppers my newest stray cat, Teddy, brings to the door, the bird was pretty fascinating.

One thing I did notice though, was that going around on an early morning with Thomas to rob the racks (get the money from the newsstands) has become a new and fresh thing. I see the world through eyes that enjoy the scenery more than they did before I spent several weeks as a virtual shut in. I enjoy the sight of kids riding bikes, old people sitting on their front porches, and squirrels scampering up trees as if they were exotic sights on an overseas vacation! A new roof on the Bogata fire station, a new house being built in Blossom, a remodeling in Deport, a storm damaged sign in Talco all made the trip seem informative and interesting.

So, it's all a matter of perspective, and it is true that absence makes the heart grow fonder. I'm looking forward to being out and about, gathering ideas and little stories to share. In the meantime, hey, have I told you about this bright orange bird that's feeding at my hummingbird feeders?

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SOLAR SYSTEMS-Mrs. Clemmons' Talco 5th grade class studied our solar system this past week and as a class project the group made models of the system. Some very inventive ideas were used in the making of the systems. Shown are (back from the left) Melanie Smith and Kayla Clemmons and (front) Danielle Easterling whose solar system was made of popcorn. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Talco Student Council holds drawing

The Talco Student Council sponsored a drawing for a Homecoming mum and garter in conjunction with the Homecoming activities on Friday, Sept. 17. The Elementary mum and garter were made and donated by Andrea Birchfield. The winners were announced during the lunch hour. Winning the mum was Tessa Graham and Alan Smith was the winner of the garter.

The junior high mum and garter were made and donated by Leslie Wright and Marta Rhoades. The winners in the Junior High were Cindy Livingston and Ronnie Parker.

The Student Council would like to express their appreciation to Andrea, Leslie and Marta for their donations. The students who won them also appreciated their efforts.

Talco students enjoy homecoming

The Talco Student Council and Talco Elementary and Junior High students showed their Rebel spirit the week of Homecoming by participating in special days.

On Monday it was Mixed Match Monday; Ore City was no match for the Rebels.

On Tuesday it was Twin Day; Double up on Ore City.

On Wednesday it was Wind suit Day; Blow away Ore City.

On Thursday it was Rebel Spirit

Day; Show your spirit by wearing the school colors or Rebel shirts.

On Friday it was Formal Friday; Students were dressed to impress and it was the only day mums or garters were worn.

The Student Council will soon be participating in a fund raiser. The Council has voted to have a school project each semester. This semester they hope to raise enough money to purchase a new TV for the Junior High hall.

Council conduct is main topic of meeting

Acting City Secretary Jean Upchurch read a grievance letter to the called meeting of the Bogata City Council on Monday night, September 20 "regarding conduct of Council members Tracie Osborne and W.T. Harbison," provoking heated debate and several disorderly outbursts.

Upchurch asserted that the two Council members had interfered with her work and subjected her to tensions that she "could not and would not" be able to endure. Their frequent requests for information on short order, made without regard for the routine demands of her job, had involved "yelling and carrying on" and "chaos" in the presence of citizens wishing to conduct business with the city.

Both Osborne and Harbison defended the appropriateness of their conduct and criticized Upchurch for having failed to provide information and assistance to which they were entitled.

The Mayor defended Upchurch's position and declared that the city administration simply "cannot function" when its hard-pressed staff is subjected to the pressures of the sort reported. He suggested that all requests for information from the staff be made in writing and answered at meetings of the City Council.

Other members of the Council, a part-time city employee and the Chief of Police joined the discussion, as did several individuals among the public citizens filling the Council chamber. The audience twice cheered remarks supportive of the Acting Secretary, notable when Councilman Randy Kennedy challenged her critics to "get yourself under control or step off the Council."

The debate ended passage by a three-to-two vote of a resolution providing that requests to city staff for information be submitted in writing

and up to ten days allowed for reply.

Routine city business was dealt with in orderly fashion. The Council decided to buy a John Deere tractor, a heavy-duty shredder and a "Grasshopper" mower and to dispose of items of machinery at auction.

The Council agreed to honor charges totaling \$3,428.00 from 3-G Construction for replacement of the roof of the fire station.

In anticipation of a further called meeting to be held on September 27, the Council approved workshops on an employee handbook, employee wages and benefits and job duties. The workshops were scheduled for September 24.

Approval of a new tax rate for FY1999-2000 was deferred, with the issue to be addressed in the September 24 workshop and at the September 27 meeting. The FY1999-2000 waterworks and general fund budgets were adopted as published following the previous week's workshop.

As new business, Councilman Harbison proposed and Councilman Spencer seconded a motion that separate heads be named to the Street and Waterworks Departments. The motion was defeated by a 3-2 vote.

Payment in the amount of \$374.10 to Kathy Stewart for court clerk training and updating municipal court records was approved, as was acceptance of a bid proposal for water storage inspections now being required.

Mayor Garretson agreed with citizens who spoke of the need for Bogatans to be informed of tax auctions involving properties in Bogata, as local awareness of the auctions might increase the auction income to Bogata and other taxing entities. Under current rules, the auctions are only advertised in the Clarksville newspaper, which has relatively few readers in Bogata.

Schools to have reunion

Cuthand, Maple, Mauldin, Mt. Livingston and Turner Lake Schools will hold their reunion on Saturday, October 9 at the Bogata Community Center.

All exes and friends are urged to attend. Chairman Annie Lee Moore is welcoming all to be there for a covered dish luncheon to be served at noon.

All paper plates, cups and eating utensils will be furnished, just bring your appetite and your favorite story to tell, and join in all the fun.

Nominations being taken for G/T program at RC

Rivercrest I.S.D. will be taking parent nominations for the Gifted and Talented Program.

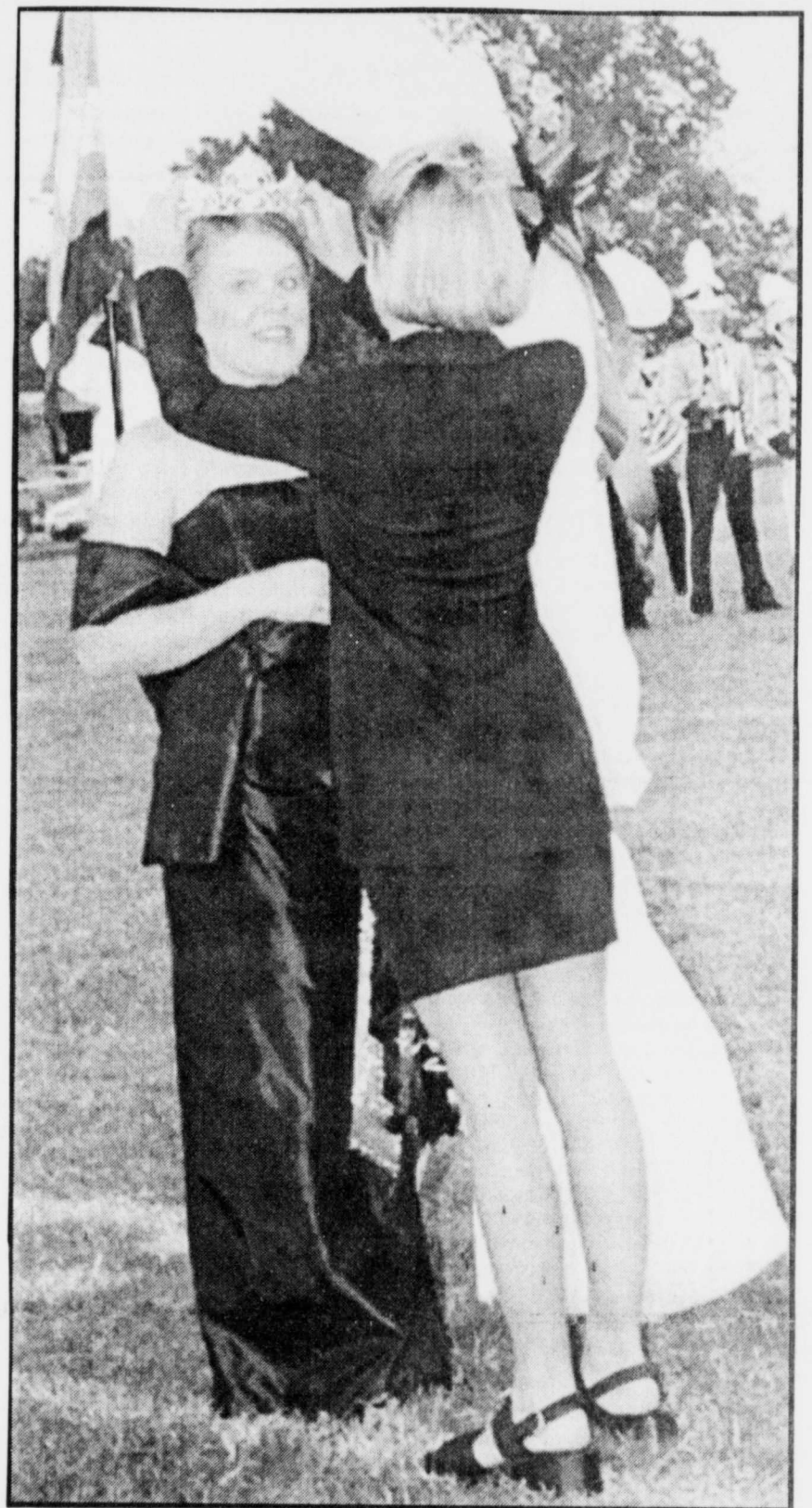
To receive nomination forms, please contact your child's teacher or Tiffany Easley at 632-5214 or 379-3841.

The deadline for forms to be returned to the school is Friday, October 8.

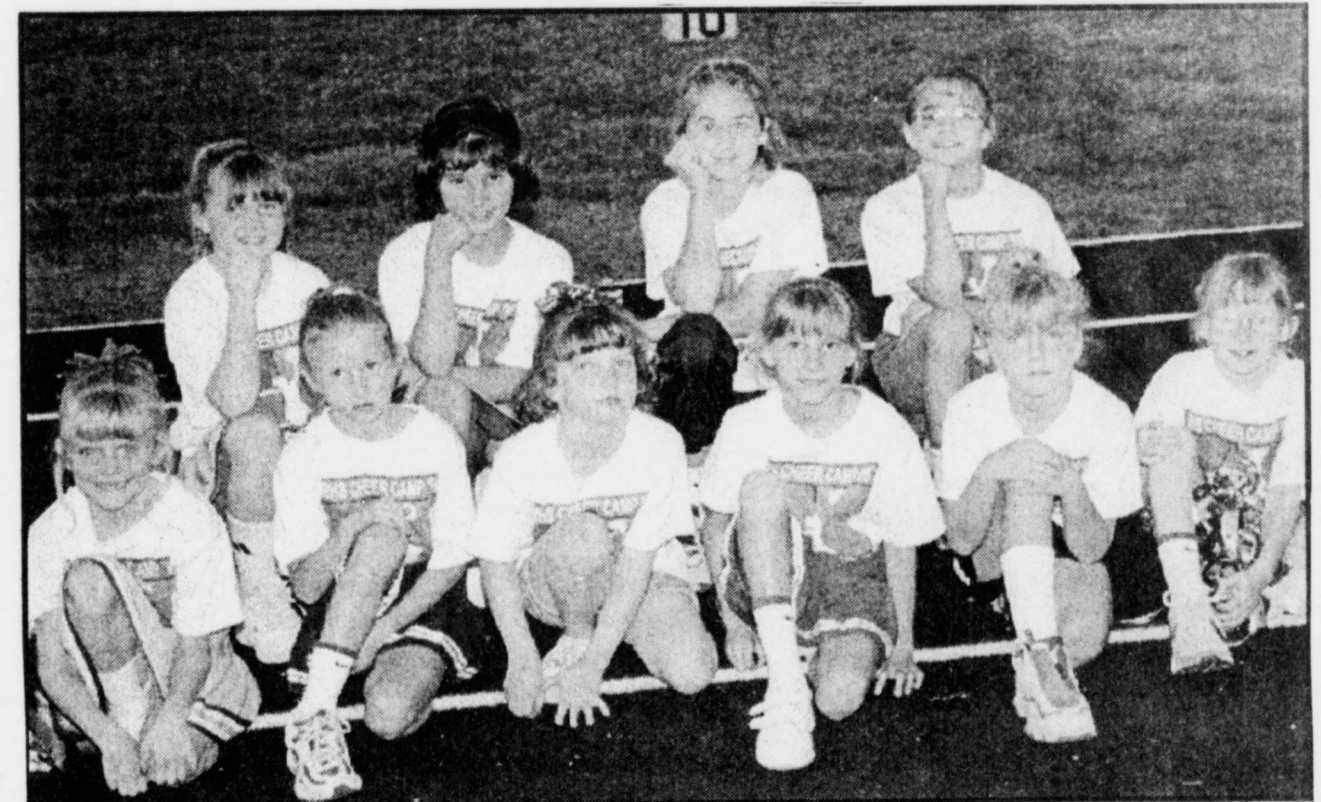
People 'n Things

September 25

A horseshoe tournament will be held Sept. 25 at Spring Park, 2nd and Ward St. in Hughes Springs. Sign-up will be at 10:30 a.m., with pitching beginning at 11:00 a.m. The tournament will include both singles and doubles games. Everyone is invited. Future tournament dates are October 30 and November 6. For more information, contact Ed Harris at 562-1208.



JOANIE SWARTS-the Rivercrest 1998-99 Homecoming Queen crowns the 1999-2000 Rivercrest Homecoming Queen, Sissy Meredith. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



MINI-CHEERLEADERS-from Talco were on hand to cheer for the Rebel team at the Homecoming game on Friday night. The girls did a great job and got to show the crowd what they learned at the RHS Mini-Cheer Camp they attended this summer. Pictured are; (back row from the left) Kayla Clemmons, Torrie Grissom, Taylor Phillips and Emily McCuller; (front row from the left) Keylee Clemmons, Brandi Via, Brooke Wilson, Amber Via, Lacey Bryan and Jerica White. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

People 'n Things

September 26

The St. Matthew Baptist Church in Mt. Pleasant, Tx. will be celebrating their pastor and wife, Bro. J.C. and Brenda Fountain Sr.'s 8th Appreciation Service on Sept. 26, 1999 at 3:00 p.m. Bro. Gary Brown of the Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church in Gay, Oklahoma will be the guest speaker. The public is invited to attend.

October 9

The Xi Upsilon Delta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi in Mt. Pleasant, Texas is sponsoring its annual arts and crafts show on Saturday, Oct. 9, 1999 at the Titus County Civic Center in Mt. Pleasant. All area craftsmen are invited to participate. The show is to benefit local charities and to fund the annual scholarship for a graduating senior. To obtain space for a booth contact: Sheryl Preddy, 1705 E. First, Mt. Pleasant, Texas 75455 or call (903) 572-2110.

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Country Cooking

By Liz Irwin

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Our recipes this week deal with sweets! Cookies and such! Now that the weather is cooling off, light that oven and get to work!

They came to us from a cookbook put together by the St. Joseph's Hospital Auxiliary out of Paris and is dated during 1980. Hope you enjoy these and we will see you in the kitchen!

Queen of Puddings-someone asked me last week for a bread pudding recipe and here it is!

Skillet Cookies-I had this recipe a long time ago and have been looking for it and makes a great Christmas cookie!

Almond Butter Cookies-these cookies are great and give that nutty flavor along with the almond flavor!

Crispy Clusters-a mixture of marshmallows, nuts, coconut, Rice Krispies and chocolate...wow!

Lemon Bars-this bar recipe is delicious if you like lemon and they are dusted on top with powdered sugar.

Lemon Pecan Dainties-this recipe can be made ahead of time and refrigerated for later use.

September 23, 1999 Cookie Recipes

Queen of Puddings

8 cupfuls toasted bread crumbs
4 eggs
1 pint milk
nutmeg
1/2 cup sugar
Toast until bread is dry. Roll into fine bread crumbs, using rolling pin. Grease deep cake pan. Add bread crumbs. Beat eggs and add milk and sugar and nutmeg to crumbs and mix thoroughly. Sprinkle top with nutmeg. Bake at moderate heat until firm or browned.

Skillet Cookies

1 package dates-cut fine
2 eggs-beaten
2 cups Rice Krispies
1 stick margarine
3/4 cup sugar
1 cup chopped dates
Put dates, butter, eggs and sugar over low heat. Cook 15 minutes, stirring often. Remove from heat. Stir in Rice Krispies and nuts. When cool, make into balls and roll in crushed Rice Krispies.

Almond Butter Cookies

1 cup butter
1/2 cups sugar
1/4 teaspoon salt
2 cups flour
1 teaspoon almond extract
Cream butter and sugar. Add salt, flour and extract. Mix well. Chill dough until easy to handle. Form 1" balls and roll in sugar. Stamp with cookie stamp if desired or use bottom of glass dipped in sugar. Bake at 350 degrees 12-15 minutes or until browned around edges.

Crispy Clusters

4-1/2 cups miniature marshmallows
1-6 ounce package semi-sweet chocolate morsels
1/2 cup chopped nuts
1 cup shredded coconut
5 cups Rice Krispies
1/2 cup margarine
Melt marshmallows and margarine over low heat. Stir until smooth. Add cereal, coconut and nuts. Mix well. Drop by tablespoons onto waxed paper. Top clusters with melted chocolate and chill.

Lemon Bars

2 cups sifted flour
1/2 cup sifted powdered sugar
1 cup butter
4 eggs
1/3 cup lemon juice
1/2 teaspoon baking powder
2 cups sugar
1/4 cup flour
Take first three ingredients of flour, powdered sugar and cut into butter til it resembles meal. Press into pan. Bake at 350 degrees for 20-25 minutes until slightly brown. Beat eggs, sugar and lemon juice together. Sift flour and baking powder together and add juice and egg mixture. Pour over crust and bake at 350 degrees for 25 minutes. Sprinkle with powdered sugar. Cool and cut into squares.

Lemon Pecan Dainties
1 cup finely chopped pecans
1 cup sugar
1 teaspoon lemon flavoring
1 tablespoon lemon juice
1 teaspoon baking powder
2/3 cup shortening
1 egg
1 tablespoon grated lemon peel
2 cups flour
1/2 teaspoon salt
Cream shortening and sugar; add egg, lemon peel, juice and flavoring. Beat well; add sifted dry ingredients and stir in nuts. Shape into 2 rolls and wrap in waxed paper and chill until firm. Slice very thin and bake on ungreased cookie sheet at 350 degrees for 12-15 minutes.



It is a happy talent to know how to play.

—Emerson

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Emergency farm loans being accepted

Applications for emergency farm loans for damages and losses caused by extreme fire hazards occurring August 1, 1999 and continuing in Titus County are being accepted at the Farm Service Agency in Mt. Pleasant and Clarksville.

Titus, Morris, Camp, Franklin and Red River are included in the Texas counties recently named by Secretary of Agriculture, Dan Glickman, eligible for loans to cover part of actual production losses resulting from extreme fire hazards.

Farmers may be eligible for loans of up to 80% of their actual losses or the operating loan needed to continue in business or \$500,000, whichever is less. For farmers unable to obtain credit from private commercial lenders, the interest is 3.75%.

Applications will be accepted until May 1, 2000, but farmers should apply as soon as possible.

FSA offices are open from 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Red River County Fair begins

The Red River County Fair will open for the 1999 season on Tuesday, September 21 with check-in of various exhibits. Below is a listing of the various fair events:

Tuesday, September 21-exhibit building and horticulture check in and horticulture.

Wednesday, September 22-judging of exhibit and horticulture exhibits, check in of livestock exhibits and fair parade at 5:00 p.m. Stage entertainment and square dancing.

Thursday, September 23-livestock exhibits will be judged and stage entertainment by local gospel groups.

Friday, September 24-Livestock shows and judging, stage entertainment and Youth dummy roping contest.

Saturday, September 25-Livestock show and exhibits, Kiddie Livestock show, tumbling routine and country music on stage.

Sunday, September 26-check out of all exhibits.

Educational program set for Sept. 27

"Are Oral Implants For You?" is the topic of an evening educational program sponsored by McCuiston Regional Medical Center's 55 Prime and Robert White, D.D.S. and Ralf Poinel, D.D.S.

The session will be Monday, September 27 from 6 until 8 p.m. in the

Pavilion West Classroom. Dentists will explain the benefits of dental implants and explore alternatives for those not suited for this procedure.

There is no charge for the program and reservations are not required but are encouraged. Call 782-2800.



Bogata V.F.W.
Post 8187 News

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

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

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

*The VFW will be starting a pool tournament on Tuesday night at 7:00 pm. Everyone is invited to come out for competition and fellowship.

*James Case and his County Hallmark Band will play good ole country music Friday night, Sept. 24 from 8 pm to 12 midnight at the Bogata VFW Post 8187. All are invited to come out and enjoy the evening.

*Happy Birthday to James Minshew.

*Sympathy is extended to the family of Kenneth Beers.

McCuiston Gala is filled with "Intrigue"

"Innocence and Intrigue-The 50's" is the theme of the 13th annual McCuiston Regional Medical Center Endowment Fund Gala set for Saturday, October 2. Arvin Starrett is chairing the event.

Guests will dress in theme costume ranging from Bobbie Sox, Poodle Skirts, rolled up blue jeans

and white T-shirts to formal attire. Each year more than 200 volunteers are involved with the preparation of the gala.

According to Raymond Armstrong, development manager for McCuiston, underwriting for the gala has begun. For information, call 737-1161.

Classes set for food service personnel

Area schools food service personnel who need to be certified by the Texas School Food Service Association (TSFSA) are urged to register for classes to be given during September, October, November and December through Paris Junior College's Continuing Education Department, according to Robbie White, Director.

Class sessions are available on the PJC campus as well as the Sulphur

Springs and Greenville Technical Centers. All class sessions are held on Saturdays to facilitate participants. Everyone who is verified in attendance and successfully completes a self-reported evaluation of objectives will receive a certificate from PJC or TSFSA.

A complete class schedule is available by contacting any of the PJC campuses or by calling (903) 782-0447 or 783-0445.

What passion cannot music raise and quell?
—John Dryden

Did you know the national average cost of a funeral today is almost twice as much as it was 15 years ago? Did you also know that Wood Funeral Homes of Bogata and Deport can write you a policy that will keep the price of a funeral from increasing, even if death occurs 10, 15, or 20 years from now. You can pay a monthly premium for 12, 24, or 36 months and have this cost taken care of at today's prices. Don't put off something as important as this and leave those financial obligations to your children.

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Obituaries

Kenneth R. Beers dies September 17

Kenneth R. Beers, age 50 of Bogata, died Friday, September 17 in Veterans Hospital in Dallas.

Services were held at 10:00 a.m. Monday, September 20 under the Pavillion of Cuthand Cemetery. Wood Funeral Home made burial in Cuthand Cemetery.

Mr. Beers was born December 21, 1948 in Paris, the son of James and Bernice Mauldin Beers. He was a decorated Viet Nam veteran, serving in the U.S. Army and received three separate Purple Heart commendations.

He is survived by his parents, James and Bernice Beers of Bogata; two sisters, Carolyn L. arey of Winona and Shelia Anderson of Rogers, AR.

Card of Thanks

I would like to thank everyone for my wonderful birthday party. Special thanks to those who hosted the party and to all who sent cards, phoned and attended.

God bless you.
Maurine Mankins

Larry Wayne Sullivan dies September 16

Larry Wayne Sullivan, age 52 of Paris died Thursday, September 16 at Christus St. Joseph's Hospital in Paris.

Services were held at 2:00 p.m. Saturday at Bright-Holland Funeral Home with Rev. Floyd P. Woodard officiating. Interment followed in Mt. Tabor Cemetery.

Larry was born May 14, 1947 in Paris to Howard and Lorene Head Sullivan. He worked in construction and was a member of Bounds Baptist Church. He served two years in the U.S. Army.

Mr. Sullivan is survived by his mother and stepfather, Lorene and Bill Lawler of Haworth, OK; one brother, David Sullivan of Pattonville; two nephews, Cody and Wesley Sullivan of Pattonville; two aunts and uncles, Mr. and Mrs. Troy Head of Ft. Worth and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Brackeen of Texarkana.

He was preceded in death by his father in 1964.

Jerry Hendricks, Gene Vickers, Ricky Rodgers, Rickey Wells, Larry Bowers and Steve Salters served as bearers. Dean McCoy and Lonnie Duncan were honorary bearers.

Card of Thanks

I want to thank all my friends and relatives who came to help me celebrate my 90th birthday. Thank you for the gifts and all the birthday cards. I love you all.

Frances Franklin

Lenna Furgerson dies September 20

Lenna Furgerson, age 94, formerly of Deport, died Monday, September 20 at Bailey Village in Gainesville, Florida.

Fry-Gibbs Funeral Home conducted graveside services at 2:00 p.m. Thursday at Highland Cemetery in Deport with Rev. Jim Benfer officiating.

Lenna was born October 4, 1904 in Deport, a daughter of Kate Dawson Shuman and Cube Shuman. She married Tom Furgerson in Paris. She was a housewife and a life-long member of the First United Methodist Church in Deport.

Surviving are a sister, Juanita McDivitt of Lubbock; two nephews, John McDivitt of Florida and James R. McDivitt of California.

Bethel Homecoming is Sunday

Bethel Baptist Church service and homecoming will be September 26 beginning at 10:00 a.m. with Sunday School followed at 10:45 a.m. with church service.

Lunch will be served immediately following church service. Old time singing will be enjoyed at the night service.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

Shipmates sought by Texas Chapter of LST Association

Bob Garner, membership director of the Texas Chapter LST Association reports the group is looking for shipmates in our area for coming reunions. These men served in the amphibious forces of the U.S. Navy.

The next reunion will be held in San Antonio, Texas on October 21, 22 & 23, 1999. For more information contact Mr. Garner at: Bob Garner LST 461, HC 52 Box 362, Hemphill, Texas 75948.



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How Year 2000 Fraud works

The first thing a con artist often does is persuade consumers that Year 2000 computer problems will create havoc on our economy. They may describe frightening scenarios of banks shutting down, leaving account owners empty handed and unable to recover funds from their accounts or investments in IRAs and Certificates of Deposit.

Con artists may also warn about problems affecting other sources of income such as government assistance or investments in the stock market. Fearing the elimination of social security, Medicare, or their hard earned retirement dollars.

Common schemes con artist use to swindle money:

- * Convincing consumers that the dire predictions regarding loss of financial security due to Year 2000 problems are true.
- * Persuading consumers to invest in "special" or "secret" products, companies, or accounts that will generate tremendous profits.
- * Advising individuals to withdraw their money out of banks, credit unions, or other financial institutions and turn it over to them for "safekeeping"

Tips and warning signs to guard against fraud

- * NEVER give out account information or credit card numbers to someone unless you're certain they are trustworthy. Thieves can appear very sincere and friendly. And they can be very persuasive. All they need is your account number to empty all the money out of your account.
- * Don't enter into a deal if you're being pressured to act immediately.
- * Be wary of people posing as bank officials, police officers, or other government agents who ask you to assist them in an investigation or audit of your financial institution. You may be asked to withdraw cash or give out your account information. No legitimate official would ask a consumer to participate in this type of investigation.



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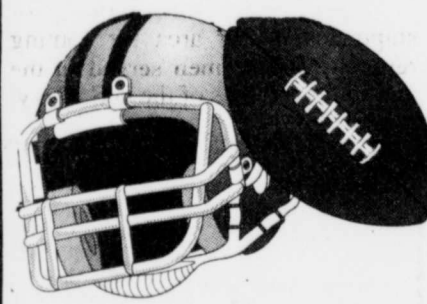


AIR BORNE SANDWICH-Rebels Keith Hines and Cody Wolfe teamed up to tackle one of the Detroit Eagles recently. Although the Eagles who are State ranked took a 19-0 win the Rebels gave them a better game than last season. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



DOWN AND SURROUNDED-Rebel quarterback Cody Wolfe is taken down at the line of scrimmage as the Rebels met Ore City in their Homecoming game. After an exciting game the Rebel pulled off a 14-12 win. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

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Area schools participate at Avery CC

Avery ISD hosted the 8th annual Red River Invitational Cross-Country Meet on Saturday, September 18 on the Ace Deuce Ranch in Avery. There were 16 school attending and participating at the meet.

In the Junior High Girl's division-Tiffany Nance placed 4th from Detroit and Stephanie Williams placed 10th from Rivercrest.

In the Junior High Boy's Division, Prairiland placed 4th overall with 107. The JV girl's division had Prairiland's Lacy Davis placing 9th at 16:28 and Rivercrest's Krystal Valezzale placing 7th with 15:38.

The JV boys division saw Prairiland again placing 4th overall with 107. Brandon Brehannas of Rivercrest placed 1st with 18:48 and Kyle Stansell of Rivercrest placing 10th with a time of 21:53.

Varsity girl's had Detroit in 2nd place with a total of 71 and Rivercrest 3rd with 87. Landra Beth Stewardson of Detroit took first with a time of 12:50 and Lige Anna Stewardson of Detroit placed 3rd with a time of 13:15. Sue Ellen Barnes of Prairiland placed 8th with a time of 13:56. Kim Shily of Rivercrest placed 9th with a time of 14:00.

Varsity boy's saw Detroit's A.W. Melton with a time of 17:22 and 4th place.

The ranch also hosted the first annual Kid's Fun Run winners were Mandy Crawford of Rivercrest 7th in the 5-8th age group. 6th grader Josh Carr from Detroit place 1st in the 6th grader division.

Sponsors for the Fun Run were State Bank of DeKalb, Branding Iron Feed, First National Bank of Clarksville, Coca Cola Bottling Co., Clarksville Funeral Home, Greiner Crop Ins., Parker/Harvey Century 21, L.G. Enterprises, Fresh Ideas, Sub Tech., Midnight Farms and the Annona Cafe.



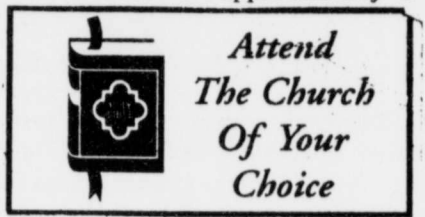
CC teams compete in Avery

The Rivercrest Lady Rebel Varsity, Rebel Varsity and Junior High Lady Rebels traveled to Avery for Cross Country competition Saturday, Sept. 18.

In the Junior High Girls division there were 81 runners. The Lady Rebel team placed 4th out of 12 teams. Running for the team were Stephanie Williams placing 10th with 14:07; Paige Boyd, 14th with 14:27; Jill Shirley, 22nd with 15:08; Heather Cox, 30th with 15:36; Johna Ingram-36th with 15:50; Kendra Birchfield, 45th with 16:32; Kacey Van Deaver, 49th with 16:48; Cassie McCuller, 50th with 16:57 and Kerri Simmons, 56th with 17:39. Coach Debbie Williams said, "All these girls are improving weekly and they ran a super race at Avery".

In the JV Girls division the Lady Rebels had one runner. Krystal Valenzuela placed 7th out of 22 runners with a 15:36 time for the 2 mile course. Great job Krystal!!

In the JV Boys division the Rebels had two runners. Brandon Buchanan and Kyle Stansell ran the 3 mile course. Brandon was the champion of the division with a time of 18:47 and Kyle Stansell placed 10th with a 21:51. There were approximately 45



runners in the division.

In the Varsity Girls division the Lady Rebels placed 3rd as a team. Running were; Kim Shirley placing 9th with a 13:51; Kasey Crawford placing 11th with a 14:06, Molly Hare placing 20th with a 15:10; Rachel Case placing 14th with a 15:22; Erica Williams placing 15th with a 15:39; Tina Carder placing 16th with a 15:44 and Nikki Jones placing 28th with a 16:05. The team score was 87. McLeod won the meet with 44, Detroit placed 2nd with a team total of 77. Nice job Lady Rebels!!!

In the Varsity Boys division Ryan Case ran well and finished 26th with a time of 19:55 out of 65 runners. Hollis Grimes traveled with the teams to cheer them on. He injured an ankle and was held out this week. Coach Debbie Williams said, " Ryan and Hollis are running strong and I can't wait to see them compete at Mt. Pleasant next week. Our times are coming down weekly and we are seeing good competition and preparing for our district".

The Lady Rebels and Rebels will run at Mt. Pleasant High School on Saturday, Sept. 25.

Rebels win Homecoming game

The Rivercrest Rebels played host to Ore City in the 1999 Homecoming game on Friday night at the Swamp. Following the crowning of Sissy Meredith as the 1999 Homecoming Queen the Rebels took the field with determination. Ore City got the jump on the Rebs and scored early in the game and held the lead for almost the entire game but they did not count on the "never give up" attitude from the Rebel team. Following an exciting game the Rebs took their Homecoming win 14-12.

Offensive stats for the game were; J.C. King-16 carries for 44 yards; Keith Hines-2 receptions for 92 yards;

Scotty Goodwin-2 quarterback sacks and 1 fumble recovery for a touchdown; Bryce Watkins-5 carries for 12 yards; Michael Galloway-1 carry for a 2 point conversion and Cody Wolfe had the long yardage for the game with a 29 yard gain.

On the defense Scotty Goodwin had 2 pass interceptions; Michael Smith presented a wall in the middle of the line to stop Ore City and Keith Hines, Cody Wolfe and the entire Rebel team made the plays that count to give the team the win.

The Rebels will travel to Fannindel on Friday, Sept. 24 with game time at 7:30 p.m. Go Rebels!!!!!!!

Rivercrest 8th grade takes win over Ore City

The Rivercrest Rebel 8th grade football team took their first win last Thursday night against Ore City at Ore City. Ore City took the kick off but the Rivercrest boys defense led by Matthew Ross kept them from getting a first down. On the opening Rebel drive, quarterback Chance Belcher fumbled the ball and Ore City recovered. Again the Rivercrest defense proved to much for Ore City and Rivercrest began their second drive of the night on their own 48. Four plays later they were forced to punt and Ore City again went to work at their own 45. End of the quarter had the score 0-0. The Rivercrest defense did a fantastic job behind the efforts of Justin Tucker, Cody Cheatwood, Matthew Ross and Jeremy Ward.

Ore City began attacking with their passes on the opening drive of the second quarter moving the ball to the Rivercrest 26. Next play found them at the 8-yard line and first and goal Ore City. Two plays later a pass play put the ball in the end zone for an Ore City score. The Rivercrest defense held and their extra point was no good. Shon Gage caught a Chance Belcher pass on the first play of the Rivercrest drive and blasted 54 yards for a Rivercrest TD. The extra point

was denied and with 5:21 left in the half, the score was 6-6. Ore City had a holding and a personal foul penalty moving their next drive back to their own 14, penalties would plague Ore City for the rest of the game.

Calan Wilcox picked up an Ore City fumble that was forced by Ward to add six more points to the Rivercrest side of the scoreboard. On the PAT, Tucker scrambled into the end zone for two, score 14-6 Rivercrest. Good defense by Joe Stewart and Tucker had Ore City punting four plays into their next drive, but Perry fumbled the punt reception and Ore City recovered and moved the ball to the Rivercrest 29 yard line. Again the Rivercrest defense behind Ward and Ross held Ore City and Rivercrest took over on downs, but then incomplete passes and illegal motion calls pushed Rivercrest back to a 3rd and 20. The half ended with the score 14-6 Rivercrest.

Rivercrest took the second half kick-off and Ward moved the ball to the Ore City 49. Good runs by Belcher and Tucker moved the ball to the Ore City 11. Gage then hauled the ball to the 5. On the next play Gage scampered into the end zone, but a holding call moved the ball back out to the 15.

Rivercrest repeated the play and again Gage hit pay dirt. Tucker breezed into the end zone and never touched for an extra two with 4:28 left in the third Rivercrest led 22-6. Two consecutive face mask calls against Rivercrest moved Ore City to the Rivercrest 47. Belcher then picked off an Ore City pass and Rivercrest went to work again at their own 30 yard line. Tucker had a good run followed by Gage who broke loose to take the ball to the Ore City 32. Quarter ended with the score 22-6 Rivercrest.

The Rivercrest offense could not get anything going wand then the defense again shut down Ore City and the Rivercrest offense began work on the Ore City 15 yard line. Three plays later QB Belcher took a QB keeper in for six more. PAT was denied. Good Rivercrest defense held Ore City again on their next possession. Belcher ran down a sure Ore City TD, stopping the ball on the Rivercrest 15. On the next play, Ore City busted through the Rivercrest line to score. The extra point was denied. The Rivercrest Rebels began work again with 1:12 left in the game, but the game ended with the score 28-14 Rivercrest.

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Mrs. Jeffrey Andrew Crain

Wilkinson-Crain united in marriage

Shanna Marie Wilkinson and Jeffrey Andrew Crain were married Saturday at St. Paul United Methodist Church. Officiating the service was Rev. Curtis Cadenhead.

Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Wilkinson. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Crain of Richmond.

Andrea Key of Arlington served as matron of honor and bridesmaids were Melissa Ross of Cleveland, Tennessee, Lori Stinebaugh of San Celmente, California, Lana McCutchen of Abilene, Tx., Sarah Baumann of Dallas, Tx. and sister of the bride-groom, Hayley Bagby of Austin, Tx.

Serving as best man was P.J. Hennessey of Richmond. Groomsmen were Max Johnson of Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama, Kevin Williams of Houston, Tx., the bride

grooms brother, Brad Crain of Garden Valley, Tx., the bride's brother, Byron Wilkinson of Dallas, Tx. and Scott Kerr of Austin, Tx.

Serving as ushers were Trey Thornton of Austin, Tx., John Marbin of Friendswood, Tx., Jaime Angel and Danny Rivera, both of Houston, Tx. and Randy Young of Dallas, Tx.

The bride attended Cooper High School and graduated from Texas A & M University with a bachelor's degree in sports management. She is employed by Barton Creek Resort.

The groom attended Lamar High School and graduated from Texas A & M University with a bachelor's degree in marketing. He is employed by Newmark Homes.

After a wedding trip to Maui, Hawaii the couple will make their home in Austin, Tx.



Mr. and Mrs. Randall Cord Perkins

Perkins-Gresham exchange vows

Lacey Michelle Gresham of Clardy and Randall Cord Perkins of Emberson were united in marriage at 7 o'clock in the evening on July 31, at the Pattonville Baptist Church in Pattonville. Bro. Glen Renfro officiated at the double-ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Randy Gresham of Clardy and the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Travis Davidson of Blossom and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Gresham of Deport. She is the great-granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Alsbrook of Deport.

The groom is the son of Randy Perkins of Emberson and Ms. Cheryl Perkins of Bakersfield, CA. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Farris of Emberson.

A white heart-shaped archway and two white seven-branched candelabra decorated with English Ivy, burgundy roses, burgundy bows, Boston fern and white doves served as a backdrop for the ceremony.

Wedding music was provided by Leslie McHam of Blossom. Candlelighters were cousins of the bride, Brandon Godwin of Bogata

and Joshua Holt of Leesburg. The bride was escorted to the altar by her father, and given in marriage by her parents.

She wore a white formal length satin gown embellished with lace appliques, sequins and pearls with a matching chapel length train, headpiece and veil. She carried a cascading bouquet of burgundy roses, baby's breaths and English Ivy, accented with white lace and ribbon.

Jennifer Torres of Minter served as Maid of Honor and Melody Gresham, sister of the bride of Clardy, was flower girl.

Clayton Raspberry of Lamar Point served as best man and Tristen Norwood of Minter was ring bearer.

Ushers were Brandy Perkins, brother of the groom of Emberson and Ryan Houston of Cash.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the fellowship hall of the church. Houseparty members were Rebecca Gilbert of Taylortown and Julie Himes of Pattonville.

After a brief honeymoon, the couple are residing in Clardy.



Rev. and Mrs. L.J. Stotts to celebrate 65 years Sept. 10

Reverend and Mrs. L.J. Stotts formerly of the area will celebrate their 65th wedding anniversary on September 10, 1999.

Rev. Stotts was pastor of the First

Baptist Church in Fulbright in 1947 and 1948. The couple now reside in Pineville, Louisiana. They plan to celebrate this special anniversary with a trip to Natchez, Mississippi.

Schools to have reunion

Cuthand, Maple, Mauldin, Mt. Livingston and Turner Lake Schools will hold their reunion on Saturday, October 9 at the Bogata Community Center.

All exes and friends are urged to attend. Chairman Annie Lee Moore is welcoming all to be there for a covered dish luncheon to be served at noon.

All paper plates, cups and eating utensils will be furnished, just bring your appetite and your favorite story to tell, and join in all the fun.

JOHNTOWN NEWS

By Jana Hawkins

Adam and Tracey Eudy and boys hosted a hamburger supper at their home Sunday night after church services. Aaron, Erin and Chris Eudy, Mark, Jana, Haley, Heather and Hana Hawkins enjoyed the meal and visiting.

Mark Hawkins, Aaron Eudy, Adam Eudy and Elmer Green enjoyed a round of golf in Paris Sunday afternoon.

Doug Hawkins and Lucille Hawkins Childers enjoyed a ride late Saturday. She was surprised to see how much timber has been cleared along Cuthand road. They visited with Steven and Kathy Hawkins and family in Pine Branch.

Toni and Preston Combest of Pittsburg had a birthday supper Sunday for their son, Clint Combest and daughter, Amber Combest Ramsey. A delicious meal of catfish that Preston caught from Lake Bob Sandlin and all the trimmings along with birthday cake were shared by Melanie Combest and Becky Baxley of Hallsville, Clint and Julie Combest and family of Hughes Springs, Stacey and Tim Stansbury and children of Longview, Amber and Rusty Ramsey of Pittsburg, Lucille Childers of Johtown and Toni and Preston Combest.

Lucille Childers had lunch with Jan and Mac McCuller in Mt. Pleasant Sunday.

Cheryl H. Rogers of Irving called Lucille Childers Sunday night. She and Wayne Rogers are on the benefit committee for their church. Sunday afternoon they had a Hawaiian Luau which was reported a big success.

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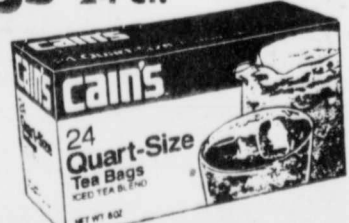
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HOMEcomings ROYALTY-at Rivercrest High School this year were; (from the left) Jill Foster who was escorted by her father, Morris; Nicole Hervey who was escorted by her father, Butch; Sissy Meredith who was escorted by her father, Michael and Wendy Gentry escorted by her father, Andy. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Ross' to have housewarming

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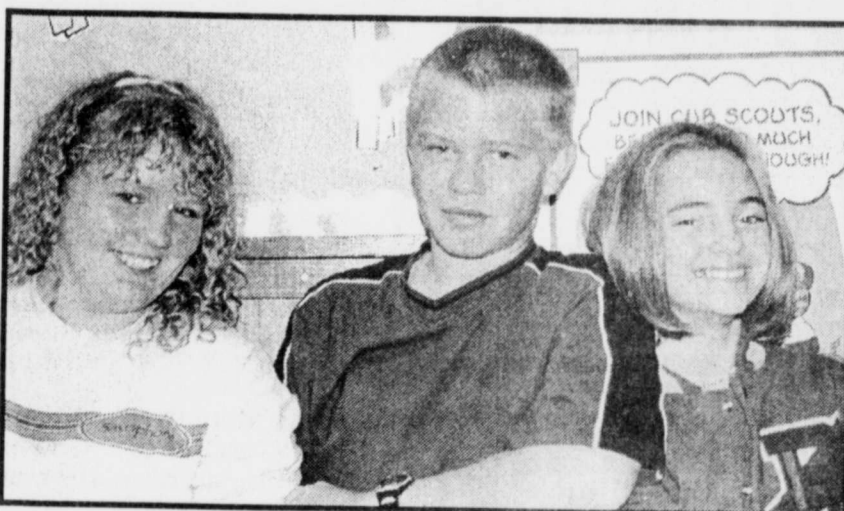
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YOUR TOPS-Receiving top honors for the first six weeks in the Bogata Accelerated Reading Program were; (from the left) Danielle Varner with 46.4 earned points; Micah Chaloner with 39.8 earned points and Paige Boyd with 68.8 earned points. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

GT students enjoy field trip

The Gifted and Talented students in 1st through 4th grades from Talco and Bogata Schools enjoyed a field trip to Texarkana College to see a musical production of "Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day". Following the play the students had lunch at Pizza Hut in New Boston. Attending were: Macie Rains, Jesse Ross, Ashley Thuresson, Jordan White, Ty Crump, Jessica Jesse, Brittany Littrell, Clay Rose, Tara Cunningham, Cheyenne Williams, Taylor Anderson, Kaylee McIntire, Ethan Meredith, Jessica Thompson, Coty Townes, Katelynn Van Deaver, Kyle McCuller, Garrett Carroll, Ty Brown, Bud Douglas, E.J. Via, Laura Beville and Emily McCuller. Sponsors for the trip were: Robbie Beville, Tiffany Easley and Monica Townes.

Bogata PTO to sponsor bake sale

The Bogata PTO will be sponsoring a monthly bake sale beginning Friday, Oct. 1, 1999 at 9:00 am in front of the Bogata Guaranty Bank. This month's bake sale will be made by the Kindergarten class parents and a variety of delicious baked goods will be available. Anyone wishing to donate a baked item for the sale will be appreciated. The sales will be held the first Friday of each month and sponsored by a different class each month. Plan to purchase your weekend treats while helping the PTO purchase needed items for the school. For more information contact Judy Speir at 632-1059.

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The Bogata City Council is scheduled to vote on the tax rate that will result in that tax increase at a public meeting to be held on September 27, 1999 at 7:00 p.m. at Bogata City Hall, 128 N. Main Street, Bogata, TX 75417

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Applicant's Occupation	Work Ph. #	Gross Salary	W - Weekly	
Time On Job	Area Code()	\$	Y - Yearly	
Yrs. Mos.			M - Monthly	
Soc. Security No.	*Source of Other Income	Gross Salary	W - Weekly	
		\$	Y - Yearly	
			M - Monthly	
Previous Employer's Name (If less than 5 years at current employer)				City/State
Time on Previous Job				Yrs.

*For the purpose of securing credit from you, I certify that the above information is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I further certify that I have attained The Age of Majority. I authorize you to check my credit and employment history and to provide and/or obtain information about credit experiences with me.

• Signature _____
Date _____

Agricultural PCA and North Texas PCA announce merger

Effective October 1, Agricultural and North Texas Production Credit Associations will become one, operating under their new name of AgriLand, Farm Credit Services. This will culminate a successful joint management arrangement entered 12 months ago for the specific purpose of effectuating a merger of these two leading agricultural lenders.

Combined loans are reported to approximately 1,600 stockholders exceeding \$89.8 million. For the eight months ending August 31, 1999, after tax earnings totaled \$800,000. AgriLand's total assets exceeded \$96 million with total capital in excess of \$19 million.

AgriLand, Farm Credit Services will retain the original date of charter which was issued December, 1933 when the Production Credit Associations were first created. AgriLand's chartered territory will include 54 counties which will comprise almost one quarter of the State of Texas. The cooperative will maintain 10 office locations stretching from the Red River to the Gulf Coast.

Shelby Harper, Sulphur Bluff, Texas cattleman and Chairman of the Board of North Texas PCA commented, "This is the first step towards reaching our goal of becoming a full service agricultural lender under the expanding authorities of the system regulator. Our strong customer loyalty has been built around service and we want to continue to meet the expanding needs of existing and future stockholders."

Tommy Welch, Vice President and Branch Manager of AgriLand's Clarksville office Jerry Bailey, Vice President and Branch Manager of the Paris office commented, "By merging the two associations together, we get the best of two worlds. The philosophy has been to select loan programs and credit delivery systems that will enhance service to the customer."

Red River County Sheriff's Report September 12-18

September 12: Report of disorderly conduct; report of theft in Manchester.

September 13: Inmate transported to SAFF; report of burglary of habitation; report of cattle complaint in Kanawha.

September 14: Report of assault tin Bagwell; activated alarm in Avery; assault victim at ETMC; report of telephone harassment; male arrested on 90 day court commitment; report of telephone lines on roadway; report of theft in Annona; shots fired in Hopeville; report of noise disturbance.

September 15: Inmate transported to TDCJ; inmate transported to county jail on charge of driving while license suspended; male arrested on two warrants for FTA/speeding and FTA/expired driver's license; report of 4 wheeler disturbance in Avery; report of incident on Co Rd 1345; female arrested on charge of assault; report of family disturbance on Co Rd 1257.

September 16: Request for assistance from other agency; report of cattle complaint in Caneywell; report of assault; trespassing in Shawnee Creek area; transported six Wisconsin inmates to Bowie County to take bus to Wisconsin; report of suspicious circumstances in Detroit; suspicious person in Bagwell; 911 hang-up call in Rugby; activated alarm in Avery; reckless driver in Detroit; male arrested on Bowie County fugitive warrant for arson.

September 17: Suspicious circumstances on Hwy. 82 east; male arrested on warrant for violation of probation, burglary; inmate released after paying fine and court costs; report of activated alarm; theft from Hwy. 82 west.

September 18: Animal complaint on Hwy 271; report of burglary on FM196; inmate transported to county jail on offense of family violence assault; report of disorderly conduct in Detroit; report of activated alarm in Avery; report of reckless driver on Hwy. 82 east; fight in progress in Bogata; welfare concern request on Hwy. 37 north.

Red River County Jail currently holds 82 inmates; one female in Franklin County for a total of 83 inmates.

Talco Locals

By Nancy Brown
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Anita Baker of Cooper's Chapel and Annette Skaggs of Bogata visited Nancy Brown at the Bogata News Office on Wednesday.

Bruce and Tammie Case attended the Avery Cross County Meet Saturday. They cheered the Lady Rebel and Rebel runners as they competed in the 2 and 3 mile runs.

The Calvary Baptist Church reports a good turn out for the special music group, the Thurmons, that visited this week. Everyone enjoyed the special music.

Karen Jones and Marta Rhoades and Robert Caul had supper at the Fish Fry in Paris and attended the play "Streetcar Named Desire" Saturday. They enjoyed seeing Tim Woods participate in the play.

Evelyn Bowman is a patient at Titus County Regional Hospital. She is reported doing well.

Terry and Regan Howell of Long-



HALEY TAYLOR COOK-2 1/2 year old niece of Lisa Dyess and Michael Brooks of Talco competed and won in the Shreveport Red River Rally Pageant. Haley won Most Beautiful, Best Fashion and her age division's Supreme Queen. Haley's family is very proud of her.

Have
A
Nice
Weekend



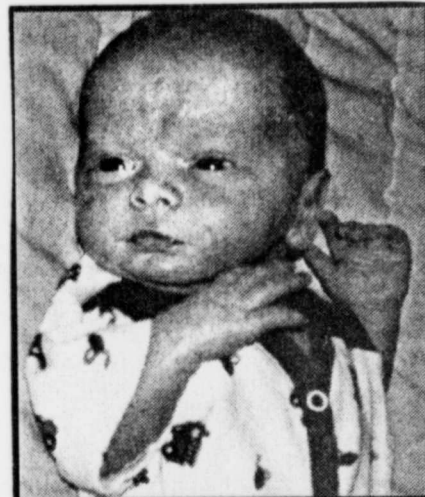
view were honored with a 25th wedding anniversary dinner Sunday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rayford Pittman. Attending were the couples sons, Mark and Cody, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Wisinger and Shari, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Lou Damron, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Pittman and Mike and Chris Eudy and children.

Bruce, Tammie and Rachel Case enjoyed shopping and eating at On the Border in Tyler on Sunday.

Laura Stevens of Plano visited her mother, Judy Stevens, grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Buster Case and other family and friends over the weekend.

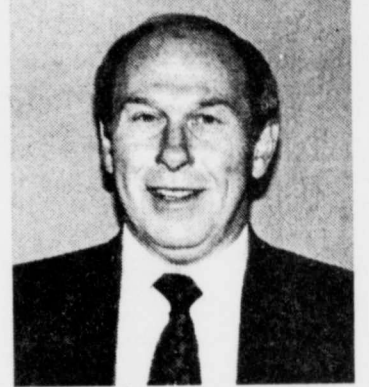
Happy September Birthday to Elliott Pogue, Morgan Wright, Mary Hall, Rhonda Brown and Karen Jones.

Jerry Jones returned home Monday from a stay at Titus County Regional Hospital. He is reported doing well.



MIKE AND STEPHANIE WRIGHT-are proud to announce the birth of their son, Layton Alan who was born September 6, 1999 at 4:29 a.m. weighing 6lbs. 9 ozs. Grandparents are Jerry and Joyce Franks of Sugar Hill, Cathy Wright and Larry Whitney of Scroggins and Bill and JoAnn Wright of Gladewater. Great grandmothers are Velma Franks of Sugar Hill and Nell Stinson of Mt. Vernon.

Comments From Your Red River County Attorney



Jack Herrington

Execution Breakdown by the Year

1982.....1	1987.....6	1992.....12	1996.....3
1984.....3	1989.....4	1993.....17	1997.....37
1985.....6	1990.....4	1994.....14	1998.....20
1986.....10	1991.....5	1995.....19	1999.....12

*Nine (9) executed offenders have donated their bodies to science.

*Youngest age of offender arriving on Death Row17

*Oldest age of offender arriving on Death Row57

*Average time spent on Death Row7.5 years

*Longest time on Death Row before execution24 years

*Shortest time on Death Row before execution8.5 months

*Average cost per day to house offenders\$59.00

*Youngest on Death Row: Randy Arroyo10-31-79

*Oldest on Death Row: William Chappell9-26-36

*Longest on Death Row (Active): Walter Bell12-09-53 (Received May 20, 1975)

Total Death Row Counts: 466 as of May, 1999

White.....	162
Black.....	189
Hispanic.....	91
Other.....	4

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Public Notices

NOTICE OF VOTE ON TAX RATE

The City of Bogata conducted a public hearing on a proposal to increase the total tax revenues of the City of Bogata by 36.31698 percent on September 13, 1999 at 7:00 p.m. The Bogata City Council is scheduled to vote on the tax rate that will result in that tax increase at a public meeting to be held on September 20, 1999 at 7:00 p.m. at Bogata City Hall, 128 North Main Street, Bogata, TX 75417. 9-16

ORDINANCE #153 REGULATING WATER AND SEWER SERVICE AND ESTABLISHING WATER AND SEWER SERVICE CHARGES, AND PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES FOR VIOLATORS WHEREAS, the City of Detroit, Texas has provided facilities for the collection and treatment of wastewater to promote the health, safety and convenience of its people, and WHEREAS, to insure the proper operation of the water and sewerage works the City shall levy fees for the use thereof and provide for the enforcement thereof.

NOW, therefore be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Detroit, Texas:

Section 1. In General
 Section 1-1: Contract for Water Service. City water and/or sewer service shall be delivered pursuant to and only upon a written contract signed by the consumer or purchaser, providing for a term of not less than one month.

Section 1-2: Application and Fee for Water and Sewer Taps
 (a) Standard Tap Fee: Each tap; Water \$200.00; Sewer \$150.00.
 (b) The fees prescribed by subsection (a) shall apply to a 5/8" x 3/4" water tap and a four (4) inch sewer tap within the right-of-way and streets of which the City is responsible for maintenance. The fee for larger water and sewer taps shall be determined by the City based on the actual cost. A deposit based on estimated construction cost will be required in advance for such larger taps.

Section 1-3: Unmetered Water Service
 The City shall not provide water service to any user or sell any water to anyone without the volume of water used by the user being properly measured by an approved type device which registers the quantity of water used.
 Section II-1: Water and Sewer Service Charges
 The cost of supplying, treating and distributing of all portable water and collecting and treating all wastewater received by the City shall be defrayed by the following users cost recovery system:
 (a) User's Charge to be paid monthly by all users;
 (b) An Excessive Strength Sewer Surcharge will be paid monthly by users whose average wastewater discharge exceeds 300 mg/BOD5 and/or suspended solids exceeds 300 mg/l. This charge is in addition to the user charge.
 (c) An Industrial Sewer Recovery Charge is to be paid annually by all industries as identified in the Standard Industrial Classification Manual, 1972, Office of Management and Budget, as amended and supplemented; provided that user exceeds 25,000 gallons on any day in the year.

Division A-Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing
 Division B-Mining
 Division D-Manufacturing
 Division E-Transportation, Communication, Electric, Gas and Sanitary Services
 Division I-Services
 This charge shall be paid in addition to the Users Sewer Charge and/or in addition to the Excessive Strength Sewer Surcharge (if applicable).
 "User's Sewer Charge"
 -This charge shall recover all annual costs incurred by the City in the operation and maintenance of its water and sewerage. These costs shall include, but are not limited to, all operational costs, maintenance costs, replacement costs of existing facilities, and annual revenue bond debt service requirements. The Sewer charge will be based on per unit of wastewater discharged by the user at a strength not to exceed 300mg/l BOD5 and 300mg/l SS.
 The charge will be composed of a minimum monthly bill with an allowable usage to be paid by all users, and a rate per unit of volume in excess of the minimum allowable. If a sewer user can furnish satisfactory evidence

that on an annual basis, in excess of twenty percent of the volume of water delivered to him is not returned to the city sewer, his unit volume of wastewater discharges shall be adjusted by the amount of said non-returned water. The burden of proof shall lie with the user.

Section II-2: Water Rates
 (a) Charges for water furnished by the City are hereby fixed at the following rates per gallon per month, for all classes of users, as registered by the user's water meter: \$15.00 for first 2,000 gallons (minimum bill); \$2.50 per 1,000 gallons over 2,000 gallons minimum.
 (b) The following minimum monthly charges for water furnished by the city, based on the size meter or tap, are hereby fixed:
 Meter or Tap Size: 5/8" (2000 gallons allowed) standard.
 Minimum Bill: \$15.00
 (c) Where a water tap is used solely for standby fire protection from an approved water sprinkler system having audible alarm, and where no water is used or consumed from such tap for purposes other than fire protection, no minimum fee shall be charged under subsection (b), nor shall water used for fire fighting be charged for.

Section II-3: Sewer Rates-For Customers Using City Water
 (a) Charges for sewer services furnished by the city to customers who are also users of city water are hereby fixed at the following rates for all classes of users, based on the water used, as registered by the users water meter:
 \$12.00 for first 2,000 gallons (minimum bill); \$1.30 per 1,000 gallons for all over the minimum bill
 (b) The charge for sewer service for a single family residence only shall not exceed \$19.25 per month, regardless of metered water consumption.
 (c) Users desiring to discharge sewerage into the city's sewerage system, the strength of which sewage exceeds 275 ppm 5 day BOD and/or 300 ppm of suspended solids, and which is acceptable under and which is acceptable under the City's Sewer Use Ordinance may do so upon written permission of the City and by paying the monthly user's charge and the excessive strength surcharge.
 (1) "Surcharge", Attachment 2. The user's surcharge shall recover the pro rata share of all the annual cost incurred by the city in the operation and maintenance of its sewerage treatment facility. These costs shall include, but are not limited to, all operational costs, maintenance costs, replacement revenue bond debt service requirements. Should the sewage treatment cost, then the cost of the sewage treatment is set and fifty percent (50%) of the total cost of operating all city sewerage facilities.
 The charge shall be based on the unit volume discharge of the user at the user's discharge strength and suspended solid content of the user's wastewater, but not less than "normal". The surcharge shall be a factor, never less than 0.0, which is to be multiplied times the operating and maintenance unit volume cost (user's charge) times the user's volume of discharge based on one of the following formulas:
 (i) separate collection and treatment cost not maintained
 Surcharge= (users charge x 50% (BOD-300+SS-300) / 300 + 300)
 (ii) separate collection and treatment cost maintained
 (Q&M/Treat.Pl) / Total Pl. Flow (BOD-300+SS-300)/V=Surcharge / 300 + 300
 where BOD is the discharge strength (not less than 300 in mg/l), SS is the discharge concentration (not less than 300 in mg/l, and V is the users wastewater pollution grants received by the city amortized over a 30 year period, without interest charges, in accordance with the following formulas:
 (EGC)V = (EGT)S5Z / IV + (EGT)A50Z / IS
 RC=C'DV x A TDS x A TDS x A where
 RC-users recovery cost in \$
 FGC-federal grants for collection system in \$
 FGT-federal grants for treatment plant in \$
 CDV=collection system design volume in MGD
 TDV=treatment plant design volume in MGD
 TDS=treatment plant design strength in pounds of BOD5+TSS A=30 years
 V=users volume MG per year
 S=users strength per year in pounds of BOD5+TSS, however, in no event will either the user's BOD5 or TSS be less than the equivalent of 300 mg/l and 300mg/l respectively.
 An example calculation is shown

in Attachment No. 2 hereto.
 The city shall retain fifty percent (50%) of the recovery charge to be used solely for expansion or reconstruction of the sewerage facilities.
 The funds may be reinvested by the city in obligations guaranteed as to principal and interest by the U.S. Government or any agency thereof (Federal Register Vol. 39, Number 29-Monday, February 11, 1974, and its amendments) so long as the interest so earned is accumulated to this fund.
 The city shall return fifty percent (50%) of the recovery charge to the U.S. Treasury on an annual basis.

Section II-4: Sewer Rates-For Customers not Using City Water
 (a) Single family residence sewerage customers, who are not also water customers of the city, shall pay a flat rate charge of \$13.00 per month for sewerage service. All other class of sewerage customers, who are not also water users of the city, shall pay a monthly rate to be determined by the city based on the user's estimated maximum contribution of wastewater to the sewerage system.
 (b) Any occupied structure within the city limits which has city and/or sewerage available to it and said service abuts upon or adjacent to said property on which the structure is located, shall pay the minimum service charges whether said structure is connected to said service or not.
 Section II-5: Computation When Meter Fails to Register
 In cases where a water meter shall fail, from any cause, to register water usage and consumption for any month or portion thereof, the city, in its discretion, shall compute the estimated actual usage and make charges for water and sewer service on the basis of an average of the metered or registered usage during the three (3) months immediately preceding.
 Section II-6: Adjustment for Water Lost or Wasted
 No deduction or adjustment of the charges made for water and sewer service shall ever be made on account of any water lost or wasted, as a result of leaks in fixtures, frozen pipes or other causes, unless such deduction or adjustment shall be directed by the City Council following a thorough and complete investigation of the circumstances surrounding such loss or waste.
 Section II-7: Deposit to Assure Payment
 (a) Each purchaser or consumer of city water and/or sewer service at the time of making application for said service, shall make a deposit with the City in the amount of \$75.00.
 (b) The charges for water service and sewer service established by this article shall be chargeable as a lien and legal charge against the deposit made pursuant to this section.
 (c) User deposits shall not bear interest.
 Section II-8: Billing: When and Where Payable
 (a) The City shall render bills for water and sewer charges prescribed by this article in monthly cycles, as may be convenient, and the monthly bills shall be due and payable at the City Hall as follows:
 (1) All bills and accounts shall be billed on the next succeeding 1st day of the month following the period for which such service was rendered, and such bills and accounts shall be due and payable on the 10th day of following month.
 (2) Accounts not paid in full when due shall be subject to a \$5.00 late charge.
 Section II-9: Discontinuance of Water and/or Sewer Service for Failure to Pay
 If any person shall fail to pay the bill for water service or for sewer service rendered to such person by the City before the expiration of ten (10) days after the date on which such bill is due and payable, the water service of such person shall be discontinued, and such services shall not again be resumed until such person shall have paid the delinquent water and sewer bill in full, including late charges, together with a reconnecting fee of \$25.00. It shall be unlawful for any person, other than a duly authorized employee of the City, to reconnect such service.
 Section II-10: Water and Sewer Rates for Customers Outside of the City Limits
 The water and sewer user charges outside the city limits of the City of Detroit shall be fixed as 125% of the rates herein.
 Section II-11: Failure to Pay
 In addition to sanctions provided for by this ordinance, the city is entitled to exercise sanctions provided for by the other ordinances of the city

for failure to pay the bill for water and sanitary sewer service when due.
 Section II-12: Severability
 If any provisions of this ordinance, or the application thereof to any person or circumstances is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the Ordinance which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end, the provisions are declared to be severable.
 Section II-13: Effective Date
 This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage, approval, recording and publication as provided by law.
 City of Detroit
 Margaret Missildine, Mayor
 9-23

PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF DETROIT
 The City of Detroit is giving notice of the City's intent to submit a loan/grant application to USDA Rural Development. The application request is \$1,204,000 for water supply and distribution improvements. The application is available for review at City Hall during regular business hours. 9-23

NOTICE OF SALE
 State of Texas
 by virtue of an order of sale
 Red River County
 September 7, 1999
 and issued pursuant to judgment decreed(s) of the District Court of Red River County, Texas, by the Clerk of said Court on said date, in the herein-after numbered and styled suits and to me directed and delivered as Sheriff of said County, I have on September 7, 1999, seized, levied upon, and will, on the first Tuesday in October, 1999, the same being the 5th day of said month, at the East Door of the Court-house of said County, in the City of Clarksville, Texas, between the hours of 10 o'clock a.m. and 4 o'clock p.m. on said day, beginning at 3:00 p.m., proceed to sell for cash to the highest bidder all the right, title and interest of the defendants in such suits in and to the following described real estate levied upon as the property of said defendants, the same lying and being situated in the County of Red River and the State of Texas, to-wit:
Suite No. 218-CV-8-91
 Talco-Bogata Consolidated Independent School District vs. Milton Tidwell, et al, 102nd Judicial District, Red River County.
 A tract of land being 0.23 acre more or less, out of the Willam Humphries Survey, Abstract 420, being a part of the Clatterbuck Addition, Town of Bogata, being more particularly described in metes and bounds in Volume 385, Page 333, Deed Records of Red River County, Texas (Act. #R24741 Talco-Bogata CISO).
 Upon the written request of said defendants or their attorney, a sufficient portion of the property described above should be sold thereof to satisfy said judgment(s), interest, penalties, and cost; any property sold should be subject to the right of redemption of the defendants or any person having an interest therein, to redeem the said property, or their interest therein, within the time and in the manner provided by law, and shall be subject to any other and further rights to which the defendants or anyone interested therein may be entitled, under the provisions of law. Said sale to be made by me to satisfy the judgments rendered in the above styled and numbered causes, together with interest, penalties and costs of suit, and the proceeds of said sales to be applied to the satisfaction thereof, and the remainder, if any, to be applied as the law directs.
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INVITATION TO BID
 The City of Bogata, Texas is accepting sealed bids on the purchase of a 1999 or newer 1/2 ton, long wheel base pickup. Said pickup shall have a "Vortec" V-6 engine with automatic transmission and air conditioning, color is to be red.
 Sealed bids are to be sent to the City of Bogata, P.O. Box 40, Bogata, Texas 75417 with attention to Wendell Davis, Public Works Director. Sealed bids will be taken for a period of two weeks from the publication of this notice, the date of September 23, 1999. Bids will be opened at the regular Council meeting held October 11, 1999. 9-23

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FOR SALE: 6" auger; grain cart; 600 John Deere high cycle. 903-652-2477. MA 9-30

FOR SALE: Twenty bred cows, sell one or all. 903-652-2477. MA 9-30

FOR SALE: Sweet potatoes, Case knives, western hats, tools. Look for Shady Deal sign on Hwy. 82 east in Detroit. MA 9-30

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Youth roping to be held at RR Fair

The Red River County Fair will present its second annual Kids Dummy Roping Contest on September 24, 1999 beginning at 7:30. The event will be held in the Red River County Fair show ring with sign-up at 6:45.

A new feature has been added this year that will allow kids 12 and under to compete in two age groups and also allow older kids to compete in the event.

Age groups include: 7 and under;

8 and 9 year olds; 10-12 year olds; and 15 and under.

Prizes this year will include "extra fancy" custom Champions Choice trophy buckles to the winner in each age group. Classic Ropes will go to the runners-up in each age group.

Birth certificates must be presented at sign-up and all rules will be posted at the contest. For more information contact Reggie Grizzle at 903-674-6835 or Tony Whittle at 903-966-2356.

Red River Healthcare Center News

Visitors at the Red River Healthcare facility this week and those visited were:

Resident, Ada Holmes-Maudie Lee, Naomi Smart and Ruth Lee.

Resident, Percy Topping-Carrine Alford, Lucille Pettit and John Topping.

Resident, Wayne Alsbrook-Sue Martin and Jean Lindsey.

Resident, Pauline Alsbrook-Sue Martin.

Resident, Inez Henson-Wanda Morgan and Richard Swarts.

Resident, Roberta Watts-Carrine Alford, Jake Potter, Gertie Choate, Mildred Allums, Teresa Alford, Shirley Allums, Jerry Allums and Lucille Pettit.

Resident, Fannie Mae Eudy-Shirley Merritt.

Resident, Elsie Hughes-Shirley Merritt.

Resident, Jimmie Duffie-Shirley Merritt.

Resident, Melvin Pointer-Daphne Pointer.

Resident, Leonard Fuller-Jimmy and Ruth, Dale, Sue, Lillian, Robby and Tim Welle and Irene Fuller.

Resident, Ann Cody-Janette

Brooks and Jerry Brooks.

Resident, Stasha Hume-Ina Ward.

Resident, J.C. Fail-Richard Swarts, Bro. and Mrs. Wilson Weed and Bertie Fields.

Resident, Jimmy Guess-Carrine Alford.

Resident, Georgia Miller-Gerald Miller.

Resident, Pauline Hutson-Jerry Hutson.

Resident, Lucy Jenkins-Jean Lindsey.

Resident, Nona Reppond- Lucille Nash, Mary Ross and Bell Nolar.

Resident, Nina Ward-Lucille Nash, Mary Ross and Bell Nolar.

Resident, Bertha Anderson-Naomi Smart.

Resident, Nina Hudson-Helen Wilkinson.

Resident-Doris Glover-Helen Wilkinson, Dale, Sue, Lillian, Robby and Tim Welle.

Resident, Vivian Fail-Bro. and Mrs. Wilson Weed and Bertie Fields.

Your visits are important to the residents at Red River Healthcare. Stop by and spent some time with a friend or relative as often as possible.

Let us "not" pray

by Nancy Brown

Organized prayer at football games and other school activities is now not permissible according to a letter my husband, who is president of the Rivercrest ISD school board, received recently from the TASB Legal Services.

TASB has long advocated school districts' ability to allow student-led, student-initiated, nonproselytizing, nonsectarian prayer at school activities. But last February, the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals held that a district policy allowing such invocations and benedictions at high school football games violated the Establishment Clause of the United States Constitution. Doe v. Santa Fe Indep. Sch. Dist., 168 F. 3d 806 (5th Cir. 1999). The court made clear that a school district violates the Establishment Clause if it allows someone to recite a prayer over the loudspeaker at a football game. It does not matter whether the person leading the prayer is a school district employee, a member of the clergy or a student. Because the Fifth Circuit Court has jurisdiction over Texas, Louisiana and Mississippi, this decision is binding on all Texas school districts. Although the decision has been appealed to the United States Supreme Court, all school districts must comply with the Fifth Circuit's ruling unless the Su-

preme Court rules otherwise.

The letter goes on to state the consequences of disregarding the court's order which could be very serious but adds that a moment of silence is acceptable as long as it is not enacted for the purpose of promoting religion. The purpose should be for student safety and good sportsmanship.

Well folks, I understand there are many religions and those who do not believe in religion but if I understood my history lessons of way back when, communism was fought in more than one war. I also understand the communist system did not include freedom of worship regardless of the type. I believe everyone has their rights, it is the American way, but when law suits are filed to stop a simple prayer which is nondenominational things have gone to far. Even though everyone may not belong to the same religion or none at all, this is about respect. If you choose not to bow your head, don't, if you choose not to listen and believe, don't, but a little respect for others who do doesn't physically or mentally hurt anyone. What is next? Taking "In God We Trust" off our money?

Encourage everyone to write their congressman, senator or even Governor, George Bush and express your opinions on this ruling.

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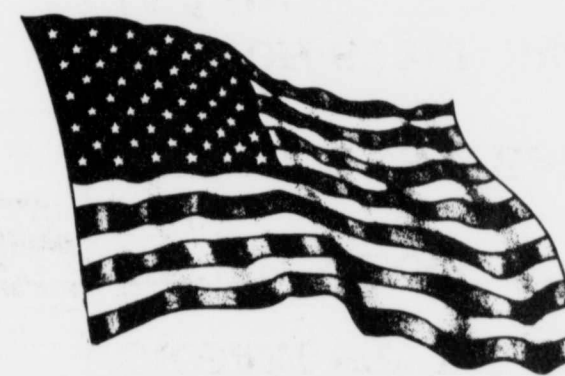
Bogata Book Club holds meeting

The first meeting after summer vacation of the Bogata Book Club was held in the Fellowship Hall of Bogata United Methodist Church. The hostesses were Miriam Stephenson and Jimmie Lou Pope.

The program was presented by guest speaker, Mrs. Renate McCoin. Mrs. McCoin was born in Germany to German parents. She was six years

old at the end of World War II. She lived with her grandmother and went to school in Russian occupied East Germany. She later married an American GI and came to the United States. The program was very informative.

After the program, new yearbooks were handed out, and refreshment were served.



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