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Where did white cloth go?

Does anyone remember white sheets? I don't quite no when they went on the endangered species list, but apparently they have.

I know that I don't use white sheets anymore. Mine are green, or yellow or flowered or striped. But I suppose I thought that the rest of the world still made white sheets.

It wasn't something I had given much thought to, since I don't buy sheets but every few years.

In the course of outfitting the rescue truck with supplies we discovered the need for cravats. Cravats have nothing to do with the silk scarves men wore around their necks during "Great Gatsby" times. They are large triangular pieces of cloth that have a multitude of uses. They can be used to split, support, sling, bind or do a world of useful things medically. Plain muslin or old white sheets work great to make them. All it requires is for the cloth not to be rotten.

So, I began to ask friends "do you have any old sheets. They don't need to be flat, I can use fitted ones, just so they are old enough to cut up".

One by one my friends looked at me and announced "WHITE sheets, I haven't seen a white sheet in years".

Thus I concluded that white sheets are passe'...gone...out...unavailable. I don't suppose it would hurt to make these cravats out of pink or blue, green or red sheets. But I know that sooner or later some big, macho guy would refuse to have his arm slung in a bright pink sling!

So, I have faced up to the fact that white sheets have joined the ranks of BetaMax video machines, eight track tapes, crushed velour upholstery and oxford shoes and paper bags.

We'll find some muslin...if we can. I understand that's pretty hard to come by to.

So add something else to the endangered species list. Or, perhaps not. It may be about time for everyone to jump on a "plain" bandwagon and discover joys of pure, pristine sheets once more!

In search of shipmates

The Texas Chapter LST/Amphibious Association is looking for all amphibious personal for reunions.

The next reunion will be held in Fort Worth, Texas April 26-27-28, 2001 at the Holiday Inn South of I-35W. Contact Bob Garner LST 461, HC 52 Box 362, Hemphill, Texas 75948 or e-mail Texas Lsts@AOL.com



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Three arrested in Pine Branch burglary

On January 12, Red River County Sheriff's Office received a report of a burglary in progress on CR1416 south of the Pine Branch community. Ryan Ballard reported the incident to the Sheriff's Office at approximately 1:30 p.m.

Deputy Grantham, along with Jerry Gordon, a Game Warden with Texas Parks & Wildlife, also responded to the call. Ballard advised Deputy Grantham, the first officer on the scene, that the vehicle that had just pulled away was the suspect's.

Deputy Grantham stopped the vehicle and identified the suspects and returned with them to the crime scene.

Several items were recovered as evidence that had been left on the trail to the cabins. Two suspects were arrested on the scene. Andrew Shawn Henderson and Allen Dewayne McDaniel were charged with burglary of a habitation.

From the investigation that followed, it was determined that a third party was hiding in the woods. He was identified as Charles William Rogers. All three suspects were from Oklahoma.

The third suspect was arrested January 13 by Chief Deputy Taylor and Deputy Powell.

Federal/State Disaster Assistance offered to RR County

Those in Red River County suffering damage during the severe winter storms that began December 12, 2000 may be eligible for Federal and State Disaster Assistance. Applications must be made over the telephone at this toll free number; 1-800-462-9029 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. 7 days a week.

Assistance that may be available includes:

- *Disaster Housing
- *Loans to repair home and replace personal property
- *Grants for serious needs not met by other programs
- *Loans for agricultural losses and losses to small businesses
- *Disaster Unemployment benefits

*Other assistance from a variety of local, state and federal agencies.

The following information will be needed from those applying:

- * Your Social Security Number
 - * Address and Zip Code of damaged property
 - * Current mailing address and telephone number
 - * Information about damages and losses suffered
 - * Household income information
 - * If insured, policy numbers or agent and company name
- Disaster recovery assistance is available without regard to race, creed, color, sex, religion, national origin or disability.



THE TALCO EMS- and Titus County EMS were called to the Talco School Tuesday morning when a student slipped and fell on the stairway coming from the Talco gym. The student was taken to Titus County Regional Hospital for further examination. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



Valentine orders being taken by Talco student groups

The Talco Junior High Student Council and Science Department are taking orders for a 5 inch plush stuffed animal with candy for \$4.00 each to be delivered on Wednesday, February 14, 2001.

Orders will be taken Monday, January 8 through Friday, January 26 at

the school. For more information you may contact Tammie Case or Leah Bull at the school, 379-3841. Send you Valentine a special surprise and help provide needed science equipment for Talco School and funds for the Student Council special events.



ROAD PAVING-This photo sent to the Talco Historical Society shows the first paved roads being put down in Talco following the oil boom. Construction workers how would you like to use this equipment today? For the era it was the best!



THE PALUXY BOWL-was the original name given to the new Talco School football field and track in 1937. This photo will be remember by many as the way the beautiful school and grounds looked many years ago. The picture is one of many sent in to the newly formed Talco Historical Society.

RYB team picture day Jan. 21

The Rivercrest Youth Basketball program will hold team picture day for all teams in both Talco and Bogata on January 21, 2001 at Rivercrest High School.

Teams have been appointed a time to have their pictures made and coaches will give each child package information. Individual pictures and a variety of packages will be offered. The first team's pictures will be taken starting at 2:00 p.m with the last team scheduled for 4:20 p.m.

Even if you do not want to purchase a team picture or package your child needs to be in the picture with his/her team. For more information contact Kathy Thompson in Bogata at 632-4591.

Farm loan apps being accepted

Applications for emergency farm loans for damages and losses caused by drought and excessive heat that occurred from January 1, 2000 and continuing in all 243 counties of, are being accepted at the Farm Service Agency in Mt. Pleasant.

243 counties are included in those in Texas recently named by Secretary of Agriculture, Dan Glickman, eligible for loans to cover part of actual production losses resulting from drought and excessive heat that occurred January 1, 2000 and continuing.

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 August 20, 2001, except Cass, Harrison and Marion, which will be July 2, 2001, but farmers should apply as soon as possible.

FSA officers are open from 8:00 to 4:30 Monday through Friday.

Editor's Quotes

Goodness is the only investment that never fails.
Thoreau

Church supper to benefit Salvation Army

To show appreciation to the Salvation Army for all their help during the recent ice storm, the Cuthand Methodist Church will be holding a stew and chili supper on February 10.

The supper will be held at the church beginning at 4:00. Price of the

meal, which includes drink and desert, will be donations to the Salvation Army.

Everyone is cordially invited to come out, enjoy good food and fellowship and donate to the cause that helps people in need.

School program to present "No Snuff"

The Cancer Education and Prevention Project will present Rick Bender's "No Snuff" program to Red River County school districts in January. Mr. Bender is an oral cancer survivor and nationally recognized youth speaker. He has devoted his life to reducing spit tobacco use among teenagers, after lengthy surgeries that left his face disfigured and caused the loss of a portion of his tongue due to years of tobacco use.

The program will be presented to Clarksville schools on Monday, January 22.

The program will be presented to Detroit High School at 1:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 23.

Cooking Rebel Style cookbooks still on sale

"Cooking Rebel Style" cookbooks are still on sale at the Talco School, Talco and Bogata Guaranty Banks.

The 300 recipe cookbook is selling from \$10 each and all proceeds will help benefit the Junior High Science Department. To purchase one contact the Talco School at 379-3841, Leah Bull or Tina Nolen.

Editor's Quotes

Joy is not in things; it is in us.
Wagner

Help us make this paper great. Please call in your visitors, story ideas, photo opportunities, feature story ideas and anything else you would like to see in the paper. Call Nancy Brown at 379-4445 or 632-5322 or Nanalee at 652-4205

Country Cooking

By Liz Irwin

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This is one of those columns that is a little "off the wall"... so to speak. Fried Dill Pickles! Whoever heard of these... not me until a few weeks ago! In Arkansas and Mississippi, they are considered quite a dish!

Well, I began my search for recipes and this is what I came up with. They are really deep-fried dill pickles and you dip them in ranch dressing or other dipping sauces!

Guess what else I found out about pickles? Pickle history began sometimes around 2030 BC, when inhabitants of Northern India brought cucumber seeds to the Tigris Valley. Soon, the cucumber vines were sprouting throughout Europe. Shortly thereafter, people learned to preserve fruits of their labor by pickling them in a salty brine. By the 17th century, the crunchy pickled cucumber had made its debut in the New World. Early colonists grew so fond of them, that in 1820, Nicholas Appert constructed the first pickle plant in America.

Did you know that America was named after the first pickle peddler... Amerigo Vespucci. He was a ships chandler, outfitting vessels scheduled for long explorations with vitamin C-packed pickled vegetables... particularly cucumbers... to prevent scurvy among the crew members.

Now in their 4,000th year, pickles are big business. They grow in more than 30 states with North Carolina and Michigan the prime pickle producers. Americans are so passionate about pickles, pickle packers everywhere continue to work hard to produce pickle products to please even the pickiest taste!

So, here we go, fry up some of these for your snack time and see how everyone likes them!

See you in the kitchen!
Fried Dill Pickles-this recipe adds Worcestershire and hot sauce to the egg-wash mixture... keep a cool drink handy!

Fried Pickles-this recipe comes from the Blue Moon Cafe in Austin, Texas and along with Worcestershire and Tabasco, they add paprika, garlic salt and poultry seasoning!

Fried Dill Pickles #2-not too much different about this recipe... maybe just a little more hot sauce!

Gaudet's Deep-fried Pickles-these are dipped in bread crumbs instead of flour!

Memphis Fried Pickles-uses self-rising flour and baking powder along with Accent, white pepper, paprika and heaven forbid... warm beer mixed with buttermilk!

To our customers,
We, the employees of Texas-New Mexico Power Company of the Bogata area have worked many ice storms and a few tornadoes in the past. We would like to take this opportunity to say "thank you". You, our neighbors and friends, who are also our customers, are unique because of the manner in which you treated our fellow TNP employees during the recent ice storm. These employees from Texas City, West Columbia and Friendswood from our Gulf Coast region, and the Lewisville Business Unit employees from the North-Central region, were constantly amazed by customers who were offering them coffee, brownies, pound cake and other things to eat and drink. Often a "thank you" was expressed by you to these men. All of these employees are not accustomed to being treated so well. Some of these men traveled many miles to come to our aid when asked and left their families during the Christmas and New Year's holiday season. Many of them were willing to stay longer. The Gulf Coast employees have worked hurricane disasters, and this was the first opportunity for many of them to work in ice and snow conditions. We heard many of the men say they were more than willing to come back anytime they were needed. Again, we commend you for just being you, and we express thanks for your cooperation, patience and the hospitality you showed our fellow employees during the recent disaster. We are proud to call you "our" customers.

Employees of Texas-New Mexico Power Company, Bogata Area
Jo' a Brooks, Kenneth Palmer, Aubrey Mayes, Berney Huddleston, James Lawson, David Anderson, Terry Jordan, Tresa Couch, Dana Neeley and Gary Petty.

Card of Thanks

Thanks to the Bogata, Rosalie, Curhand and Talco Fire Departments for your prompt response in extinguishing our pasture fire recently. It is great to know that so many are so willing to help out in your time of need. Enough thanks cannot be said to our Volunteer Fire Departments.
Duane and Martha Bryson

Card of Thanks

We would like to thank each and every one of you for your kindness and care during the illness and loss of our loved one and for the prayers, visits, cards, calls, food, flowers and donations made in memory of our Dad. Our appreciation to UMW and to all who helped in providing a delicious lunch. A special thanks to Bro. Jim Benfer and the Wood family for the beautiful service. A special thanks to Dr. Zimmerman, 5th floor nurses, Ella C. McFadden Hospice who took wonderful care of him and the family. Your kindness and love will never be forgotten. God bless you all.
The Family of E.N. Frazier

Card of Thanks

I would like to send a special thanks to Diana Ross and family for the food, love and support she showed my mother during the loss of her brother, Percy Topping. God bless you and so do we.
Nita, Lucille's daughter

Life teaches us to be less harsh with ourselves and with others.
—Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

Obituaries



Gladys Furgerson Sykes
Mrs. Gladys F. Sykes dies January 10

Mrs. Gladys Furgerson Sykes, age 85 of Bogata died Wednesday, January 10 in East Texas Medical Center in Mt. Vernon.

Graveside services were held at 2 p.m. Saturday, January 13 in Eden Cemetery near Nacogdoches under the direction of Wood Funeral Home of Bogata.

Mrs. Sykes was born October 25, 1915 in Deport, the daughter of Patrick Henry (Bud) Furgerson and Clara Bogan Furgerson, who precedes her in death, as well as five brothers, Tom, Henry, Mack, Jim and Travis; and one sister, Magdalene Furgerson Scoggins. She married Harold Alfred Sykes on August 15, 1946 in Mt. Vernon. He preceded her in death in 1987. She was a retired school teacher, teaching several years at McCrury School. She retired from Brazosport Independent School District after over 36 years of service. She was a member of the Texas Retired Teachers Association and a member of the Assembly of God Church.

She is survived by a son, Kim Sykes and his wife Karen of Garland; two grandchildren, Jason and Amber Sykes of Garland; six nieces and nephews including Billie Scoggins Lindsey, who was also her caregiver; 13 great-nieces and nephews and numerous great-great-nieces and nephews.

Card of Thanks

The family of Willie Devlin wishes to thank all of the friends and neighbors for their support during her illness. The cards, phone calls and visits were comforting for the family. A special thank you to the Deport Methodist Church for providing food to the family and to the Rev. Jim Benfer and Rev. Chief Warden. The care provided by the Paris Nursing Home and St. Joseph's Hospice Program was appreciated by the family.

Walker Devlin
Ledford Kelly
Katie Kelly
Sarah Kelley
Nieces & Nephews



Scott Edward Ward
dies January 12

Scott Edward Ward, age 37 of Bogata died Friday, January 12 in an industrial accident in Paris.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, January 16 at the First Baptist Church of Bogata with Rev. Jim Benfer, Rev. Jeff Croley and Rev. Sam Campbell officiating. Burial followed in Bogata Cemetery under the direction of Wood Funeral Home of Bogata.

Scott was born September 20, 1963 in Dallas, the son of J.C. and Janet Carrol Austin Ward. He married the former Rachel Gayle Davis on November 12, 1982 in Cooper. He was a welder with Turner International Piping Co. of Paris and a member of Deport United Methodist Church. He graduated from Rivercrest High School in 1982.

He is survived by his wife, Gayle Ward of Bogata; two sons, Zachary S. and Jeremy K. Ward, both of Bogata; his parents, J.C. and Carrol Ward of Bogata; his maternal grandmother Ailene Austin of Cummings, Georgia; one brother, Russell Ward and his wife Jim Ann of Bogata; three sisters, Tammy Lynn Erwin and her husband Tony of Mesquite, Diana Hollyfield of Plano and Sherry Ward of Garland.

Honorary bearers were members of Rivercrest High School football and basketball teams and Johnny Hodgins, Jeremy Ward, Tony Irwin and Keith Cole, Mike Burgess.

Active bearers were Stanley Jesse, Ricky Hutchins, Jeff Phifer, Russell Ward, Charles Davis, Bill Davis, Carl Mitchell and Randy Carroll.

Percy H. Topping
dies January 9

Percy H. Topping, age 89 of Bogata died Tuesday, January 9 in Red River Health Care Center in Bogata.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Thursday, January 11 at the First Baptist Church with Rev. Bob Posey and Rev. Park Robertson officiating. Burial was in Knights of Honor Cemetery in Blossom under the direction of Wood Funeral Home.

Mr. Topping was born July 3, 1911 in Millerton, Oklahoma, the son of Daniel M. and Francis C. Sanford Topping. He was a retired carpenter and member of the First Baptist Church.

He is survived by a son, Henry W. Dickerson of Sumner; a brother, Johnny Topping of Bogata; two sisters, Lucille Pettit and Corene Alford, both of Bogata; and four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Card of Thanks

The family of Leo "Red" Mathews would like to thank everyone who helped us through the time of our loss, neighbors, friends and some folks we did not know. A special thanks to the doctor and nurses at McCuiston Hospital, Fry-Gibbs Funeral Home, Morris Nelms, who officiated the service, we thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

The Family of Leo "Red" Mathews

Card of Thanks

Jerry Nell and I would like to express our sincere thanks to all who have been so kind to us during our years with Prairiland and now in our retirement. We would like to give a special thanks to the School Board, the faculty and others who have given us gifts. Thanks to all who have sent cards and kind words. The Prairiland district and the communities making up this district will always hold a dear place in our hearts and lives.

L.C. and Jerry Nell Stout

Card of Thanks

Our family would like to thank each and everyone of you for your prayers, flowers, food, visits and words of condolence during our time of sorrow at losing our loved one, Mr. Percy Topping. Special thanks to Bro. Bob Posey and Bro. Park Robertson for their words of inspiration and love to C.D. Glass and Joyce Smith for the beautiful music. A special thanks to Red River Health Care and Wood Funeral Home for their kindness and loving care at this time. Thanks to the ladies at First Baptist Church who served the food and many more things that they did for us. Words cannot express our appreciation for all of you for the concern you showed our family. Your love and kindness will never be forgotten. God bless you.

The family of John & Willie Mae Topping
Lucille Pettit and Corine Alford

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Card of Thanks

The family of Gladys Sykes would like to express their appreciation for the flowers, calls, cards and prayers and your thoughtfulness upon Gladys Sykes' homegoing.

A special thanks to Dr. M. Tobin, Red River Healthcare Center, St. Joseph's Health Center and Wood Funeral Home.

Your kindness will always be remembered.

The Family of Kim Sykes & The Family of Billie Lindsey



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Fried Dill Pickles

1 beaten egg
3-1/2 cups flour
1 cup milk
1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
6 drops hot sauce
1 teaspoon salt
3/4 teaspoon pepper
1 quart sliced dill pickles
salt
pepper
vegetable oil

Combine egg, 1 tablespoon flour, milk, Worcestershire sauce and hot sauce; stirring well. Set aside. Combine flour, salt and pepper; mix well. Dip drained pickles into milk mixture and dredge in flour mixture. Deep fry at 350 degrees until pickles float to surface. Drain. Yield 8 servings.

Fried Pickles

1 egg
1 teaspoon salt
1/3 cup milk
1/2 teaspoon black pepper
1/3 cup Worcestershire
1/3 teaspoon tabasco
2 cups flour
1/2 teaspoon paprika
1 tablespoon garlic salt
1/4 teaspoon black pepper
oil for deep frying
Klauson Whole Pickles

Whip together all ingredients for seasoned egg wash, set aside. Mix ingredients for flour mixture in a shallow dish. Slice pickles to 1/8 inch thick. Dip into flour mix, then egg wash, then flour mix again. Fry until golden brown, about 1 minute. Drain on paper towels. Serve with dipping sauce of ranch dressing, ketchup or horseradish sauce.

Fried Dill Pickles

1 egg-beaten
3-1/2 cups flour+ 1 tablespoon
1 cup milk
1 tablespoon Worcestershire sauce
6 drops hot sauce
1 teaspoon salt
3/4 teaspoon pepper
1 quart sliced pickles
salt
pepper
vegetable oil

Combine egg, 1 tablespoon flour, Worcestershire sauce and hot sauce; stir well. Set aside. Combine remaining flour, salt and pepper and mix well. Dip drained pickles into milk mixture and dredge in flour mixture. Deep fry at 350 degrees until pickles float to surface. Drain.

Gaudet's Deep-fried Pickles

1 cup sour cream
1/4 cup prepared blue cheese dressing
1 jar sliced dill pickles
oil for deep-frying
1/4 cup mayonnaise
2 tablespoons Dijon-style mustard
3 cups seasoned bread crumbs

Mix sour cream, mayonnaise, dressing and mustard together in a serving bowl. Set Aside. Dredge pickles in bread crumbs and deep-fry in oil at 350 degrees until golden. Serve with sauce for dipping.

Memphis Fried Pickles

dill pickles sliced 1/4"
1 cup flour for dipping
1 teaspoon baking powder
1 teaspoon salt
3/4 teaspoon Accent
1/4 teaspoon white pepper
1/2 teaspoon paprika
1/2 cup warm beer
1/2 cup buttermilk

Dredge pickles into flour mixture and fry in hot oil.

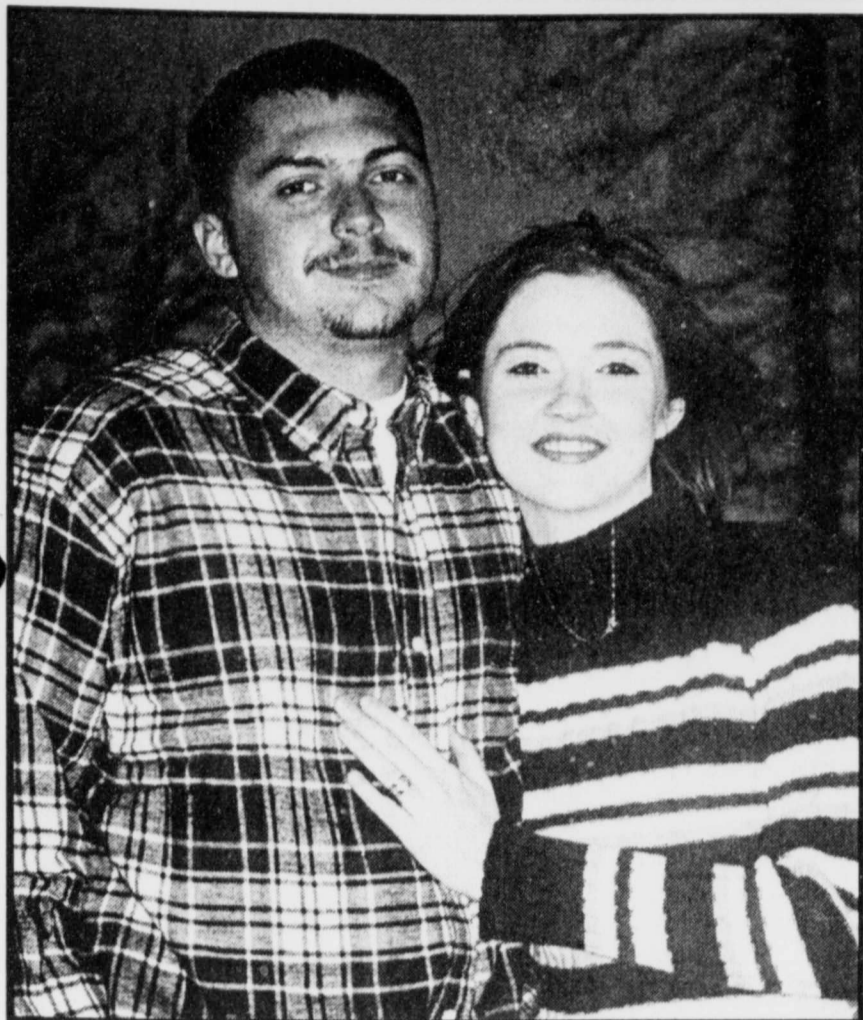
The Bogata Fire & Rescue would like to thank everyone in the Community for the wonderful meal and thanks received Monday night.
We would also like to thank everyone for the food and other donations from businesses and individuals during the recent ice storm.
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Thank you again,
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Amy Lyn Watkins and Randall Shawn Bishop

Watkins-Bishop to wed January 27

Amy Lyn Watkins and Randall Shawn Bishop will be united in marriage Saturday, January 27, 2001 at 7:00 p.m. in the Ramsour Baptist Church in Paris, Texas.

The bride-elect is the daughter of Tony and Terry Watkins of Bogata. Her grandparents are Floreice Nicholson and the late Reid Nicholson and Eva Watkins and the late Tom Watkins. She is a graduate of Rivercrest High School and is currently attending Northeast Texas Community

College in Mt. Pleasant.

The prospective groom is the son of Randy and Debbie Bishop of Mt. Pleasant. His grandparents are Ed and Ann Bishop of Mt. Pleasant, Elton Randall of Antlers, OK, and the late Bettie Randall. He is a graduate of Chapel Hill High School and is employed at Lone Star Steel.

No formal invitations will be sent. All family and friends are cordially invited to attend.



Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Hayden Freeman

Wooldridge-Freeman united in marriage

Amy Denese Wooldridge and Douglas Hayden Freeman were united in marriage Saturday, July 29, 2000 at memorial Church of Christ in Houston, Texas. Minister Nick Hamilton performed the 2 o'clock ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Tom and Terrie Wooldridge of Yukon, Ok. Her grandparents are Hersell and Virginia Cox and Obed and Betty Wooldridge of Snyder. She is a graduate of Yukon High School and Oklahoma Christian University. She is employed as a kindergarten teacher at Northland Christian School in Houston.

The groom is the son of Don and June Freeman of Mesquite, formerly of Mt. Pleasant. He is the grandson of Maxine Topping and the late Raymond Damron of Bogata and Mrs. A.C. Jones of Grapevine, formerly of Mt. Pleasant. He graduated from Mt. Pleasant High School and the University of Oklahoma with a BS/MS. He is a geophysicist with Exxon/Mobil in Houston.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore an elegant gown by

Alfred Angelo of ivory bridal satin with a portrait neckline and basque waist, ballgown skirt and cathedral length train. The bodice was enhanced with rice and seed pearls and sequins. The skirt and train featured cutwork lace and tiny self-covered buttons extending the full length of the back. To complete her ensemble, the bride wore an elbow length veil with ribbon edging flowing from a beaded comb. Her bouquet was white roses, freesia and miniature white irises.

Maid of honor was April Wooldridge, sister of the bride. Deby Hawkins, long time friend of the bride, was matron of honor. Rachel Harris, student of the bride, was flower girl and Evan Laman, also student of the bride was ring bearer. Kevin Krenik served as best man and groomsmen was Alvin Barber. Soloists at the ceremony were Carla Wells, Wes Hanson, April Wooldridge, Terri Wooldridge, Amy Wooldridge, Stephanie Ward and Mike Sheaffer.

Following a wedding trip to New Orleans, the couple are residing in Spring, Texas.

Heaven is under our feet as well as over our heads.
—Henry David Thoreau

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Bogata Book Club meets Jan. 11

The Bogata Book Club met January 11, 2001 at the Bogata Methodist Church Fellowship Hall for the monthly meeting.

Juanita Sparks led the collect and Mary Kathryn Cotten led the pledge to the flags. Roll call was "My favorite quilt patterns".

Michelle Dixon reviewed the book,

"Quilter's Apprentice" by Jennifer Chiaverini. Ms. Chiaverini has also written "Round Robin". Michelle displayed pictures of the quilts mentioned in the book.

The hostesses, Mary Ann Williams, and Joyce Smith served refreshments to eleven members. The next meeting will be held February 8, 2001.

Bogata Methodist women meet

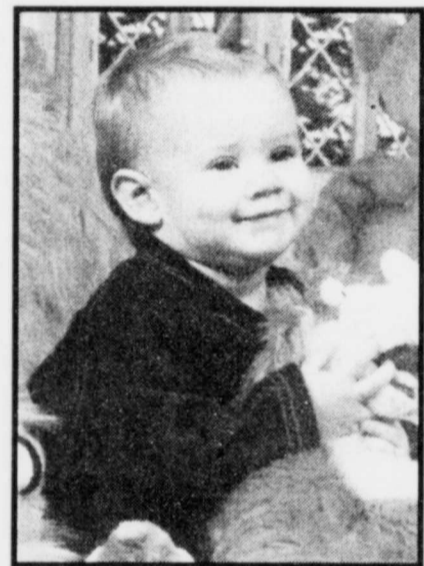
The Bogata Methodist Women met Wednesday, January 10, 2001 in the Fellowship Hall. Gertie Choate opened the meeting with a prayer. Jimmie Lou Pope, Program Leader, read two stories from the "Small Miracles" book series written by Yetta Halberstam and Judith Leventhal. This collection of stories, which tell of miracles that happen in everyday life situations, are moving, heart-warming and inspirational. They often contain profound teachings, important moral lessons and divine messages.

Mary Kathryn Cotten presided at the business session. The Bogata Fire Department and First Responders will be given a check for \$500 from the organization. This is given in appreciation for the fine work they are doing for the community, which the ladies fully support. The meeting closed with dismissal prayer. Attending were; Roberta Anderson, Gertie Choate, Mary Kathryn Cotten, Dorothy Gill, Gale Hervey, Margie Myers, Jimmie Lou Pope, Bess Ruthardt, Edith Ruth Swaim and Virginia O'Donnell.

Denison named to Dean's List

Bogata resident Drue Denison, a graduate of Rivercrest High School and son of John and Larann Denison, has been named to the Austin College Dean's List for the 2000 Fall Semester.

All students named to the Dean's List earned a semester grade point average of at least 3.71 on a 4.0 scale and are ranked in the top 20% of the student body.



Hollie Marie Greer

HOLLIE MARIE GREER was honored on her first birthday on Sunday evening, December 3, 2000 with a hamburger supper at the home of Kelley, Deana and Paige Boyd. Hosting "Bear in the Big Blue House" theme were her parents Clint and Sharon Greer. The decorated tables, banners and balloons carried out the "Bear" theme motif. Guests enjoyed wearing party hats and blowing horns. Lily Grace Gibson, two year of age sang a special happy birthday song to the honoree. Guest attending were grandparents; L.B. and Peggy Bryant and Justin and Jane Strawn; brother, Aaron Greer; Aunts and Uncles, Deana and Kelley Boyd, Jeff and Carolyn Gibson and Melanie Strawn; Cousins attending were Paige Boyd, Matthew Greer, Chase Greer and Lily Gibson. Unable to attend but sending congratulations and best wishes were great grandparents, Chris and Maudine Beaton; great Aunt, Irene Bryant; Carolyn Nicholson "Gra-Gee", Ryan and Rhett Cody and special friend, Ollie Ruth Robinson.

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From Earl and Rena Hale to Terri Hale and Ruth Weir

It never yet did hurt to lay down
likelihoods and forms of hope.
—William Shakespeare,
Henry IV, Part 2



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*Meeting time is 2nd and 4th Monday night at 7:00 p.m.
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A graduate of Paris High, Dr. Cannon received his undergraduate degree from Abilene Christian University, and earned his doctor of osteopathic medicine degree, from the University of Health Sciences-College of Osteopathic Medicine, Kansas City, MO. He completed his internship at the University of North Texas Health Science Center, Fort Worth, and residency at Texas A&M Health Science Center, Scott & White Memorial Hospital, Temple. Dr. Cannon is board certified by the American Board of Family Practice. He and his wife, Laura have one son, Jonathon.



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Friday & Saturday 10 a.m. until 9 p.m.
Sunday 2 p.m. until 7 p.m.

Bogata Locals

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. M.A. Anderson during the weekend were Paul, Kim and Quinton Anderson.

Thursday Carrol Ray Stringfellow of Pottsboro stopped by for a short visit with his aunt, Dixie Stringfellow. Others visiting with Dixie during the week were Vicki Tabb, Dee and Maggie Richardson, Felina and Jerica White, Kathy, Kaley and Kellen Stringfellow.

Jennifer and Riley Reeder spent the Christmas holidays with Jerry and Gerlyn Gray and Margaret Davis. She returned to Dallas the day after Christmas and Riley stayed to visit until January 1. They both returned home January 2.

Sympathy is extended to the families of Percy Topping and Scott Ward.

Monday Vicki Tabb, Dee and Maggie Richardson, Tana Guest and Dixie Stringfellow visited with Suzann Tabb at her home in Waxahachie. Also joining them for lunch was Suzann's mother, Bobbie Holland and friend, Judi Maddux and Dana Holland. In the afternoon, after shopping in Waxahachie, Vicki, Dee, Maggie, Tana, Dixie and Suzann accompanied Judi to her home in DeSoto for a short visit.

Jody Gray spent the holidays at home with his family, Jackie, Linda and Marty Gray.

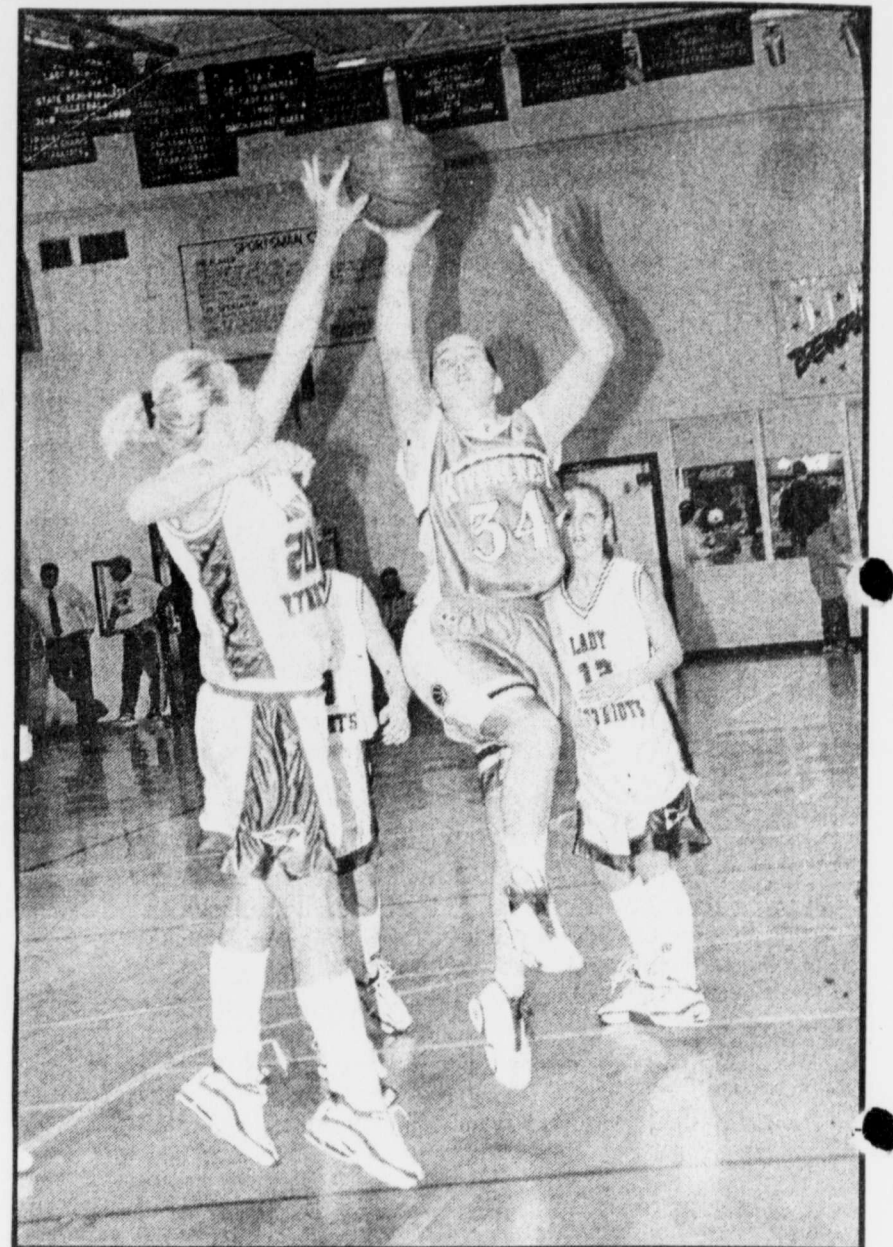
Christmas Day Jackie, Linda, Marty and Jody Gray, Jerry and Gerlyn Gray, Jessica, Danny and Marli Hines, Jennifer and Riley Reeder, Harold, Judy, Heather and Heath Holt, Margaret Davis and Willie Gray enjoyed dinner with Jessie and Willie Mae Gray.

Vicki Tabb and Dixie Stringfellow visited Thursday with Joe and Misty Stringfellow and boys at their new home in Paris.

Willie Mae Gray is reported still improving from heart surgery at home. She received a good report from her heart surgeon January 4 and will be in Tyler January 16 to see her cardiologist. Her sons, Jerry and Jackie will take her for her appointment.

Danny, Jessica and Marli Hines, Harold, Judy, Heather and Heath Holt spent the week between Christmas and New Years with Jerry and Gerlyn Gray and Margaret Davis. It was like one great big reenactment of "The Walton's". The four cousins had a wonderful time together and the adults relaxed and experienced what it use to be like for 4 generations to live under one roof. All voted against continuing the compact living arrangements as soon as the electricity came on again!

Sean Hood Scott, son of Britt and Jackie Scot of Burleson, recently graduated from Texas Christian University in Ft. Worth, receiving his Bachelor's Degree in History and Master's Degree in Secondary Education. He has recently accepted a high school teaching position with the Eastern Hills High School in Ft. Worth, teaching World History and also as the head baseball coach. Sean is the grandson of Vivian Hood and the late Jack Hood of Detroit, and M. Bee and Audrey Scott of Burleson (formerly of Fulbright and Deport).



HEADED FOR THE LAY-UP- Lady Rebel #34, Kim Ross is on her way to the hoop as the Lady Rebs met the Lady Pats of Prairiland Tuesday night at Prairiland. The Lady Rebs were victorious and at press time were sitting in the 1st place spot in the district race thus far this season. Kim is the daughter of Richard and Kay Ross of Bogata. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

"Let's Talk About Sex" to air Jan. 23

"Let's Talk About Sex", a project of the SAVE (Sexual Abstinence/Values Education) Student Advisory Board, is scheduled to air live on Cox Cable Channel 2 on Tuesday, January 23 at 6:30 p.m. The 30-minute TV program has a call-in/panel format, including a host, doctor and members of the Project SAVE Student Advisory Board. The question hotline number is 784-7500.

Hosting the show is Jonathan Perry, a student at Paris Junior College. Janna Massar, M.D., an internal medicine specialist with Primary Care Associates, will provide the medical expertise. Kimberly Hulsey, a senior at Chisum High School, and Stephen Sparks, a sophomore at North Lamar High School, will offer student advice to call in questions as well as those from a studio audience.

Cox Cable Manager Tim Masters again offered the use of the Cox Cable facilities to Project SAVE, citing the success of Sex-the Full Monty, and last April's "Let's Talk About Sex" programs, which aired live, answering phone in as well as

studio questions regarding teen pregnancy, sexually transmitted diseases and risky sexual behavior, are problems that secured grant funding for the Coalition of Education, Business and Industry program.

SAVE Student Advisory Board Sponsor and Technical Advisor Jennifer Bryant said, "It was obvious from the call in response to last year's show that the board needed to do another show giving students an opportunity to ask questions that they are reluctant to ask parents and teachers. The anonymity of call in questions enables them to perhaps get answers they need to seek help in the areas of risky sexual behavior."

SAVE advisory board members feel having teens on the panel, teens talking to teens, is a more effective way to provide students information on STD's and the longterm results of teen pregnancy.

The board is now meeting weekly instead of monthly. Students interested in serving on the board may call 737-0484 for more information.

Women's Ministry travels to Marshall

Fifteen members of the Cuthand Methodist Women's Ministry traveled to Marshall on December 2, and enjoyed shopping at Marshall Pottery, going out to eat, watching a lighted parade in the beautifully lit downtown Marshall area and driving through neighborhoods to see the homes decorated for the holiday season. Those attending were Marla Ballard, Doris Belcher, Joyce Bivins, Kay Brooks, Wootie Harville, Nina Jo Holt, Donna Jessee and Reese, Gerri Knowles, Kristi Purviance, Stephanie Purviance, Kay Sheffield, Donna Stewart, Jean and Micah Upchurch and Sherrie Williams.

The group meets once a month to enjoy fellowship among Christian ladies. Everyone is invited to join them.

Setting an example is not the main means of influencing another, it is the only means.
 —Albert Einstein



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Veterans center assists storm victims

Sam Rayburn Memorial Veterans Center in Bonham has been providing care for the families who were stricken during the recent ice storm.

According to federal law, U.S. Government facilities may assist local communities in emergency situations. SRMVC, a facility of VA North Texas Health Care System, opened its doors to families who were without electricity, heat or water.

Assistance was also provided to five veterans who were oxygen-dependent but had no electricity at their homes as well as five U.S. Forest Service employees who needed shelter while removing trees blocking

roads throughout the county.

SRMVC briefly lost electrical power. Emergency generators were activated, avoiding serious problems. In addition to those stranded by the storm, some SRMVC employees stayed overnight rather than risk traveling home. Approximately 35 people were provided food and shelter for several days. Dairy Fresh, a local company, donated milk and orange juice.

SRMVC continued to provide care for approximately 200 domiciliary and 125 long term care patients as well as approximately 100 outpatients.

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Bluejays win season opener

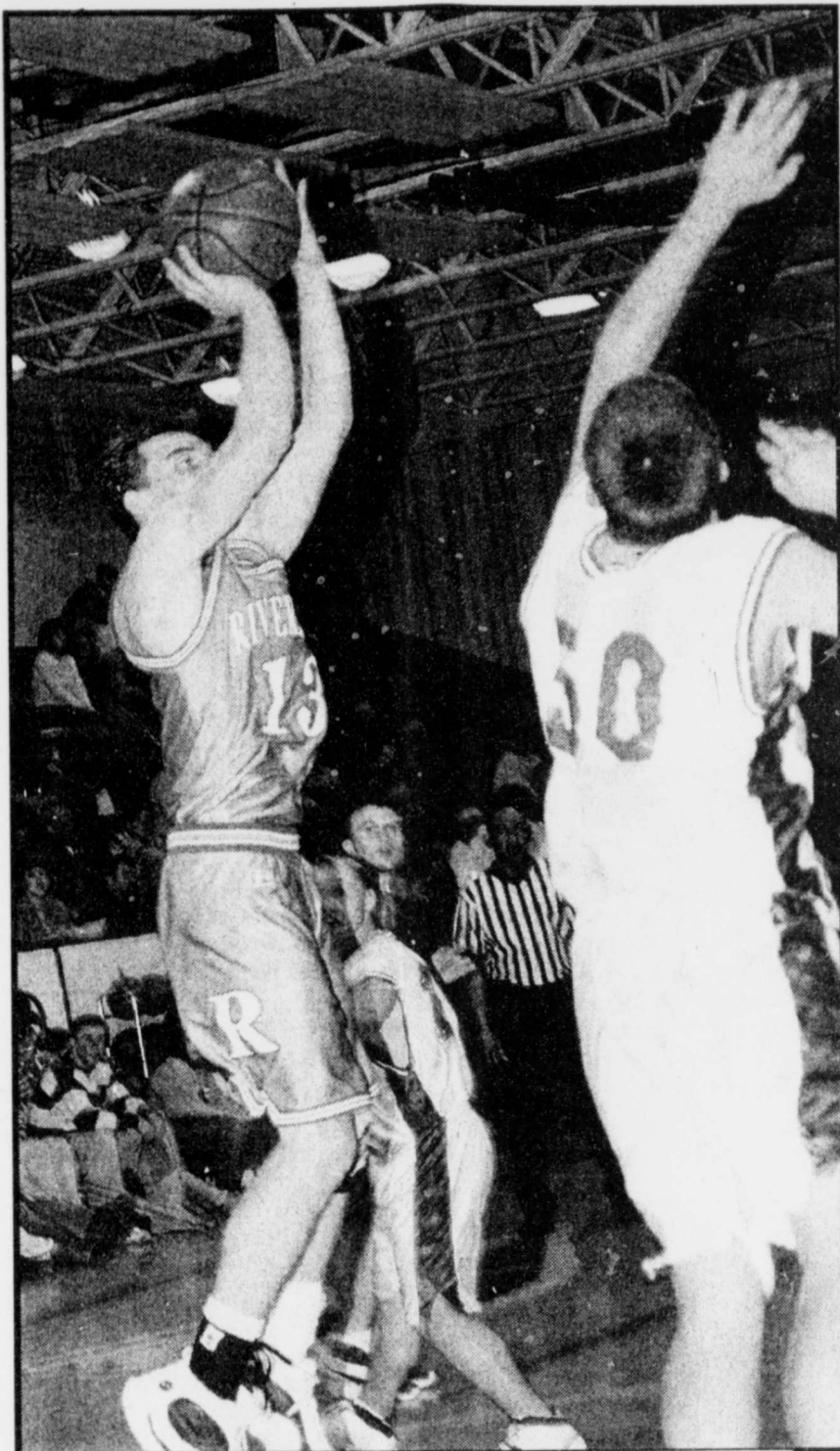
The Talco Bluejays (girls 5th and 6th grade) Rivercrest Youth Basketball team opened the season against the Mighty Ducks of Bogata at the Bogata gym Saturday, January 13, 2001. The first tip of the ball went to the Mighty Ducks who immediately scored off a shot from Kirby Needham. But, the Jays came around and led the Ducks after one quarter 6-2. Megan Savage and Danica Easterling had scored. In the 2nd the Jays held the Ducks scoreless while adding 2 points to their own score off a field goal from Savage. Alex Wright and Susan Smith did a great job on the defense and Rachel Smith made steals for the Jays. Score 8-2 Bluejays at the half.

In the 3rd quarter, Danica Easterling went to the hoop for 4 points to keep the Jays in the lead. Needham again scored for the Ducks. Score 12-4. In the final quarter Lillian Baird

and Needham scored for the Ducks and Susan Smith added 2 for the Jays to take the win 14-8.

Both teams played hard and the Bluejays who have only 5 players were near exhaustion. Danica Easterling was high point player for the team with 8 points. Kirby Needham took the high point honors for the Mighty Ducks. The Mighty Ducks are coached by Tammy Duck. The Bluejays are coached by Nancy Brown and Carol Laing.

The Rivercrest Youth Basketball teams from 1st grade through 6th grade will be playing weekly at the Talco and Bogata gyms on Saturdays. Everyone is encouraged to come out and support the teams as they play and learn basketball. All coaches and parents are urged to turn in their scores and write-ups to the Talco Times and Bogata News for full coverage of the season.



CHASE COLLINS-# 13 is up for the jump shot as the Rebels met the Patriots at Prairiland last Tuesday. The Rebels were victorious and hold 1st place in the district thus far this season. Chase is the son of Ronald and Linda Collins of Sugar Hill. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Talco Locals

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

Carol Laing and Bill Newman spent Thursday through Sunday in Galveston where Carol's granddaughter, Hanna Abshier underwent surgery. She is reported doing well. Hanna is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Josh Abshier.

Laura Cochran's new arrival baby boy was transferred to Children's Hospital in Dallas following birth last week. The baby is reported improving.

Enjoying Sunday lunch at the home of Jesse and Frankie Brown were Randy, Mona and R.C. Pitts and Gary Pitts.

Happy January to Josh Smith, Jamie Swarts.

Visiting Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Brown were their children and grandson, Jack and Jennifer Brown of Paris and Kim and Quinton Anderson.

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New Arrivals

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HAVE A NICE WEEK-END

Talco-Bogata-RHS school menu

January 22-26

Monday

Breakfast
Cinnamon rolls
graham crackers w/peanut butter
juice & milk

Lunch

Pizza

corn

salad

crackers

dessert

milk

Tuesday

Breakfast

Cheese toast

juice & milk

Lunch

Chicken rings (nuggets)

cream potatoes w/gravy

green beans

rolls

milk

Wednesday

Breakfast

Sausage biscuit

jelly & butter

juice & milk

Lunch

Corn chip pie

ranch style beans

salad

crackers

dessert

milk

Thursday

Breakfast

Waffles w/syrup

juice & milk

Lunch

Chicken spaghetti

peas

corn

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Friday

Breakfast

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Lunch

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Many churches have already initiated plans for their public worship services to include: Women waiting of the Lord's table; Women song leaders; women leading prayers; and even women preachers. When confronted with the fact that the Bible expressly prohibits women assuming such roles they answer that the Bible was written in compliance with the customs of its times. According to them, in Bible times, women were not allowed to do much today, it's okay to have women taking roles of leadership in worship and work of the church.

"Who said so?" Did you know that in Bible times, the pagans had female deities? One among the Babylonians, Ashtoreth, stood on an equal footing with male divinities. "The chief seat of the worship of Istar in Babylonia was Erech, where prostitution was practiced in her name, and she was served with immortal rites by bands of men and women. In Assyria...prophetesses were attached to her temples to whom she delivered oracles." (I.S.B.E., Vol. 1, P. 271).

In Ephesus, there was the Temple of Diana, where the priestesses were divided into three different classes with each class having its own special duties. Corinth had a temple with over 1,000 priestesses. In an article on "Woman", the I.S.B.E. (Vol. 5, P. 3101) says: "That she everywhere participated freely in the religious rites and customs of her people is evident from the fact that women were often priestesses, and were often deified."

No, it was the custom of women in Bible times to take an active role in leadership and service in pagan religions. contrary to the customs of the times, the Bible says: "Let your women keep silence in the churches; for it is not permitted unto them to speak; but they are commanded to be under obedience, as also saith the law. And if then will learn anything, let them ask their husbands at home; for it is a shame for women to speak in the church." 1 Cor. 14:34-35. "I will therefore that men pray everywhere, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting. Let the women learn in silence with all subjection. But I suffer not any woman to teach, nor usurp authority over the men, but to be in silence." 1 Tim. 2:87, 11-12.

"By the way, did you know that woman's role is grounded in creation itself (1 Tim. 2:13; 1 Cor. 11:8-9)? This is not a mere cultural matter.

The Church of Christ in Talco invites you to attend services: Sunday Bible class 9:45 a.m., worship hour 10:45; evening worship 6:00 p.m.; Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m.

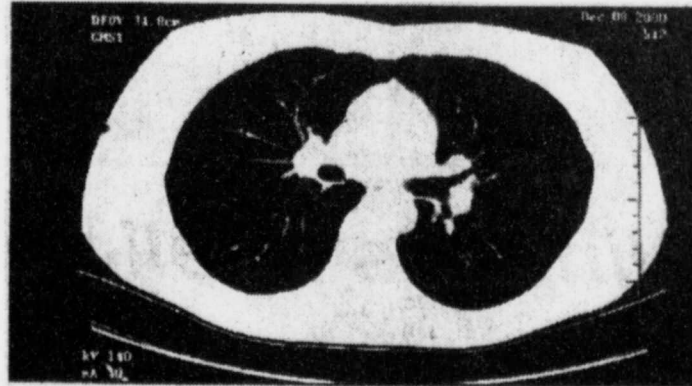
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Rivercrest takes 3 wins over Paul Pewitt

Friday night, January 12, 2001 the Rebel JV, Varsity and Lady Rebel Varsity hosted Paul Pewitt.

The JV Rebels penned the Brahmas taking over a 20 point win in the first game of the evening.

The Lady Rebels and Lady Brahmas played the second game and after one quarter the Lady Rebels led 27-12. Kim Ross hit 3 treys and field goals came from Kim Shirley, Cheryl Griffin, Rachel Case and Erica Williams. In the second quarter, Ross hit 2 more 3 pointer's while Griffin, Shirley and Williams added field goals and free shots. Half time score 45-27 Lady Rebels.

The final quarters were all Lady Rebel. Every member got playing time as they won their 5th district game 78-55 for a record of 5 wins and 1 loss. Ross, Shirley and Williams were in double digits for the team and

also scoring were Griffin, Case, Jennifer Hays and Brittany Bull.

If reports are correct, the Lady Rebels are tied for 1st place in the district with this win. They will begin their second go-round of district play Tuesday, January 16 at Rivercrest vs Hughes Springs.

The Brahmas may rule in football but the Rebels rule on the court. The first tip of the varsity boys game was taken by Rivercrest but Paul Pewitt was the first team to score. After a slow first quarter the Rebs were up 19-6. The pace picked up in the second and the Rebels held a 40-16 lead at the half. Treys had come from Chase Collins, Keith Hines and Kyle Stansell.

The Rebels came out tough in the third quarter. Michael Galloway hit 4

treys, Stansell added one, Collins and Hines tossed in field goals for a score of 61-23. As in the Lady Rebels game the entire Rebel team got playing time. Galloway hit another trey in the final quarter for a total of 5 three pointer's for the night and the starting 5 players cheered their teammates on from the bench encouraging more scores. Final 79-39 Rebels!!

The win holds the Rebels undefeated standing in district play. High scorer for the evening was Michael Galloway. Also scoring were; Keith Hines, Chase Collins, Kyle Stansell, Kerry Posey, Steve Shade, Clinton Cheatwood, Myron Ellis and C.A. Middleton. High scorer for the Brahmas was Kenneth Johnson, a former Talco student and Rivercrest Rebel.

Rivercrest High School Third Six Week Honor Roll

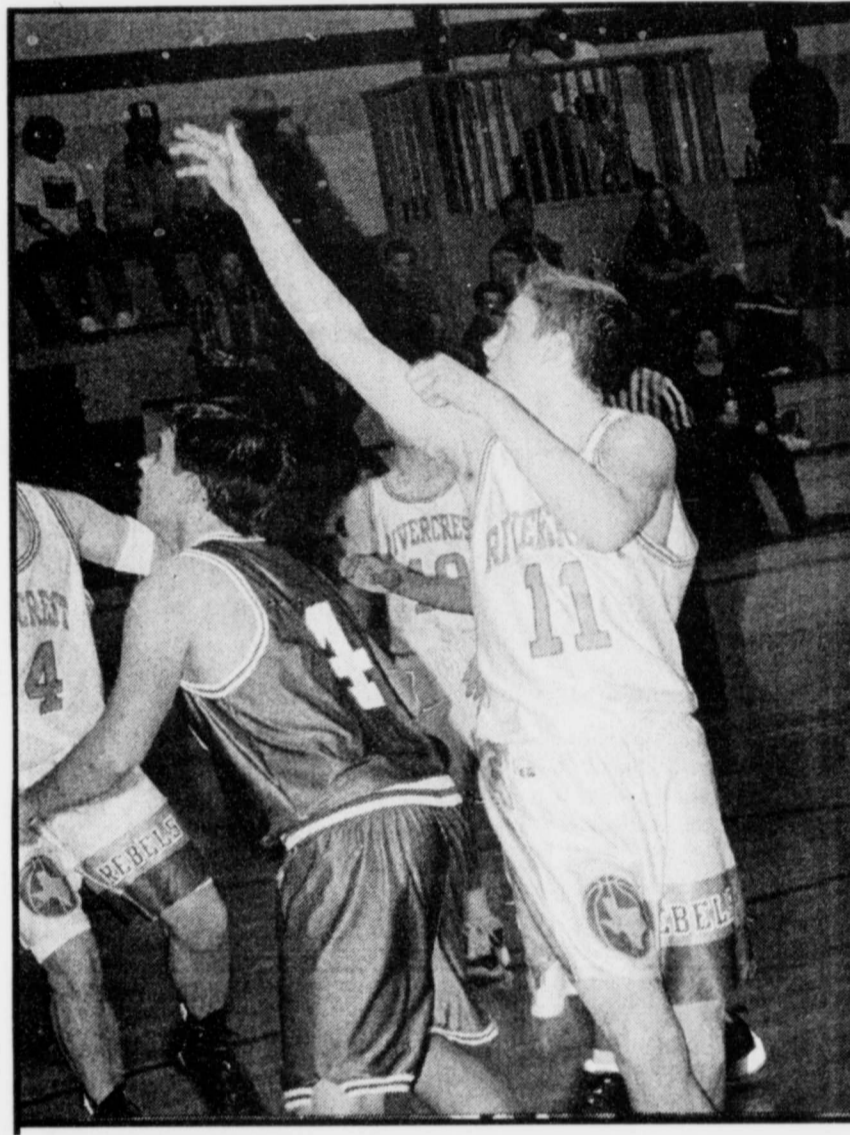
Students making the honor roll for the 3rd Six Weeks at Rivercrest are as follows:

Freshman: Tiffany Cooksey, Candace Davis, Chassity Hale, Kyla Harville and Jamie Wilson.

Sophomore: Ashley Beers, Beckie Belcher, Michelle Bryant, Tim Carder, Tina Carder, Stephanie Carroll, Rachel Case, Danielle Easterling, Alison Foster, Molly Hare, Lacy Harper, Alysa Hildebrand, Megan Horn, Ashle Kuhle, Dayna Mauldin, Jessica Rose, Nikki Jones Shaftner, Misti Simmons, Krystal Valenzuela, Ashley White, Erica Williams and Shari Wisinger.

Junior: Kayla Belcher, Brittany Bull, Nathan Carroll, Brandon Davis, Charla Hines, Robyn Hollis, April Lester, Mollie Moles, Cassie Perry, Kenneth Posey, Steven Shade, Kessa Smith, Kendall Stansell, Chris Sykes, Dusty Townes, Misti Tucker, Melissa Waller, Jerry Ward and Ashley Williams.

Senior: Jamie Andrews, Clinton Cheatwood, Chase Collins, Kasey Crawford, Jamie Daniels, Myron Ellis, Kim Exum, Michael Galloway, Jennifer Hays, Sara Hollands, Shelly Hollis, Mark Jackson, Joy Madden, Kara Palmer, Eric Posey, Kerry Posey, Kim Shirley, Rebecca Stewart and Bre'Ann Stroud.



OFF KILTER-Rebel JV player, Calan Wilcox get his shot off even though he was a bit off kilter as the team played Chisum Friday night at RHS. The Rebels won the contest 61-23. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Public Notices

**CITY OF BLOSSOM
PUBLIC NOTICE OF ADOPTED
ORDINANCE**
Ordinance No. 01-005

An Ordinance of the City of Blossom, Lamar County, Texas, regulating dogs within the city limits of Blossom; adopting sections of Chapter 822, Texas Health and Safety Code, pertaining to dangerous dogs; providing enforcement of this Ordinance; providing for penalties for violation of this Ordinance; providing for suppression clause; providing for severability clause; and providing for emergency clause to enable this ordinance to take effect upon its passage, the public welfare requiring such.

Whereas, the City Council of Blossom, Texas, meeting in duly posted public session, has determined that the excessive number of dogs running at large and the reports of dogs attacking animals and threatening individuals have become a major threat to the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Blossom; and

Whereas, the City Council, subsequent to duly published and posted Public Notice of same, has held a Public Hearing on the proposed Ordinance, and deem it prudent and necessary to establish rules and regulations controlling dogs within the City of Blossom;

Therefore Be It Ordained that the following rules and regulations are hereby adopted:

Administration
The City Administrator, or any other employee of the City of Blossom, so designated, is hereby assigned the responsibility and authority to administer this Ordinance. Pursuant to Section 22.042, Local Government Code, the Mayor shall ensure that this Ordinance is properly carried out.

A. Except in circumstances wherein dangerous animals are involved, and/or where dog(s) are deemed to be an immediate threat or danger to any person or animal, the City Administrator, or any other authorized designee, shall seek an administrative remedy to correct alleged violations by methods indicated below:

1. After having received written complaint(s) of alleged violation(s), an administrative notice shall be forwarded, by certified mail return receipt requested, to the alleged owner of dog(s) and/or the owner of property on which dog(s) are kept.

2. It shall be stated in above notice that the alleged owner of dog(s) and/or property owner has ten (10) days from date of notice to correct alleged violation.

3. If the City receives no reply or satisfactory corrective action, as a result of the administrative notice, the City Administrator, or any other authorized designee, shall initiate appropriate action as defined in Section X, "Penalty and Enforcement."

Regulation of Dogs that are a Danger to Persons or Animals
Sections 822.033, 822.034, and Section 822.035, Chapter 822, and Subchapter D, Chapter 822, Regulation of Animals, "Texas Health and Safety Code", are hereby adopted by reference, as though fully copied herein, as the rules and regulations governing dangerous dogs that are a threat to animals and persons. Above referenced sections of Chapter 822, "Texas Health and Safety Code" are attached hereto as Exhibit A.

Regulation of all Dogs within the City Limits of Blossom
Notwithstanding regulations established in Section II, above, regulating dangerous dogs, the following rules and regulations are hereby adopted governing all dogs within the city limits of Blossom:

A. Confinement of dogs: Every person owning, keeping or raising any dog(s) shall confine such animal(s) to the premises of the dog owner or person keeping same. The dog(s) shall be confined by a secure fence or wall, capable of preventing the entry of the general public, including children, and capable of preventing the release or escape of the dog(s).

1. If not confined by secure enclosure, as defined above, the dog(s) must be restrained by a secure leash, rope or tether

in the hands of the owner or responsible person controlling such dog(s):

2. The regular confinement of dog(s) by chain, rope, leash, or tether in lieu of a secure confinement by fence or wall, is not an acceptable method of confinement of dog(s) and does not provide for compliance with this Ordinance.

3. Persons who are owning, keeping, or raising any dog(s) within the City of Blossom on premises not owned by said person shall be required to provide to the City of Blossom written permission from the owner of the property for said dog owner to keep dog(s) on such property. Written permission by the property owner shall include the number of dogs, individual description of animals, and proof of a current rabies vaccination on each. Property owners on whose premises the dog(s) are being kept shall be responsible to assure that no regulation within this Ordinance is violated.

B. Required Rabies Vaccination: All dogs kept within the city limits shall be immunized annually against rabies by means of an anti-rabies vaccine approved and administered by a duly licensed veterinarian. Every veterinarian who vaccinates any dog shall issue a certificate of vaccination to the owner, stating the name of the owner, the address of the owner, a description of the dog, the date of the vaccination, the number of the rabies vaccination tag, and the kind of vaccine used. Upon vaccinating each dog, the veterinarian shall furnish the owner of such animal(s) a metal tag on one side of which is stamped the words "Rabies Vaccine Administered" or similar phrase, and the vaccination tag number and the date of the vaccination, which tag at all times shall be securely attached to the collar around that neck of the animal(s) or harness around the neck and body of the animal(s). Dog owners shall provide to the Blossom City Clerk a copy of above rabies vaccination certificate and copy of subsequent annual renewal of same.

Kennel License
Every person owning, keeping or raising dogs in the City of Blossom in excess of three (3) dogs over six (6) months old on one property, shall be required to apply for, and secure a Kennel License from the City of Blossom.

A. In order to secure a Kennel License, a positive inspection from the Texas Department of Health shall be presented to the City, supporting the application. The Kennel License shall be renewed annually along with a renewed positive inspection from the Texas Department of Health.

B. If the person applying for a Kennel License is not the owner of the property on which the dogs are being kept, the owner of the property shall give written permission to the City of Blossom, before the City shall consider approval of a Kennel License.

C. Persons owning, keeping or raising dogs totaling six (6) or less, each dog having been neutered, is exempt from the requirement of Kennel License.

D. Fees for Kennel License shall be assessed at \$100.00 per license or renewal of same.

Abandonment of Dogs
It shall be a violation of this Ordinance for any person or persons to abandon any dog(s) within the city limits of Blossom or within its extraterritorial jurisdiction.

Penalty and Enforcement
A. In addition to penalties and enforcement clauses stated within Sections of Chapter 822, "Health and Safety Code", adopted by this Ordinance; any person, dog owner and/or property owner who violates any section or clause of this Ordinance shall be guilty of a Class C Misdemeanor, and, at the minimum, shall be subject to a fine of up to Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) plus court costs. Each dog or dog owner subject to this Ordinance and each day of any violation shall constitute a separate offense.

B. Pursuant to Section 22.042, Chapter 22, Local Government Code, the Mayor of the City of Blossom, or his designee, shall be authorized to request

the Lamar County Sheriff or any authorized law enforcement officer to assist with enforcement of, or compliance with this Ordinance or Section thereof.

1. As authorized in the "Inter-local Cooperative Agreement for Patrol Services between the City of Blossom, Texas, and Lamar County", the City may request the Lamar County Sheriff to serve appropriate citations of alleged violations of this ordinance.

2. The City may request the Lamar County Sheriff and/or any other law enforcement or animal control officer to assist with legal and acceptable methods of impoundment and/or destruction of animals running at large which are considered an immediate threat or danger to any animal or person.

C. When residents or property owners allow dogs to run loose in the vicinity of the utility easement, where water meters are located, and when such loose animals do not have proper identification of rabies vaccination or such proof on file with the City, such animals may be a health and safety threat to City employees or contractors required to read City water meters. If such health and safety threat is not alleviated after proper notification, as detailed in Section 1, the City may curtail water or other City utility e health and safety of City employees and/or contractors.

D. In addition to enforcement actions detailed above, the Mayor is authorized to order any other legal emergency actions or methods necessary to protect the immediate safety of any person(s) or animal(s).

Ordinance in Immediate Effect/Emergency Clause
In order to protect the public safety, and general welfare of its citizens, the governing body of Blossom, Texas, hereby declares that this Ordinance shall take effect immediately, and shall be in force from and after its passage.

Passed and Adopted by the City Council of the City of Blossom, Texas, convened in public session in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, 1240 W. Front Street, Blossom, Texas, this 11th day of January, 2001.

Ed Hudson, Mayor
Patti Donovan, City Secretary
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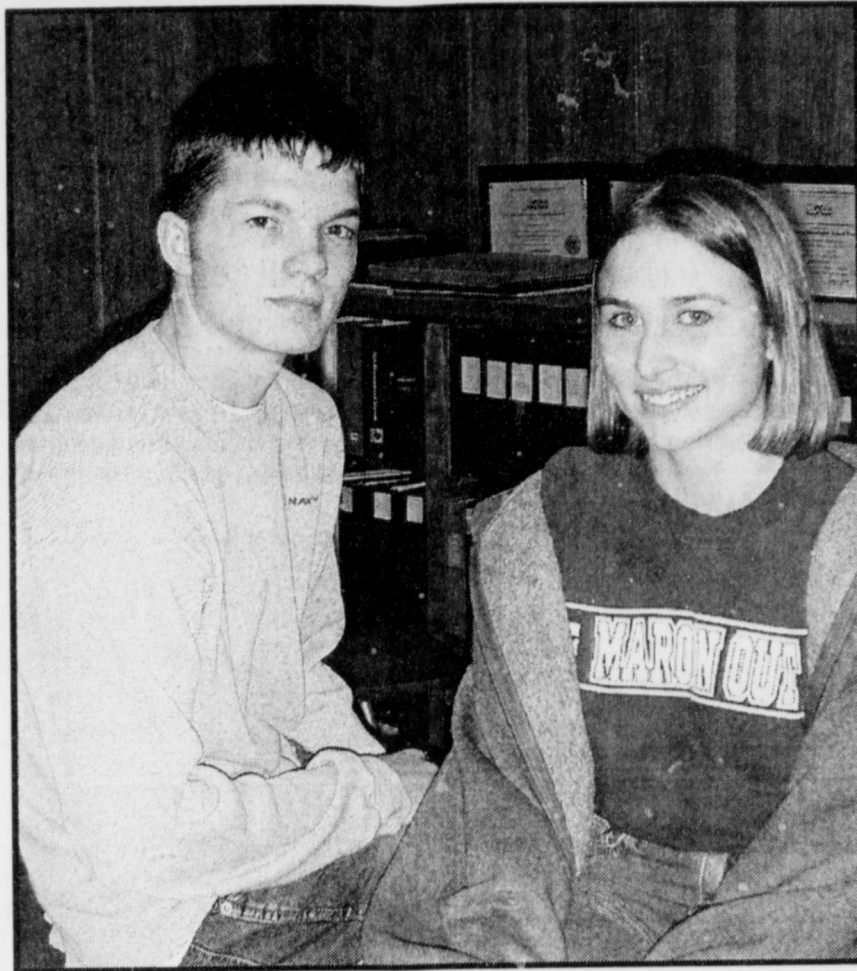
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