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Is there life without plastic trash sacks?

Back in the early 1980s I recall writing a column about the vanishing paper bag, "brownsackus commonaris". I pointed out that they were useful for lots of things, from Halloween costumes to garbage sacks. Well, I've discovered that they aren't nearly as useful as our common, everyday plastic garbage sack!

I ran out of these priceless gems recently.

Obviously the first problem arises from not wanting to put garbage into the garbage can. And those few-and-far-between brown paper bags don't fit my garbage can, and they get wet on the bottom...and they fall apart...well you know the drill.

Aside from the obvious use though, are all the times we use garbage sacks for things other than garbage.

Taking down my outside Christmas wreaths and bows, I used drawstring garbage sacks. I bag from one end, then the other, so that the dirt daubers cannot get in to my things.

I packed away an old comforter the other day, and guess what I used to compress it, protect it and store it in? Yep, drawstring garbage sacks.

Temporary floor mats in a vehicle? Get a trash bag.

Wrapping a tender plant in paper for insulation? Top it with trash sack to keep things dry and "together".

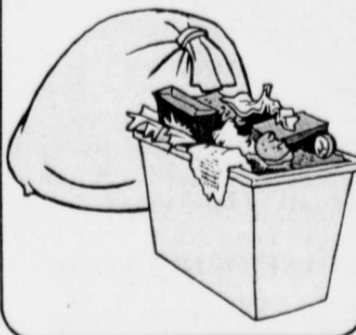
They can be patched together into temporary roofing, taped

with duct tape to mend a broken vehicle or home window (temporary, of course), used at deer stands and hunting camps, and even turned into Halloween costumes. Raisins, spiders and chocolate chip cookies are a few of the creative uses I've seen personally!

Yes, the plastic garbage bag, even if it's of the small, white variety, has use after use.

Of course, every now and again I buy the kind with the little plastic coated wire "twist ties" instead of the drawstring kind. I tie the bags in a knot, and then I use those twist ties for many, many things. They hang small pictures, hold things in place, and I especially like them as hangers for my Christmas ornaments, because they can be fastened on well enough that even my cats can't swat the ornament from the branch! So, you see, there is an entire subculture that results from the plastic trash sack!

While the paper sack is truly on the endangered species list, the plastic sack seems here to stay for a while. I've no doubt something better will come along, but for now it's truly one of the handiest, if humble, items of our contemporary culture!



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"How can I help?" was a question answered for Jerry Conway

Many lives were touched by the terrorist attacks on New York City and Washington D.C. September 11.

However, the possibility that these events could make a difference in the Red River County Sheriff's Department seemed unthinkable, but they did.

Jerry Conway, a Red River County native retired from the Department of Public Safety after twenty-five years on the "front lines" was enjoying his retirement.

After the September 11th attacks, though, Conway, like most folks across the nation, stayed close to TV, radio and newspapers, trying to keep up with the latest reports coming out of New York and Washington.

A patriotic Conway started searching his soul for an answer

to his prayers of "How can I help?"

Daily, while working on fences around his farm, checking on his cattle, Conway kept asking himself, "What can I do to help?"

Conway didn't have to wait too long for an answer. Bob Storey, who had just started serving his term as Red River County Sheriff, resigned due to health problems.

This unexpected turn of events opened the door for a new sheriff to be appointed by Red River County Commissioner's Court.

Be it a coincidence, or an answer to Conway's prayers, he got the call from County Judge P.J. Peek asking him if he would accept the appointment of Sheriff if the court appointed him.

Conway asked Judge Peek to give him a day to consider the proposal, and discuss it with his wife and family. By next morning

the decision was made and Conway agreed to accept the appointment.

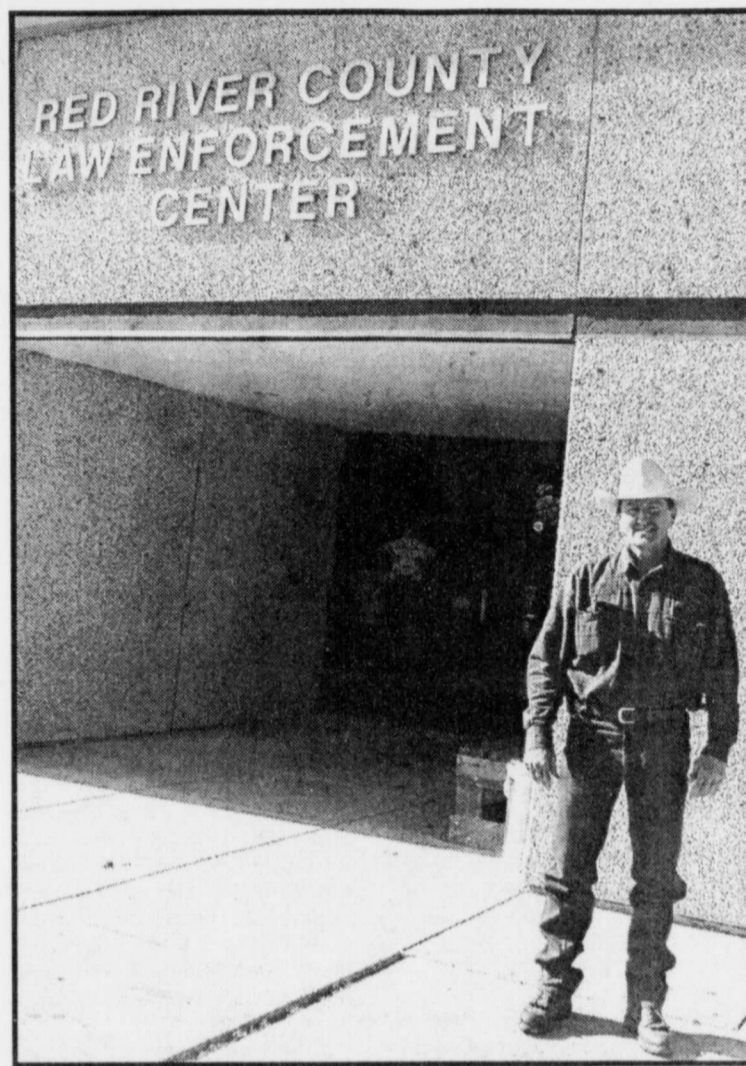
Conway said that by accepting the appointment he felt like he could do his part to make Red River County better.

"I want to unite us all. The Police Department, the Sheriff's department, the Constables and other law enforcement officials as a whole", Conway states.

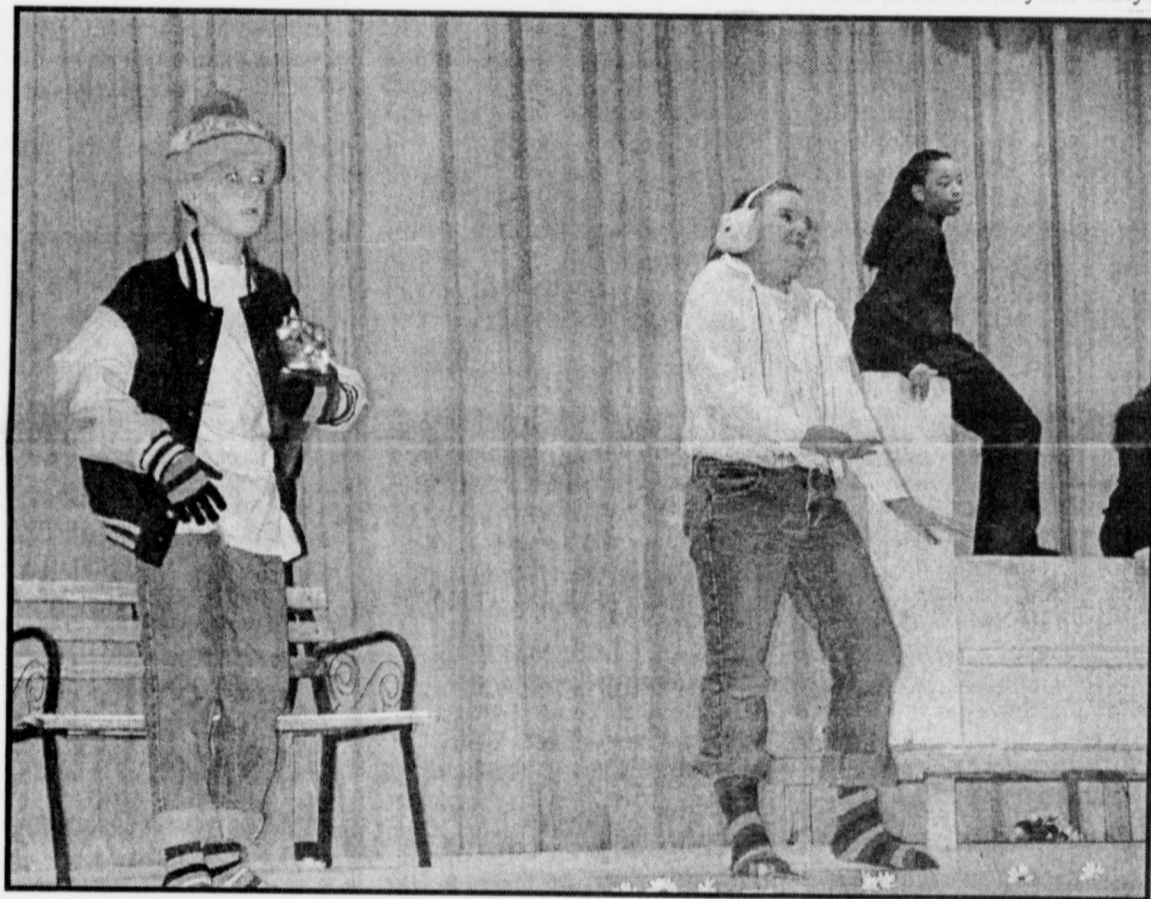
"The appointment of Sheriff of Red River County has been overwhelming and I consider the appointment to be an honor" Conway smiles.

Since more than two years are left on Storey's unexpired term, Conway has to register and plans to seek the office on his own merits when the time comes.

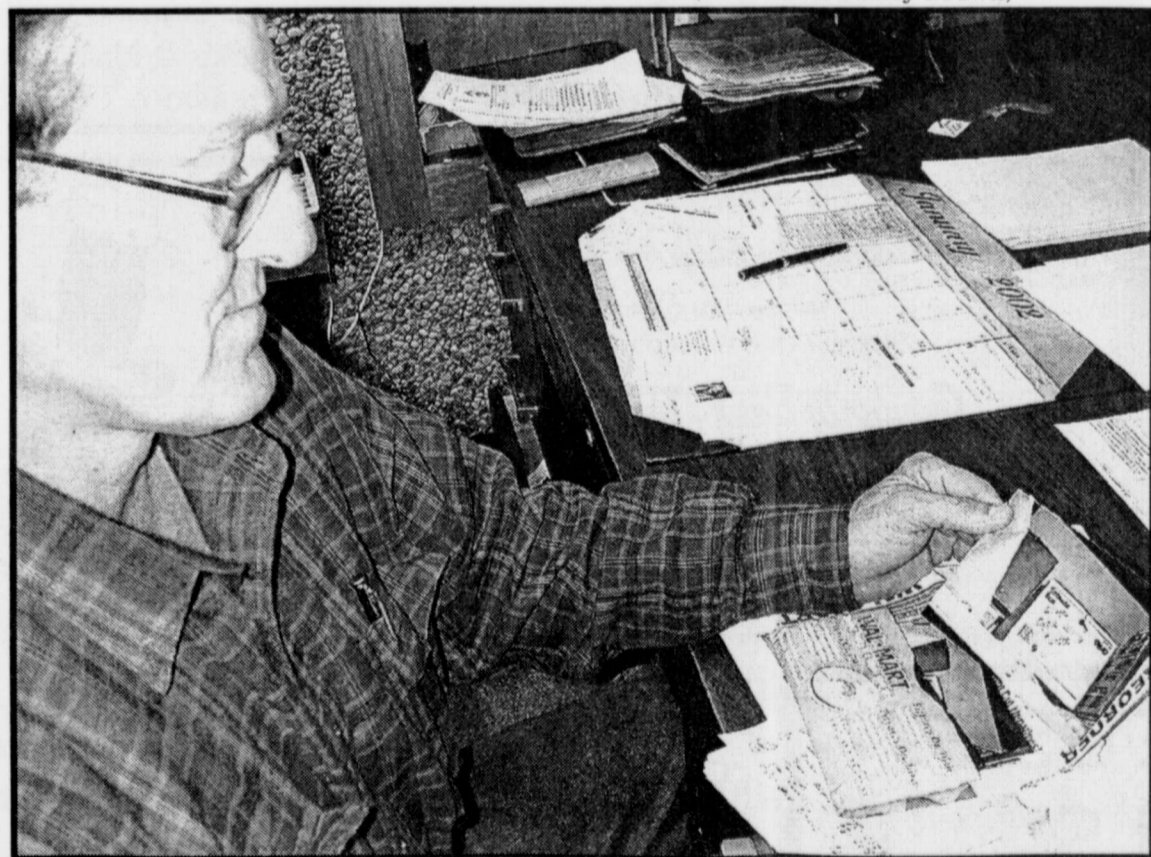
Conway says he will work to achieve cooperation and will do his best to serve everyone fairly.



SHERIFF OF RED RIVER COUNTY-Retired Department of Public Safety veteran Jerry Conway is right at home serving the residents of Red River County as their sheriff. After being appointed to fill that position following the resignation of Bob Storey Conway is seeking the top vote for the office in this year's upcoming election. (Photo by Thomas Nichols).



RIVERCREST JUNIOR HIGH-students performed the play they have been working on, "Of Poems Youth and Spring" by John Logan, for the student body Tuesday in the Rivercrest auditorium. The lead parts are held by Ashley Shew and Bradley Rolan. The group will perform at UIL competition in Mt. Vernon soon. The students are under the direction of Becky Carlisle and Mona Pitts. Good Luck students!!! (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



JERRY CONWAY, Red River County Sheriff looks over the supposed "missing files" that the previous administration had reported being gone from the Sheriff's Department in Clarksville. The files, in fact, were never missing. (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)

Files "were never missing" new Red River Co. Sheriff explains

The accusations of missing files from the Red River County Sheriff's Department is "simply false" states the new Red River County Sheriff Jerry Conway.

Conway states he feels there has been a lot of misinformation about the destruction of case files.

"I want everyone to know that every time a new sheriff takes office an inventory of the entire

Sheriff's Office, equipment and jail is taken." Conway explains, "I have seen the previous inventory taken when Edrington's administration changed to Storey's. The files in question were there at that time, well documented, and are still there now on my current inventory."

"I feel that the people who have lived this past year under these

false accusations of destroying these files deserve to have this information known."

According to Sheriff Conway, the files are kept in the main building and were never outside in a storage shed. Also, three copies of the files exist, one at the Sheriff's Department, one with the Texas Rangers and the D.A.s office.

"So, it wouldn't have done any good to have destroyed one set of the files.", Conway points out.

Talco HC planning meeting set for February 7

A planning meeting for the Talco School Homecoming will be held at the Western Sizzlin Restaurant in Mt. Pleasant on February 7, 2002. Dinner will be at 6:00 p.m. with the meeting following at 6:30 p.m. Any and all that might be interested are

invited to attend.

The Talco School Homecoming Reunion will be held April 27, 2002 at the Talco School building in Talco. More information will be available after the planning meeting.

Kid's Fishing Day to be January 26, 2002

Lake Bob Sandlin State Park/ Texas Parks and Wildlife Department is scheduling a "Kid's Fishing Day" at the State Park on Saturday, January 26, 2002, between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. The event has been planned in conjunction with the annual winter stocking of rainbow trout by TPWD Fisheries Branch. Texas Parks and Wildlife Department employees and volunteers will be present to assist young anglers.

*Open to anglers 4-16 years old (under 4 years old must be accompanied by parent).

*Parents should register participants by 5:00 p.m., January 25, 2002 by contacting the main office at Lake Bob Sandlin State

Adult coats are available

*Fishing poles will be available upon request at registration.

*Bait will be provided.

*Anglers need to provide a container for fish, creel bucket, stringer, etc.

*Statewide fishing regulations will remain in effect; anglers will be limited to 5 trout each. There is no minimum size limit for freshwater trout.

*No freshwater fishing license or trout stamp is required for anglers under 17 or over 65 years old (if 65 before September 1, 1995).

*Fishing license and trout stamps can be purchased at the State Park.

Register early and plan to attend a fun day in the park.

Park between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. at (903) 572-5531. No fee is required for fishing; however, the park entrance fee is \$2.00 per adult or free with a conservation passport or annual permit. All proceeds from entrance fees will go to the Lone Star Legacy Endowment Fund.

*There will be two sessions: Session I-10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; and Session II-1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. When registering, parents should indicate which session their child will be attending.

*Registration will be limited to the first 100 children per session (no one will be turned away, but we can not guarantee late or non-registrants as much individual attention).

Adult coats are available

During the recent "Coats for Kids" drive sponsored by the Bogata Lions Club many coats were donated and many children received a new coat cleaned by Webster Cleaners in Clarksville.

All coats donated were greatly appreciated, however, there is an abundance of adult size coats left and ready for distribution. The sizes available would fit high school age through all size adults and anyone in need of a coat may stop by the Rivercrest Elementary School and receive one.

Again the Bogata Lions Club would like to express their appreciation to all who helped this project be a success.

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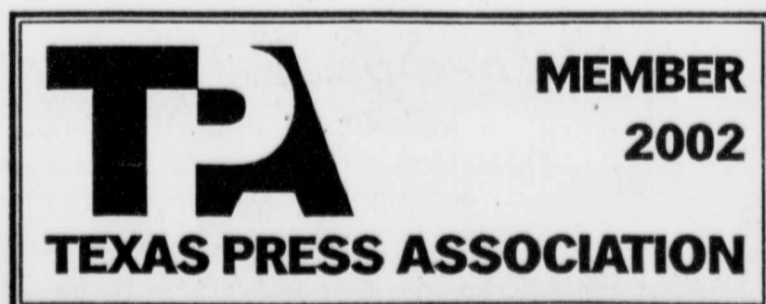
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Country Cooking
By Liz Irwin



Did you know there was a carrot museum? I'm not sure where it is, but it was started by the Stolarczyk family. Just go to the Carrot Museum website and you will find some amazing facts about carrots. Did you know that the first carrots back in 200 A.D. were either white, purple, red, yellow, green or black.....not orange! They originated some 5000 years ago in Middle Asia around Afghanistan and slowly spread into the Mediterranean area. Carrots were well known to both the Greeks and Romans. They cultivated carrots in their kitchen gardens. Around the 15-16th century was when the color orange was developed by the Romans.

Some of the earliest recipes might read: Carotetae Frictea-oenogaro inferuntur-which was fried carrots served with oenogaro. Aliter Carotetae-sale, oleo puro et aceto-another method used was raw carrots with salt and pure oil and vinegar. Carotetae Elixatus-consis in cuminato oleo modico coques et infres-Cuil the carrots and chop. Cook in cumin sauce with little oil and serve. Carotetae et Pastinacae (carrots and

parsnips)-carrots or parsnips fried in white wine sauce. Presumably the vegetables are fried first and then served in sauce.

Did you know that although carrots are available all year around, inexpensive, can be eaten raw or cooked, a good source of fibre, great source for Vitamin A and alpha carotene (more powerful than beta carotene), and eat a carrot at or near the beginning of every meal for diet purposes. It causes the stomach to appear full and leaves no room for over-eating!

CARROT PIZZA-a new twist to the old pizza pie!

CARROT BURGER-bet the Sonic doesn't serve these! burger.....try it.....you might like it?

CARROT SPICED PIE-this recipe sounds moe like a pumpkin or sweet potato pie!

CARROT-OATMEAL COOKIES-try these oatmeal cookies!

CHOCOLATE CARROT CAKE-a chocolate version of the original carrot cake!

CARROT-MANGO SALSA-a great condiment for fish or chicken dishes!



Bogata V.F.W. News

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

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

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

* 42 tournament is Thursday beginning at 7:00 p.m.

*Shuffleboard tournament is Saturday beginning at 3:00 p.m.

*There is going to be a Valentine Dance held February 16, 2002 starting at 8:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend.

The Post will be having a benefit meal March 2, 2002 beginning at 12:00 noon for Mary Elrod. More details will be available next week.

*Get Well Wishes are sent to: Georgia Hudson, Cara Tidwell, Mary Elrod, George Smith, James Minshew, Kenneth Sheffield and Betty Mullins.

*Happy Birthday to: Kenneth Duffer, Jim Mauldin, Joyce Wisinger, Melani Wisinger and Pat Butler.

Fulbright News
By Betty Rodgers
652-6051



Visitors of Jimmie King this week were Kutchie King on Wednesday, Dick King and Jeff King on Saturday.

Gordon Cardwell of Ft. Worth died Friday and his funeral was Monday. He was a cousin of Raymond Dugger, Jr. and spent a lot of his growing up years here.

Lunch guests of Betty Rodgers were Gilbert and Melissa Arriaga, Monte Rodgers, Stephanie and Melissa Kelly on Sunday.

Guests of Katie and Clovis VanDeaver were Lanna VanDeaver and grandson of Trinity.

Clovis and Katy VanDeaver attended the wedding of their granddaughter, Kimberly Pirtle to Derick Equizabal at the First Baptist Church in Paris Saturday.



Bogata Homecoming April 13

Bulldogs are coming home Saturday, April 13, 2002. A large crowd is expected this year. As Nanak stated in her column last week, "We were all reminded September 11th just how much we love our family and our friends", and we all appreciate them a little more today.

It will be good to get together hug and laugh and enjoy one another another time. A catered meal will be served from 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m. in the cafeteria. If class reunions run a little late, mem-

bers can still come for lunch where there will be plenty of food.

About 2:30 p.m. there will be a short business meeting followed by a very short time of entertainment. The rest of the evening will be spent visiting.

Everyone is urged to make your plans now to come to Bogata Homecoming on Saturday, April 13, 2002. The class of 1953 will be the host this year. For more information call 903-632-5221, Mary Barnard Vaughan. "Yea! Bulldogs".

PJC announces honors list

Paris Junior College has announced students named to the president's and dean's list for academic achievement during the fall semester.

To be eligible for the president's list, students must earn a 4.0 grade point average (straight A's) on a minimum of 15 semester hours. Those on the dean's list must have a minimum of 3.5 grade point average on at least 15 semester hours and have no grade lower than a "C".

Students named to the president's list include:

Blossom: Michael Wayne Flatt.

Bogata: Kasey A. Crawford, Sammy McGill Glosson, Edward L. Wagstaff.

Clarksville: Jason Matthew Meredith, Diana Rosser. Detroit: Thea A. O'Neal.

Students named to the dean's honor list are:

Bagwell: Glenda Mae Ervin.

Blossom: Yuchiro Omori.

Bogata: Rebecca A. Stewart.

Clarksville: Jackie L. Beatty.

Detroit: Patricia G. Robyns.

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Thursday, January 17
Just Recipes

Carrot Pizza
2 whole wheat pitas
2 carrots-shredded
1 cup mozzarella cheese
garlic powder
oregano
black pepper
Preheat toaster oven to 300 degrees. Distribute carrots evenly over the concave side of the whole pita. Distribute cheese on top of carrots. Top with oregano of garlic powder, dash of oregano and pepper. Bake in toaster oven about 15 minutes. Serve and eat.

Carrot Burgers
10 carrots-peel and chunk
2 tablespoons oil
3 garlic cloves-minced
3 onions-cut into chunks
2 celery stalks-diced
2 green peppers-diced
5 tablespoons Tamari
1/2 teaspoon garlic powder
1/2 teaspoon basil
1/2 teaspoon paprika
1/2 teaspoon oregano
1/2 teaspoon parsley
1/2 cup Tahini
3 tablespoons peanut butter
2 teaspoons cashew butter
1/2 cup wheat germ or flour
Place carrots in medium-size sauce pan with 3-4 inches water; steam over medium heat for 15 minutes until soft. Drain and mash well using a potato masher. In large skillet, heat oil over medium heat and add diced garlic, onions, celery and peppers; saute for 7 minutes. Add Tamari, basil, garlic powder, parsley and oregano; saute 2 minutes more until vegetables are soft. In large bowl, combine carrots, sauteed vegetables, Tahini and peanut butter. Season to taste. If batter is too wet, add the wheat germ to make it hold together. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Form mixture into patties and place on oiled cookie sheet. Bake for 10-12 minutes or until golden on top. Turn and bake on other side until golden brown.

Carrot Spiced Pie
8 carrots diced
1 ounce butter or margarine
1 ounce honey
2 ounces white sugar
2 ounces brown sugar
2 eggs
1 teaspoon vanilla essence
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
1 teaspoon ground nutmeg
1 teaspoon salt
1 unbaked pastry crust
Combine carrots, butter, honey, vanilla, salt, eggs and spices in mixing bowl and mix until smooth. Fold in sugars and pour filling into crust. Bake at 350 degrees for 1 hour. To determine if pie is done, insert toothpick and if it comes out clean it is ready.

Carrot and Oatmeal Cookies
8 ounces grated carrots
4 ounces honey
1 teaspoon cinnamon
4 ounces vegetable oil
1 teaspoon nutmeg
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
1 teaspoon allspice
2 eggs
8 ounces porridge oats
8 ounces whole wheat flour
4 ounces chopped nuts
2 teaspoons baking powder
8 ounces raisins
1 teaspoon salt
Preheat oven to 375 degrees. In mixing bowl beat together honey, oil, vanilla and eggs. In large bowl, combine flour, baking powder, salt, spices and oats. Blend well. Stir in nuts, raisins and carrots. Add liquid ingredients to mixture and blend well. Drop teaspoonsfuls onto oiled cookies shee. Bake 12-15 minutes or until cookies are golden brown.

Chocolat Carrot Cake
4 ounces self-rising flour
2 tablespoon cocoa
1/2 teaspoon soda
2 ounces castor sugar
1 Granny Smith apple-grate finely
2 egg
3 ounces chopped pecans
4 ounces finely grated carrots
2 ounces oil
Sift flour, cocoa and sugar into bowl. Add apple, lightly beaten eggs, pecans, carrot and oil and then mix together. Pour into greased and lined deep cake tin and bake for 25 minutes. Stand for 5 minutes and turn out onto wire rack and cool. Frost with cream cheese frosting.

Carrot Mango Salsa
4 ounce carrots
1 ripe mango-dice, skin & pit
1/2 ounces diced apricots
2 tablespoons lime juice
1 tablespoon sugar
1 teaspoon ground cumin
half of a red pepper-chopped
1 green chili-seeded and chop
Add all ingredients together and stir well for one minutes. Serve warmed or chilled with chicken or fish.

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This week's query is from Don Middleton, 4301 Ginger Cove Dr., Tampa, Florida 33632-7452, who is researching Silas R. Mangrum, who was born in GA or NC in the 1820's or 1830's and married Martha C. Lawley or Lolley in Arkansas in 1857. They moved to Red River County where Silas died around 1870-77. Martha married Dr. James A. Allen on September 27, 1878 in Red River County and died there after 1920. The children of Silas R. and Martha C. Mangrum were William Willie, Walter, Andrew and Alexander Mangrum, all born in the 1860's.

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

Obituaries

Jacob Herman Phillely dies January 9

Funeral services for Jacob Herman Phillely, age 90 of Denison were held January 11 at 2:00 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Whitewright. He died January 9, 2002 in Denison.

The family received friends at 9:00 a.m. at the church prior to the service.

Rev. Mark Vouch officiated. Burial was at 2:00 p.m. in Highland Cemetery in Deport.

Earnhart Funeral Home of Whitewright was in charge of arrangements.

Survivors include his wife of 66 years, Henrietta, of Denison; a daughter, Louann Pruitt and husband Robert of Denton; a son, Wake Phillely and wife Pat of Spring; a granddaughter, Kristy McCool and husband Houston of Grand Prairie; two grandsons, Jonathan Phillely and wife Cyndi of Cypress and David Phillely of Houston; two nieces, Geraldine Griffin of Abilene and Elaine Mesquite and husband Robert of Mesquite.

Herman was born July 18, 1911 at Deport to J.E. and Lurania Nixon Phillely. He graduated from Deport High School in 1928. On September 21, 1935 he married Henrietta Bailey in Paris.

After working at First National Bank in Dallas and as local manager for Community Public Service Company in Detroit, Deport, Pilot Point and Whitewright. He volunteered for the U.S. Navy in 1942 and served four years in the Pacific during World War II.

After the war, he returned to CPS in Detroit. He served in various management positions and retired as area manager in Lewisville after 41 years of service.

Throughout his life, Herman was active in the United Methodist Church and various civic organizations. He held numerous offices in the Rotary Club, United Way, Good Fellows, Leona Club,

hospital board, school board and Red River County. He was a 32 degree Scottish Rite, a Shriner and was presented the Golden Trowel by the Whitewright Lodge #167.

Active pallbearers were Jackie Howell, Joe Norwood, Larry Deeds, Kenneth Shepherd, D. Kent and Mike Hollway. Honorary bearers were Barr Pettit, Charlie Sessom, Abe Fortington, Joe Cureton, Billy Partridge, Ned Kempson, Masonic Lodge #167.

Card of Thanks

The family of Ralph Noel Westbrook would like to thank the Deport Fire Department, First Responders, Paris EMS, Christus St. Joseph North, Dr. E.S. White, Critical Provisions Home Health, First Baptist of Deport, Winmore Sunday School Class and all other friends and family for your kind expressions of sympathy and support during the loss of our loved one. With special thanks to my extended family, Nancy, Earl, Randy, Karen, Julia and the Judds. Special nieces, Teressa Minor and Nicole Humphreys.

Your calls, visits, cards, wonderful food, lovely flowers, plants, cemetery donations and prayers have meant so much to all of us.

All the help that was provided during our time of tragedy and sorrow was greatly appreciated and a blessing to us.

Thank you all.
The Family of
Ralph Noel Westbrook

Card of Thanks

My sincere thanks for all the calls, cards, prayers and other acts of kindness shown to me during the loss of my sister.
God bless,
Bonnie Huddleston

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Powell Peek announces candidacy for Red River County Judge

Powell Peek announces his candidacy for the office of Red River County Judge, a position he has held since March, 2001 after being appointed by the Commissioners Court.

I am retired from a 40-year career in the offshore oil exploration industry, operating worldwide. I have a degree in business administration from SMU in Dallas, graduating in 1980.

During the past year, we have made improvements in: Balancing the budget, although we are not there yet. Reduction in County Court case backlog

Backlog-March 31, 2001-358 New Cases Filed- 275

Court Dispositions 263
Other Dispositions 93
Backlog-Dec. 31-2001 277

Improving teamwork between elected officials and with municipalities.

Instituted a Citizens Committee in an effort to make County Government more efficient.

Major priorities for the next months and years must be:

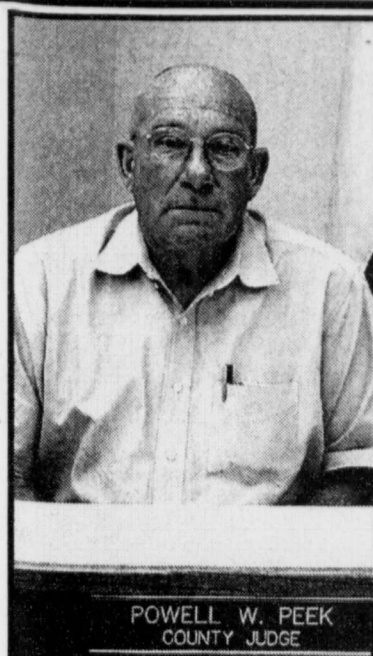
Balancing the budget
Updating the County Emergency Management Plan
Attracting investment to reduce unemployment and increase the tax base.
Positively influence the 78th State Legislature in matters affect-

ing counties.
Further reduction in County Court backlog.

I believe I am qualified to work with elected officials to accomplish these priorities.

If I am elected, I commit that my County Court will remain fair and unbiased and that any fiscal decisions will continue to have the taxpayer's best interest. As the No. 1 priority.

I have enjoyed working for and with the citizens of Red River County this past year. Your support and vote in the March 12th Democratic primary will be very much appreciated.



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Brit Phillips
Rooms are empty without your smile.
Is it snowing everyday for you?
Thinking now, you have been gone awhile.
Patient provider for your family,
Hilarious and kind with jokes by the mile.
Isn't it strange you are no longer around?
Laughter abounded from your comedic style.
Lindy and Bonnie miss their fun-loving dad.
I believe God called you from life's trial,
Possibly to watch over the rest of us.
Sometimes, we talk of you and smile.
Brit, we miss you! Anaya
(Written by Mrs. Deryl Cooper)

Michael Garretson announces candidacy for Red River Co. Judge

Michael Garretson of Bogata has announced his candidacy for Red River County Judge.

Garretson says "I have been a business owner and Red River County resident for many years. I served in the U.S. Navy for eight years and was Honorably Discharged."

He continues, "I represented the citizens of Bogata as Councilman, Mayor and currently I am the Municipal Judge."

As Mayor, the council members and I set goals to improve the appearance, safety and welfare of the community, Garretson asserts.

He also says that "Working with council members we established the city of Bogata's first Police Department. We received Federal Grant Money easing the financial burden of the citizens and asked the citizens to support and establish a Crime Prevention District which passed by an overwhelming vote. A significant reduction in Adult and Juvenile Crime resulted. Working with local and regional TxDOT officials a four way stop at the intersection of Hwy. 37 and Hwy. 271 was installed, preventing deaths in our community.

We modernized City Hall offices, replaced old Vehicles and Equipment, replaced pumps and new wiring at the water pump stations, all within the city budget.

We created the city's first Animal Control and Enforcement Ordinance, removing many stray animals in order to protect citizens and protect and care for animals.

We created the first budget for the Bogata Volunteer Fire Department and purchased a new fire truck with monthly donations from the concerned and caring people of Bogata. This helped reduce insurance rates on homes and property.

Many lots and abandoned

houses were cleaned which improved the appearance of the city and also protected the health and safety of the residents.

As a result of efforts of myself and the City Council the city received over 1/2 million dollars in State and Federal Grant Money.

As the Municipal Court Judge for Bogata we have created a professional, respectable and dignified atmosphere for the laws of the City and State, providing justice and equal treatment, fair and firm judgements after all evidence has been presented.

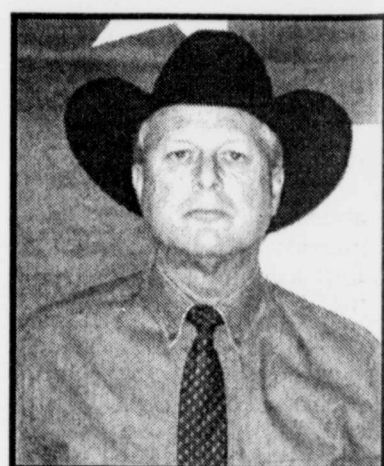
I ask the Red River county resident to vote for me, Michael Garretson. I have local government experience financial and budget experience. I have four years experience as judge with adults and juveniles. I will aggressively seek State and Federal Grant Money to improve resident's quality of life with the least amount of tax burden on our Red River county citizens. I will work with others to accomplish great things for our county. While I was in the Navy, our Battalion Motto was "Can Do".

I encourage you to talk about my qualifications among yourselves and to talk to citizens of Bogata about items that were accomplished while I was Mayor of Bogata.

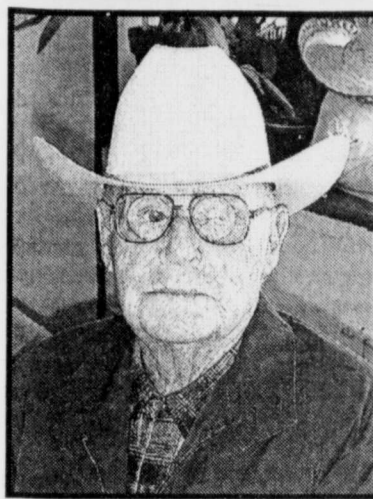
I received great satisfaction working with members of the City Council and other citizens to make improvements to our city.

After you vote to elect me, we can all work together to make our County an even better place to live, work and raise families.

After being elected Red River County Judge, my door will always be open to you. I will listen to your problems. I will, with all my energy and resources, work to resolve these problems. With my guidance and leadership while serving as Judge of Red River county the motto "Can Do" can also be the motto of Red River County"



Michael Garretson,
candidate for County Judge



NINETY-EIGHT-Walker Devlin, life-long resident of the Minter area, celebrated his 98th birthday on January 9th. Mr. Devlin is still completely self-sufficient and everyone wishes him a Happy Birthday and many more.



Mr. & Mrs. J.A. Sparks
Celebrate 50 Year Anniversary

Mr. & Mrs. J.A. Sparks celebrate 50 years of marriage

J.A. Sparks and Juanita Webster were married on January 12, 1952 at the First Methodist Church in Texarkana, Arkansas by Brady Tyson, pastor of the Minter Methodist Church. Attendees were Joyce Abernathy, Hattie Webster and J.C. Abernathy.

The Sparks lived their first 27 years in the Minter Community, moving to Deport in 1979.

The couple were honored by their children. Luanne Sparks.

Third Saturday Dinner is Jan. 19

The Third Saturday Dinner, prepared by the Heavenly Delights, First United Methodist Church, Deport will be Saturday, January 19 from 6 until 7:30 p.m.

The menu will consist of Arkansas shrimp (chicken), pinto beans with ham, potato salad, green salad, cornbread, chocolate cake, tea or coffee for \$8.00.

Dawne & Donny Darden, and grandson David J. Darden with a luncheon at their home on Saturday, January 12.

Attending were Jim & Chris Nix of Hooks, J.C. and Hattie Abernathy of McCrury, Raymond and Hiawatha King of Pattonville, Helen Stanley of Hagansport, Bettie Pace of Clarksville, Nelda Talley of Gladewater and Joyce (Abernathy) Wisinger of Pine Branch.

The meal is by reservation only, as seating is limited to 50. Carry outs will be taken between 5:30 and 6 p.m. and reservations should be turned in by Thursday, January 17 at 5 p.m.
Call Rena Good at 652-2665, T.H. Glover at 652-3995, or Juanita Sparks at 652-4211.

Reger wins 1st in Legion Oratorical Contest

Chad Reger a senior at Detroit High School represented the Deport American Legion Post 199 District One in the American Legion Oratorical competition and won First Place at New Boston, Texas.

Chad will go to Denton to compete for division competition at the Courthouse in Denton this Sunday at 2:00 P.M. January 20th.

If he wins there he will continue to state competition.

TNMP notifies customers of changes relative to competition

Electric competition is here and along with it are some reminders Texas-New Mexico Power company wants to share with its customers.

TNMP customers will receive their final bills from the power company with the end of year 2001 billing cycle. Subsequent bills will be issued from TNMP's sister company, first Choice power, for those customers who choose not to select a new electricity supplier. This change is part of the Texas Electric Choice Act, a law approved in 1999 to provide a choice of suppliers beginning in 2002.

TNMP will continue to deliver power to its customers and customers may still report outages to TNMP. Other changes follow:

For outages, call TNMP at 1-888-TNMP-456 or call First Choice Power directly at 1-866-469-2646 or you have not changed providers.

Allow at least three days for action on service orders, such as new connections or disconnections of service.

Most service providers will not charge late fees for late payments. Additional service fees will be charged for certain situations. For example, if a customer reports an outage that ultimately is within his control, such as failure to flip a

home's circuit breaker switch, the customer will be charged a service fee.

Under the new law, failure to pay a bill will result in termination of the service agreement and the account being dropped to the provider of last resort assigned to the service area. Rates charged by providers of last resort are significantly higher than the prices paid through regular providers. Bills should be paid by the current billing due date for customers to avoid being dropped to the provider of last resort.

TNMP field employees will no longer be able to accept payments in the field in order for a customer to avoid disconnection of electric service. All payments and payment arrangements must be made with our affiliate company, First Choice Power, or any other service provider chosen.

TNMP customers who elect not to choose a new provider automatically become customers of First Choice Power. The same programs, such as budget billing and automated bank drafting, will continue to be available through First Choice. Customers also can pay in person at the same local offices. These offices now carry the name of TNMP's affiliate, First Choice Power.

Johney Ellis dies at 54

Funeral services for Johney Ellis, 54, of Grand Prairie, are scheduled for 11 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 19, at the Herschel LyBrand Chapel in Wills Point with Dr. Wendell Hiers and Rev. Emil Ballier officiating. Interment will be in the Woodall Cemetery near Wills Point. He died Monday, Jan. 14 in an Arlington hospital.

He was born February 17, 1947 in Roxton, Tx., son of the late Harvey Brown Ellis and Myrtle Bea Ellis. He attended grade school in Blossom and graduated from high school in Seagoville. He then attended Mountainview Junior College. He was a veteran of the United States Air Force and before his retirement he was a police officer in the city of Ft. Worth for the Dept. of Defense. He was a member of Calvary Baptist Church in Grand Prairie.

He is survived by two brothers, Michael Brown Ellis of McKinney, Steve Ellis and wife Susie of Grand Prairie, one niece and one nephew.

Family visitation will be prior to service time.

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Lady Rebel JV and Varsity travel to Chisum

by Coach Debbie Williams

The Lady Rebel teams met up with the Chisum Lady Mustangs for their first competition in 2002. The JV Lady Rebels played and met the challenge. The JV ladies are really having a good season. They are fun to watch and always get after it. Coach Oats is really doing a super job with the ladies and they are always competing to win. They also are to be credited for their hard work and long hours the spend in the gym to get better as players and as a team, but also to work the varsity. They seem to always have to be playing defense for the varsity but they never complain. They are a good group of ladies and fun to watch. They will be playing tournaments this month, so they will be performing a lot. The JV players who are dedicated and working hard for the program are: Alison Foster, Shari Wisinger, Nikki Jones, Kendra Birchfield, Cassie McCuller, Kasey Hammonds, Kerri Simmons, Jill Shirley, Stephanie Williams, Danielle Varner and Paige Boyd. Keep up the great, hard work!

The Varsity Lady Rebels also met the Chisum Lady Mustangs and as always we knew offensive rebounds for Chisum would be a factor in the game. They have good size girls on the floor and we had to box out on every shot. They scored points off this, but our defense went okay. We ran zone and tried to really pack it in so they couldn't go inside for their offense. They did hit 2 three pointers on us for the night, but their focus was the inside game and we had to control that area. Our offense end is just not clicking at this time. The ladies are not in sync with each other, but this week was a good time to see the ladies put it all together. The final score for the Chisum game was 38-56

Chisum. Tina Carder saw the floor and had 2 steals, 1 defensive rebound, 1 turnover, 1 assist and 3 fouls for the Lady Rebels. She is doing a good job and is always fun to watch on the defensive end for sure. Charla Hines was 0/3 for the field, 0/2 for the 3. She had 2 turnovers, 2 gain possessions, 2 assists and 1 foul. Charla is the Senior on the team and really works hard to do well for the team.

Erica Williams "E" was 5/0 for the field, 4/5 from the free shot line, 1 offensive rebound, 2 defensive rebounds, 2 steals, 3 turnovers and 2 assists. "E" works on the boards and pens her opponent well to get open for the ball. Jessica Rose was still out with her finger and her presence on the floor was definitely missed against Chisum. Molly Hare was 4/13, 0/3 for 3, 3/11 for the free throw, 1 offensive rebound, 1 defensive rebound, 1 steal, 6 lost possessions, 1 assist and 3 fouls. Molly is running the floor well and is really a good shooter for the team. We look for her and when she is confident with her shot she can be deadly. Molly is a junior and we expect a lot from her. She still amazes me with her AC knee surgery recovery. I forget she even had this. She wears no brace and never complains or allows this to be an excuse of any sort at any time.

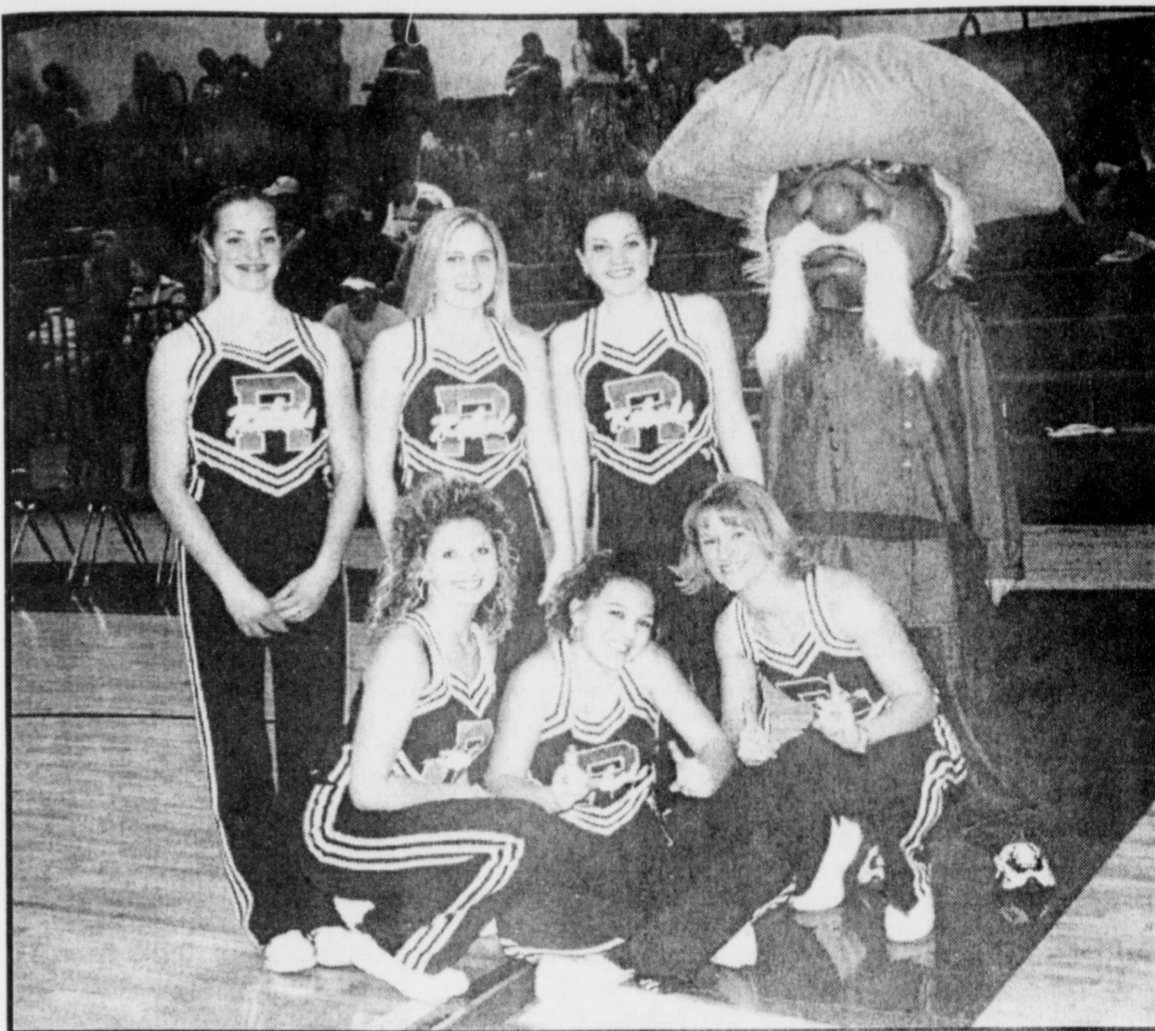
Stephanie Williams is suiting out with both teams when she can and this is always a good thing for a player. Stephanie is a good player and is getting better with every game. Danielle Easterling is always a player with a great team attitude and is always ready to hit the floor. She is what every team needs, an overall player, on the

floor and off the floor. Rachel Case didn't have a good shooting night against Chisum, but you better bet she wanted to win and was in the gym the next day shooting. She is a competitor. She hates to lose and this keeps the spark alive for her and her teammates. Rachel was 0/15 for the field, 1/2 free throws, 7 total rebounds, 2 steals, 10 turnovers, 3 fouls for the game. Rachel expects more from herself and this is self discipline.

Krystal Valenzuela is another player which wants what is best for the team. She is getting minutes on the floor and we want her to look at the basket more. She is a good outside shooter and sees the floor well. Krystal was 50% 1/2 on the 3 against Chisum. We'd like to see her get more physical but she is coming around and knows she needs to be more aggressive in a game. Ashley Beers was 4/7 on the floor which is a winning percentage and has a beautiful shot. She had 6 rebounds for the night.

As a team we were 13/49 at 27% field goals; 7/22 free throws at 41%. We had 19 rebounds, 10 steals, 24 turnovers, 9 assists, 14 fouls and 1/8 on the three point range, 13%.

Shooting this percent from the field, free throw line and with this number of turnovers it is hard to even be in a game. We never were out of the game, so we knew when score more points we have a better chance to beat Chisum when we meet again. Playoffs are on our mind and even after our 3 losses in district, we can still be there. This district is very competitive and we are right in there with them. We need to continue to play hard and mostly believe in ourselves and our teammates. We believe.



CHEERING RIVERCREST ON - The Lady Rebel/Rebel cheerleaders were at work Tuesday night yelling the Lady Rebels and Rebels to a victory over Prairiland. Pictured are: (back row from the left) Paige Boyd, Alison Foster, Sara Alsop and mascot, Christie Crawford and (front from the left) Shari Wisinger, Danielle Easterling and Brittany Bull. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Lady Rebel Junior High win 1 of 3 at Rivercrest

by Nancy Brown

The Lady Rebel Junior High teams played host to Paul Pewitt on Thursday night at Rivercrest. The first game was played by the 7th grade B Team and after one quarter the Lady Rebels trailed 4-0, a score that held until the half time buzzer. The Lady Rebel defense had held the Lady Brahmas from more scoring but their offense could not get the ball to go into the hoop.

In the third, Melanie Smith put the first Lady Rebel score on the board with a free shot. Smith added a field goal in the final quarter also, but it was not enough and the Lady Brahmas netted 3 more points to take the win 7-3. Brooke Hale and Jasmine Hodge both had a good defensive night for the team.

The 7th grade A Team played next. Cortney Merchant was first to score for the Lady Rebels and Alex Wright and Kaitlin Moore followed to lead 8-6 at the quarter's end. In the second quarter Lauren Beers went to work and added 5 points along with Merchant who tossed in a field goal to put the Lady Rebels up 15-13 at the half.

The final quarters saw the Lady Rebels fall behind as Pewitt's #20 went to the hoop for scores. Alex

Wright was lost to foul trouble and the Lady Rebels were held to only 5 points for the half from shots made by Moore and Merchant. Final 32-20 Paul Pewitt.

Cortney Merchant was high scorer for the team. Lauren Beers and Alex Wright both had a good defensive game for the team.

The 8th grade game began with a score from Whitney Savage and Monica Savage, Monique Savage and Mandy Crawford followed suit. This team shows a great example of the old time "run and gun". The 2 for 1 twins, Monica and Monique Savage control the rebounds and 1-2-3 passes from Cassandra Norman, Whitney Savage and Mandy Crawford make the game look easy. The quarter ended 12-4 Lady Rebels. In the second quarter all 3 Savage's and Crawford scored to bring the half time score to 22-8 Lady Rebels.

Early in the third quarter, Coach Tammie Case began making changes. Bailie Spencer came off the bench to do a great job on the defense forcing turnovers that lead to scores. Tiffany Giles, Katie Ward and Jessica Griffin subbed in to help hold the lead that Crawford with 6 points, W. Savage

with 4 points and Cassandra (Minnie) Norman with 2 points had run up. Griffin added 4 points to end the quarter 38-13 Lady Rebels.

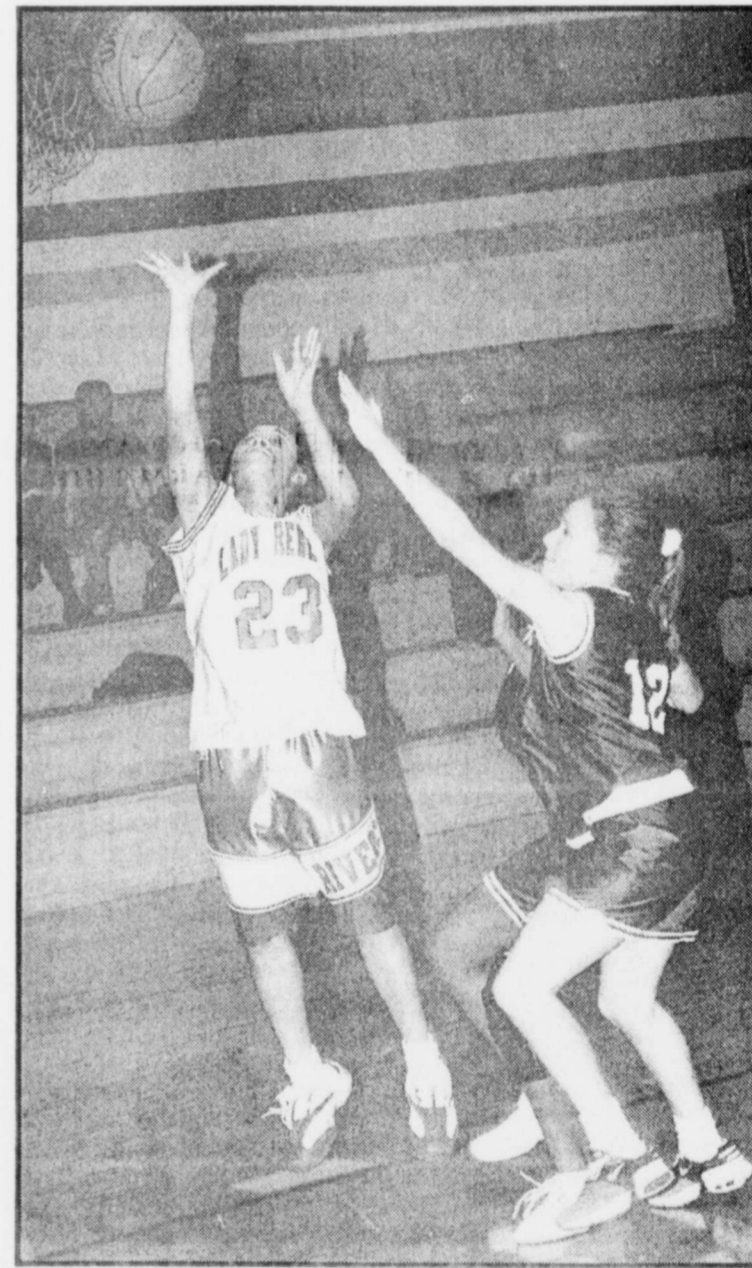
In the fourth W. Savage, Jesi Navia, Crystal Howerton, Sarah hare and Misti Richeson took the floor. After netting 2 more points, Savage went to the bench for the evening and Jessica Griffin came in at post while Navia went to the point. Griffin added 2 more points and the Lady Rebels took the win 42-23.

High scorer for the game was Mandy Crawford with 16 points followed by Whitney Savage with 12. Monica and Monique Savage both had 4 points each and a good defensive game, Cassandra Norman added 2 points and Jessica Griffin finished with 6 points.

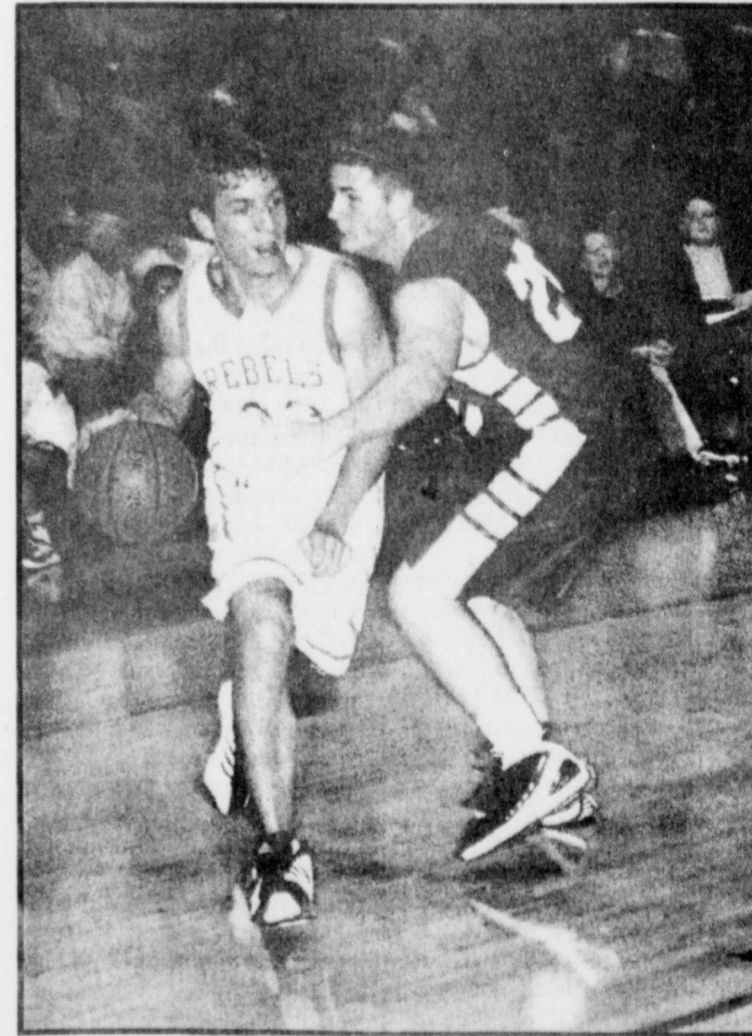
The Lady Rebels are undefeated in district thus far. They will face Hughes Springs on

Thursday night at Rivercrest. The game will be a challenge since the Hughes Springs ladies defeated the Lady Rebels early in the season. Everyone is invited to come

out and support the young Lady Rebels and Rebels as they work toward district championships. Go Rebels and Lady Rebels!!!!



EIGHT GRADE LADY REBEL - Whitney Savage gets a shot off as the team met Paul Pewitt Thursday night at RHS. The Lady Rebels took the win and Whitney was second only to the high scorer for the game, Mandy Crawford. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



DRIVING THE BASELINE - Rebel, Steven Shade goes around Patriot, Seth Walker for a baseline drive as the Rebels met the Pats Tuesday night at RHS. The Rebels were victorious and Shade was the lead scorer. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Semester honor roll announced

The students making the honor roll for the entire first semester at Rivercrest Junior High has been announced. The following students received the honor:

Sixth Grade: All A-Laura Beville, Kristin Clark, Aaron Rolen, Megan Savage, Jessica Thompson and Katelyn Van Deaver.

All A & B: Taylor Anderson, Nicky Ebarb, Christin Holland, Carmen Martin, Lauren Mauldin, Emily McCuller, Kaylee McIntire, Jordan Stafford and Miriam Williams.

Seventh Grade: Honor Roll: Cole Birchfield, Derek Morris, Kirby Needham and Kelly Shade.

Academic Excellence: Lauren Beers, Carissa Carroll, Andrew Deaton, Danica Easterling, Brooke Hale, Lee Jordan, Jeremy Moore, Kaitlin Moore, Kirby Needham, Destry Nolen, Vallery Schmidt, Kelly Shade and Ashley Shew.

Eight Grade: Honor Roll: Tiffany Giles, Sarah Hare, Jesi Navia and Heather Presley.

Academic Excellence: Jessica Griffin, Adam Horn, Miranda Mauldin, Jake Needham, Aaron Palmer, Misti Richeson, Monica Savage, Monique Savage, Whitney Savage, Katie Smith and Wendy Stewart.

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HEADED FOR SAN ANTONIO-These students will be attending the Pan-American Student Forum convention in San Antonio January 31 through February 3, 2002. While at the state Spanish Club convention the students will visit the Alamo, other missions and El Mercado (the market). Attending this year are: (not in order) Gena Haggard, Lacy Harper, Kyla Harville, Megan Horn, Ashley Khule, Jon Shade, Krystal Valenzuela, Jerry Ward and not pictured, Koren Hawkins. Good Luck wishes are sent with Lacy who will be competing for a State Officer position. Krystal will be completing her year as one of the State Officers.. Sponsors traveling with the group will be Julie Clifton, Elaine Morgan and Pam Hays. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Driver's Ed February 4

Rivercrest High School students who will be 15 years of age by Monday, April 1, 2002 may enroll in the driver's education program in the high school office. The cost of the program will be \$185.00 that will be due by the first class day, Monday, February 4, 2002. Class will begin at 6:00 a.m. sharp, Monday through Friday and will release for regular school classes by 7:50 a.m. The program will consist of 32 hours of classroom instruction, 7 hours of behind-the-wheel instruction and 7 hours of in-car observation. Students who will be enrolled in the program will need a certified birth certificate, and an original social security card or proof of the social security number from

the social security office. There will be a mandatory parent-student meeting on Thursday, January 31, 2002 at the high school from 7:00-8:00 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to present an overview of the driver's education program, address any questions and discuss the new laws that went into effect on January 1, 2002 concerning student driver's.

The instructor for the program will be Ms. Leah Bull of Bogata. If you have any questions concerning the driver's education program, contact Ms. Bull at 379-3841 Monday through Friday or 632-9520 between the hours of 4:00 pm and 8:00 pm week nights.

Rivercrest Junior High 3rd Six Weeks Honor Roll

Students making the honor roll for the 3rd six weeks at Rivercrest Junior High are as follows:

Sixth Grade: All A-Laura Bevell, Megan Savage, Jessica Thompson and Katelyn Van Deaver.

All A & B-Taylor Anderson, Kristin Clark, Christin Holland, Carmen Martin, Lauren Mauldin, Emily McCuller, Kaylee McIntire, Aaron Rolan, Jordan Stafford and Miriam Williams.

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Cap Rock Energy will not subject customers to deregulation

Electric deregulation laws passed by the 76th Legislature provide discretion to cooperative and municipal electric companies to adopt a "wait and see" approach to customer choice. Along with the majority of electrical cooperatives in Texas, Cap rock Energy has determined to exercise this option and not subject its customers to deregulation at this time.

Cap rock adopts this alternative to prevent customer confusion and to avoid problems associated with customer switch overs already being experienced by consumers taking advantage of this new legislation.

Cap Rock customers will not however miss out on lower bills being promised by the effects of the deregulation. Decreasing fuel costs, a major contributor to electric rates, will allow residential Cap rock customers to realize cheaper energy costs this year compared to those in 2001. When the deregulation system has been proven, and it is determined to be in the best interests for customers, Cap Rock may then choose to participate in customer choice. Further consideration for this change includes the permanency of "opting in". Decisions to participate in a deregulated marketplace may not be rescinded.



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Bogata Methodist women meet

The Bogata Methodist Women met Wednesday, January 9 in the Fellowship Hall for the regularly scheduled meeting. Mary Kathryn Cotten presided at the business session. Jimmie Lou Pope presented an inspirational program using excerpts from the books: "Lightposts for Living" by Thomas Kinkad and "Traveling Light" by Max Lucado.

Thomas Kinkade "Paniter of Life", gives practical advice that helps us live in a world depicted in

his painting, filled with beauty, peace and love. We are told to focus on our advantages rather than material success. Make counting your blessings become a habit. Max Lucado advises to travel light by coming to God with our burdens. Releasing your burdens is the promise of the 23rd Psalm.

The meeting closed with dismissal prayer. The next meeting will be in February with Neoma Goodman as program leader.

Bogata Locals

(Call your news in at 903-632-5322.

Annette Skaggs daughter, Anita Baker of Cooper's Chapel, visited with her Friday.

Enjoying New Year's Day lunch at the home of Jessie and Willie Mae Gray were Mr. and Mrs. Jackie Gray and Jody, Ruth Varner and Buddy Hunsaker.

Billie Welch of Blossom visited Christine Baker Friday. They enjoyed lunch at the 909 Diner before Billie's return home.

Maggie Richardson of Muenster is visiting this week with her grandparents, Dan and Vicki Tabb.

Visiting Sunday overnight with Dixie Stringfellow was Lynne Knight. Monday visitors with Dixie were Vicki Tabb, Michael Tabb and Dee and Maggie Richardson of Muenster.

Happy January Birthday to: Tony Watkins, Rickey Garretson, Marion McCulley, Sonny Pryor, Rebecca E. Taylor, Mitzie Swinford, Jared Davidson, Lucas Cole Reeves, Shane Gibbs, Betty Ford, Anne Simmons, Clayton Watkins, Frances M. Rozell, Scott White, Linda Embrey, Caleb Peek, Marie Crafts, Netha Garret, Denise Duffee, Bryce Watkins, Sarah Hare, Junior Primm, Julie Watkins Shaw, Martha J. Bryson, Scott Denny, Rob Ward, Katie Lemme, Nancy Dugger and Randy Hare.

Happy Anniversary to: James and Linda Eilers; Buddy and Cindy Abernathy, Curtis and June Young and Eldon and Elma Chaloner.

Cunningham News

by Neva Jean Oats

Sunday guests of Johnny and Nelta Musgrove were Stacy, Linda, Stoney and Charity Musgrove, Shane and Zarinska Morton, Barry and Barbara Wisdom, Lynn and Betty Holeman and Alice McPherson.

Stacy and Linda Musgrove were in McAlester, OK Saturday and Sunday ministering in music.

Georgia and Billy Joe Oats honored their son, Billy Ray, with a birthday dinner Sunday. Attending were Neva, Brandon, Marsha and Brayden Oats, Kaylee Lane, Brad and Georjeana Nutt and Forrest Lawler.

James and Pat Norwood went to DeKalb Thursday to watch Lacy Cole, Halsey Norwood and Charity Musgrove play basketball.

Darold and Ida Mae Norwood went to the Grapevine Mall shopping on Tuesday.

Linda and Ricky Andeson attended a 50th birthday party for Carol Anderson Newberry Saturday. On Sunday they visited Pat and Jim West in Roxton.

Velma Cox went to her granddaughters graduation, Sarah, December 15 where she received her MBA from TCU.

Ryan and Marissa Kendal spent the weekend with Billie and Leonard Ford. David Ford has returned to SFA in Nacogdoches for the semester.

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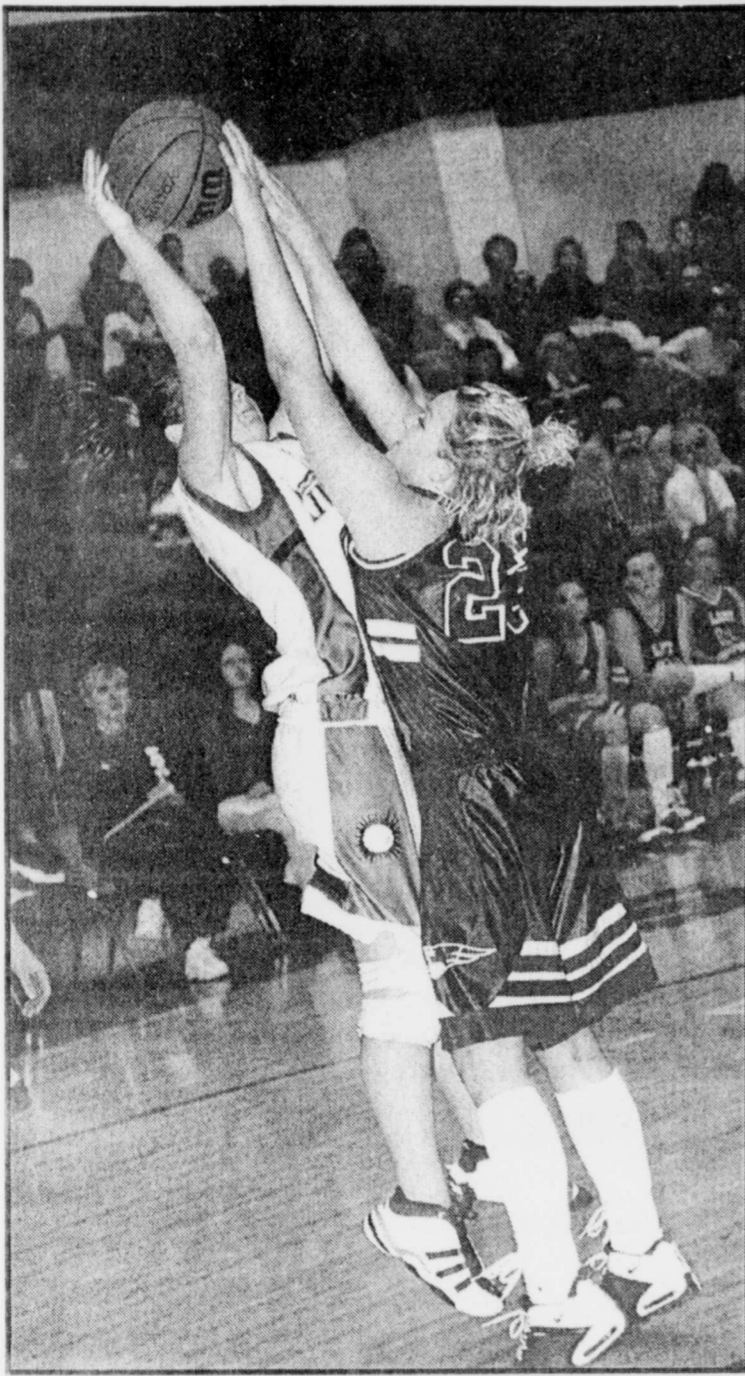
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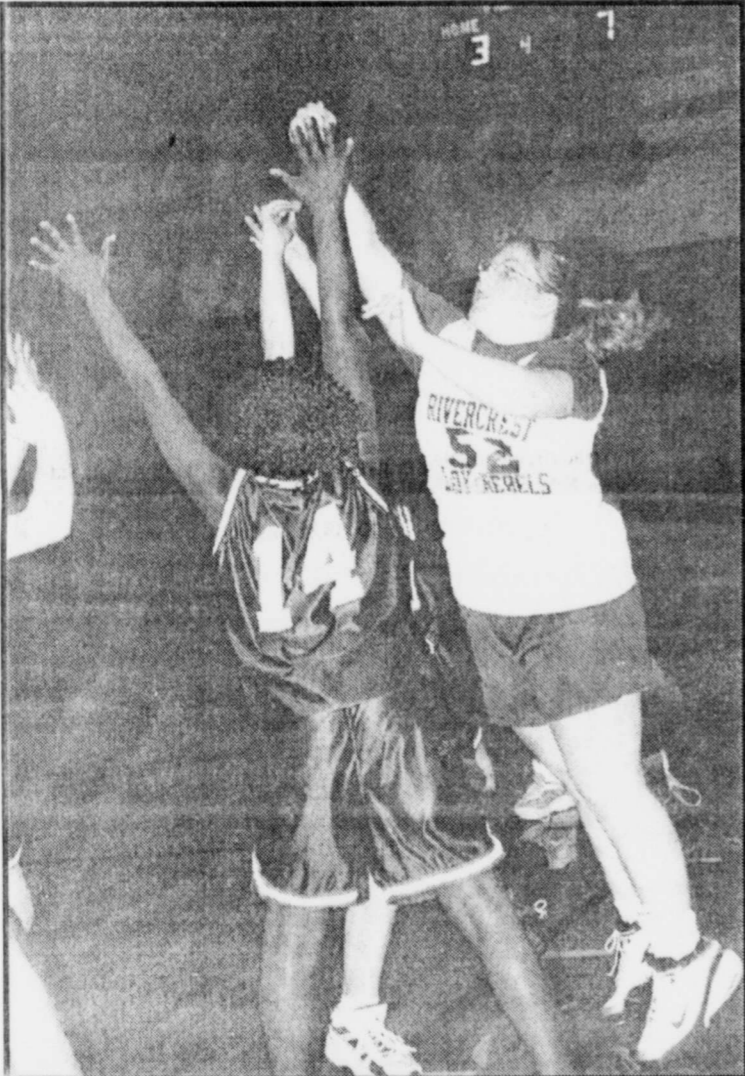
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MOLLY HARE-goes up as Lady Pat, Sara Bolton goes for the block as the Lady Rebels and Lady Patriots met Tuesday night at RHS. The Lady Rebels were victorious. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



THE JUMPER-Rebel Zach Perry gets off the floor for the jump shot as the Rebels met Prairiland last Tuesday at RHS. The Rebels were victorious over the Pats. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



MELANIE SMITH-gets her shot off as she and teammates of the Lady Rebel 7th grade B Team played Paul Pewitt Thursday at RHS. Melanie was the lone scorer for the team who were defeated 7-3. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Rebels defeat Patriots 58-43

by Nancy Brown

The Rivercrest Rebel JV and Varsity and Lady Rebel Varsity hosted the Prairiland Patriots Tuesday, January 8, 2002. The Pats took a win over the JV Rebels who played a good come-back 4th quarter that fell short and the Lady Rebel Varsity walked off the court with a win before the Varsity Rebels took the court.

The Pats and the Rebels began slowly, however, the Pats were to be under the shade throughout the game, that is, Rebel Steven Shade who was high scorer for the Rebels. The quarter ended with the Rebs up 12-9, Shade had scored his first 5 points, Dustin Jones had put in a field goal and Zach Perry had netted a trey and two free shots. In the second, Shade was almost unstoppable under the goal adding 8 points while Nathan Carroll came to life and added 4 points as well as Jeremy Grissom who added a field goal and two free shots. Grissom also had a good defensive game for the team. Halftime score was 28-17 Rebels.

In the third Ryan Newton fired in 4 points, Carroll hit a trey and field goal, Perry a field goal and Shade put in 5 more points. The Pats worked hard to take the lead but still trailed 44-32 at the quarter's end. The final quarter

saw the Pats foul frequently sending, Calan Wilcox, Ryan Newton, Nathan Carroll and Josh Cabell to the free shot line for points, plus Carroll added a trey and field goals came from Perry, Grissom and Shade to give the Rebels the win 58-43.

On Friday night the Rivercrest teams traveled to Paul Pewitt where the Rebels took another win. Steven Shade was high scorer for the team followed by Zach Perry. Also scoring were Nathan Carroll, Jeremy Grissom and Ryan Newton.

Coach Steve Weddle said, "The team has stuck together and worked through our early season growing pains. We seem to be coming around at the right time. With the Prairiland and Paul Pewitt wins the boys are right back in the playoff hunt. We didn't have a single starter back from last season so these young men have learned on the run. I am very proud of the heart they have shown".

The Rebels were to meet Hughes Springs Tuesday at RHS. Coach Weddle stated it would be a tough contest since Hughes Springs has three boys over six feet tall that the Rebels must control in order to win. Go Rebels!!!

Lady Rebels defeat Lady Patriots 43-36

by Coach Debbie Williams

The varsity Lady Rebels played in the awesome Rivercrest gym, which we are really enjoying for the games and practice. We met up with our rival, the Lady Patriots of Prairiland. We had a good mental practice Monday morning and one of our best after school practices Monday after school. The winning attitude and team spirit was in the gym. We could feel the intensity and excitement and the players knew this week was a big one for them and were ready to the meet the challenge.

The varsity Lady Rebels came out strong against the Lady Patriots. We knew this one had to be a win in our pocket and the excitement was there for the team members, as well as the spectators. We

came out with good defense on the floor and were really looking at our fast break game on a made or miss shot. We were hitting pretty good the first half and getting on the boards on the offense and defensive end. We went in at half time with a 14 point lead.

We knew Prairiland wouldn't back down. They are very competitive and stayed with it. The second half we went cold on shooting. Our defense was again doing well and we were getting good shots, but the ball didn't go in the basket for us. We shot 26% from the field for the game, 40% is a winning percentage. When the ball goes in the hole it all looks prettier. Our free throws were going in for us and this helped

Public Notices

PUBLIC NOTICE
The Rivercrest Independent School District is accepting bids for the sale of the former "Bogata School Property". The property includes approximately 4 acres located between state highway 271 and 2nd Street and adjacent to Howison Street in Bogata, as well as two permanent buildings.

Interested parties should contact the school for further descriptions of the property or to inspect the property.

Sealed bids will be accepted in the Superintendent's office until 3:00 p.m. Friday, February 15, 2002. For more information, contact Gary VanDeaver at 632-5205. Rivercrest ISD reserves the right to refuse all bids.
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PUBLIC NOTICE
The Rivercrest Independent School District is accepting bids for the sale of four portable buildings. The buildings are located on the Bogata school property and will be sold to be moved. The buildings are in varying condition and will be sold separately. Sealed bids will be accepted in the superintendent's office until 3:00 p.m., Friday, February 15, 2002. For more information, contact Gary VanDeaver at 632-5205. Rivercrest ISD reserves the right to refuse all bids.
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Texas Law Enforcement Complies with Senate Bill 1074 Racial Profiling
This department supports the 77th Texas Legislature's mandate prohibiting racial profiling in Texas. Our police officers work under a departmental policy that is consistent with all state and federal laws. The policy includes provisions for citizens to contact us if they have a conflict with a Bogata police officer.

The Bogata Police Department realizes that there will be disagreements, from time to time, with individuals that come in contact with our officers. We realize that confusion, different perceptions or possibly the timeliness of information could result in information that may produce different accounts of the same incident. These disagreements between citizens and officers need to be addressed. We trust that the vast majority of contacts between citizens and officers are conducted in a positive, professional manner. The relationship be-

tween the community and our officers is based on confidence and trust. We cannot be effective without both the community and our officers working together to achieve this goal.

Citizens feeling that they have a legitimate concern may make a formal complaint to the Bogata Police Department at any time by contacting any member of this department for information on the complaint process. Additional information about this process may be obtained by calling us at 903-632-5315.

The Bogata Police Department would like to know about positive police contacts. Please write the Chief a letter or note to let him or her know about a positive contact with our officers. Chief Clegg will let the officer know about your letter and a copy will be placed in the officer's personnel folder.

We are very proud of the relationship the Bogata Police Department shares with the community. Our long-standing goal is to provide our citizens with a safe community where all may live without the fear of crime.

Charles R. Clegg,
Police Chief
Bogata Police Department
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Patti Donovan, City Secretary
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Red River County Sheriff's Report

January 7-13

January 7: Male arrested on charge of possession of marijuana; minor accident on 82 west; inmate released after paying fine; structure fire in Caneywell; criminal mischief on FM195; inmate released on modified probation per judge's order; male arrested for no DL upon demand; reckless driver on 37N.

January 8: Inmate released on bond; male arrested for failure to stop and give info, no DL and no liability insurance, released on bond; aggravated assault; male arrested on possession of marijuana, public intoxication and aggravated assault w/deadly weapon; male arrested for failure to ID on demand; one arrested on Lamar County warrant for possession of marijuana.

January 9: Theft in Bogata; family violence at Detroit Elementary; male arrested on Lamar County warrant for TBC; male arrested for sexual assault; male arrested on warrant for violation of probation; female arrested on TBC for Lamar County; male arrested for FTA; inmate released on bond; welfare concern on 44S; report of theft; structure fire.

January 10: Female arrested for IBC, released with fines paid; animal complaint on Hwy. 82 west; burglary of building on 37S; female arrested on warrant for forgery and Lamar County warrant for MTR/DWLS; male arrested on warrants for burglary of habitation and assault; noise disturbance in Avery; criminal mischief in Detroit.

January 12: Loud noise on 114; activated alarm at Detroit High School; shots fired on 44 S; theft on 271 at Rugby; inmate released on bond; inmate paid fines for IBC x10; major accident in Avery.

January 13: Aggravated assault with deadly weapon on CR2140; male arrested on charge of aggravated assault with deadly weapon; medical emergency on 410N; criminal mischief in Woodland; activated alarm at Detroit elementary; civil disturbance west of Bagwell; major accident; assisted Fire Department in Avery; loose cattle on 410N; suspicious vehicle in Johtown; burglary of habitation in Detroit.

Red River County Jail currently holds 35 inmates.

The following article ran in The Detroit News-Herald, Thursday, August 29, 1946

Driving Expert Decries Enclosed Rear Fenders

Automobile manufacturers have been cautioned that enclosed rear fenders can be a serious cause of accidents and driver inconvenience and that safety factors and functional design should be placed ahead of fancy, impractical style trends. Speaking before the Society of Automotive Engineers, Prof. Amos E. Neyhart of the Pennsylvania State college, and driver training expert for the American Automobile association, declared the present trend toward enclosed rear fenders will lead to dissatisfaction and complaint by owners and service station men.

When rear fenders are brought down by means of fixed or removable skirts to a point below the wheel rim, they immediately in several ways discourage proper tire servicing, putting on anti-skid chains needed for snow or ice, or switching tires to prolong wear, he declared. In criticizing extreme streamlining, Neyhart said curves and wheel circles are pleasing to the eye and questioned the wisdom of completely hiding wheels for non-functional style reasons. He summarized harmful effects of extreme rear fender styling as follows:

They discourage checking air in rear tires; they discourage safety checks for wear, surface defects, etc.; they discourage rotating tires from wheel to wheel; they make it harder to put on tire chains needed for snow, ice, or mud, and they make it harder than ever to change tires when trouble occurs.

Rivercrest 6th grade class to participate in All Star program

The Rivercrest 6th grade students will be participating in a special program this semester called All Stars. The program focuses on character development by helping students identify positive ideals, establish conventional norms, build personal commitments and strengthen bonds between students and the school. The ultimate goal of the program is to reduce substance use, violence and premature sexual activity of our youth. The program will be taught by Bill Provence.

The All Stars program has been evaluated in the past with very positive results. The program in-

volves parents through assignments with parent participation. Assignments are designed to give the parent an opportunity to discuss issues important to adolescents. There will also be a meeting for parents with the All Stars teacher that will be planned during the year. In addition, parents with extra time can play a helpful role in some of the classroom activities. Volunteers are appreciated. Parents are urged to feel free to call Mr. Provence at the school at 379-3841.

The students will attend class 1 day a week for 17 weeks. All students will receive a tee-shirt

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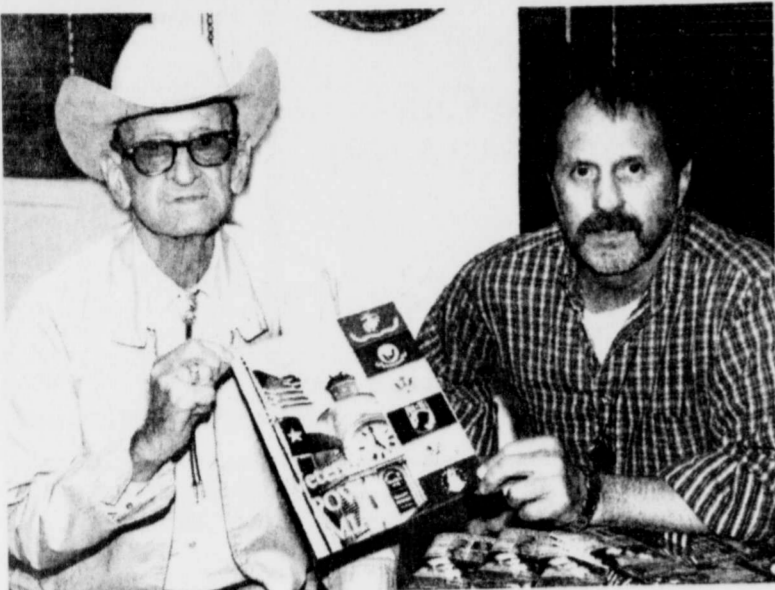
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AARP driver safety program

The AARP Driver Safety refresher course for drivers 50 and older will be held at the Federal Savings and Loan in Clarksville on January 14 and 15 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. A second class will begin on January 28 and 29 from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Detroit Community Center. Cost of the class is \$10. The course covers age related physical change in perception and reaction time, rules of the road and driving problems. Those completing the course may be eligible for discounts on their insurance. For preregistration call Russ Dorrrough in Clarksville at 903-427-2491 or 427-2975; or Detroit 903-674-5111 or the AARP Driver Safety Program at 1-888-227-7669.

Bogata Book Club meets

Eleanor McCleure and Mary Margaret Vaughan were hostesses for the the January meeting of the Bogata Book Club. Roll call was answered with "Family Members who served in World War II". Wanda Bradley was program leader and she introduced the Greg Hildebrand family. Greg Hildebrand is of German descent and gave a very informative program about his family and their hardships during and after World War II. He displayed some items from Germany and gave a short history of each item. A refreshment plate was served to thirteen members and three guests.

Since my sister, Crystal (Bell) Davidson, and I have been old enough to do our own Christmas shopping, we have made it a priority to choose a child's name from the Angel Tree at Wal-Mart. Each year we get together and decide how much we can spend and we go pick out an angel. If we are able to spend more one year, then we will pick a child that has a rather large or expensive toy on their wish list. We make sure that they ask for, and more if possible. We love this time of year where we can give back to someone else that needs it more than we do.

Around 1997 Crystal and I were really excited about buying for our angel, which happened to be a

little boy that year. We picked out clothes and shoes, and whatever else we thought the boy would really need, but the toy on the child's wish list was a bicycle. We decided that we wanted to spend enough to get a really great bike, so we were going to wait until we could afford what we really wanted. We also decided that the child should have a lot more toys, so we went on a big shopping spree. As much fun as we were having, you would have thought we were buying the toys for ourselves. As time passed, the deadline for turning in the presents was nearing fast and we had gone a little overboard on our budget. We were afraid that we wouldn't be able to buy a more expensive bicycle for the child, as we had intended, but we refused to return any of the items we had already purchased. We were determined to make this child's Christmas very special, so we decided to just pray that everything would work out for the best.

Early one morning, Crystal received a phone call from one of

the local radio stations. The station had drawn her name for a girl's bicycle that Crystal never signed up for. Still she was very

excited and appreciative. The radio station asked her, as they always do, "What Radio Station is number one?" Well Crystal had no idea which station she was talking to so, of course, she flubbed up and said the wrong station name. After a little embarrassment, she finally got through the promo and agreed to go pick up the bicycle.

Later, Crystal called to ask if I had signed her up to win a bicycle. I said "Oh yea, I entered our names in a drawing for a child's bike at work (Wal-Mart) one night. She informed me that she had won the bicycle, but that it was a girls bike. Since the bicycle

had been donated to the Radio Station by Wal-Mart, of course we were allowed to exchange it for a boys bike. I guess I should mention that I was supposed to be working, instead of filling out lots of entries for this bicycle, which is against store policy. I guess I should have felt bad about this, but how could I, because I broke one little rule, a child was able to receive their Christmas wish! Some may say that this was just luck, that could never happen again, but we believe that this was proof that the Lord does work in mysterious ways!

As children we thought the phrase "It's better to give than to receive", was a little backwards, but as we matured, we realized just how true those words were. I don't think our parents have ever been able to give us a Christmas

present as special as the one we received that year. My wish this holiday season, is that everyone can experience the Gift of giving, as we did in 1997.

La Tonya (Bell) Miller Bogata

Talco Locals

Please call your locals news in to 379-4445

In honor of his 70th birthday, Frankie Harrell was given a gift package by his daughter and son-in-law, Carla and Mark McClanahan which included dinner at the beautiful Platinum Club in the American Airlines Center, as well as tickets to the Dallas Mavericks and San Antonio Spurs basketball game. He and his wife, Maxine, attended the January 5 game and report that they had a wonderful time even though the Mavericks lost.

Happy January Birthday to: Yvonne Waldrum, Maxine Harrell, Jackie Crowley, Lorinne

Little. Anita Baker of Cooper's Chapel visited with Nancy Brown Friday evening.

Cynthia Jones was hospitalized last week at Titus County Regional Hospital and taken on the a Tyler hospital. She is reported improving.

Jimmy and Rhonda Taylor visited Eddie and Nancy Brown Sunday afternoon.

L.D. Richeson is reported home and doing well following a recent hospitalization at Titus County Regional.

Talco gift subscription...

To R. R. Rothwell from Ricky and Lori Franks.

Bogata Gift Subs.....

To: Lorene Bogie, Jerry Benham and Johnny Benham From: Kenneth and Gay Logan

To: Ruth Reynolds From: Pat Jeffery

To: Nina Hudson From: David Hudson

84 Club hosted by Maurine Mankins

Maurine Mankins was hostess to members of the 84 and 42 Club. Thursday afternoon at her home.

Two tables were arranged for the games and delicious refreshments were served to the following: Shirley Allums, Ethel Epps, Beth Ruthardt, Wootie Harville, Bonnie Smith, Bertha McCall, Helen Williams, Maggie Lee, Jimmie King and the hostess.

The February meeting will be with Shirley Allums as hostess.



Huddleston DRAWING \$50 in Groceries Saturday, 5:00 p.m.

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<p>PRODUCE</p> <p>BANANAS 49¢ Lb.</p> <p>APPLES 59¢ Lb.</p> <p>ORANGES 49¢ Lb.</p> <p>POTATOES 10 Lb. Bag \$2.69</p> <p>TOMATOES 99¢ Lb.</p> <p>GREEN ONIONS 3/\$1</p>		<p>KELLOGG'S RICE KRISPIES 22 Oz.</p> <p>FRUIT LOOPS 24 Oz.</p> <p style="font-size: large; text-align: center;">Each \$2.49</p>		<p>COKE, DIET COKE, SPRITE</p> <p>DR. PEPPER, DIET DR. PEPPER</p> <p>2 Liter 99¢ 3 Liter \$1.79</p> <p>12 Pk. \$3.49</p> <p>6 Pk. 16 Oz. Btls. \$1.99</p>	