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Rain and Autumn really might help!

And then, they pulled out their guns and shot each other dead on the street! No, it hasn't happened around here, but if we don't get some nice rain and perhaps the hints of autumn in the air it seems like it might happen!

Whatever am I babbling about? Rumors, ill tempers, arguments.

I have absolutely heard more unfounded rumors the past few weeks than can be imagined.

For the record, folks, no dead bodies have been discovered around here, and there was no meth lab next to where the body that wasn't supposedly was!

And, we all need to get a nice cool something to sip on, put our feet up and relax!

I go to lots of meetings, and so does my husband. I get lots of letters, and I get lots of phone calls.

And, whether aimed at me or someone else, there is a distinct edge to things right now.

Folks are hot, they are tired and they are ready to flare up much quicker than usual.

It seems that there are so many "factions" so many "camps" that decisions are difficult to make and getting along is even harder.

Everyone wants what they want when they want it. And, they are ready to fight to get it.

I've taken a few "chewings" lately, enough that I should wear a size six instead of my usual plus size! And, mostly, I've resisted the temptation to snapback. But, normally I don't HAVE the temptation to snap back!

I think it has to be heat related.

Think about every western movie you ever saw. Very, very seldom did the characters stalk down the Main Street of a snowy western town. No, it's always with a hard, dust filled wind cutting at them.

Signs squeak in the wind, tumble weeds roll down the street.

It's not raining, nor snowing, and the spring flowers are never in bloom during those old timey cowboy confrontations.

Personally, I think that's because if the weather weren't so hot and dry they would have gone to the saloon for a nice drink together instead of squaring off with murder on their minds!

So, I'll enjoy these cloudy days, and pray for a nice, life-giving shower.

And hope all of us get a little bit of a grip and step back from our aggression or irritation.

After all, it's the middle of August, the dog days are almost over and autumn is on its way.

In the mean time, stay cool and collected, and let's all work harder at not imitating those old Westerns!



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Council accepts Bogata School building, listens to speaker

The Bogata City Council had a full agenda on Monday, Aug. 12th.

Local businessman James Wood addressed the council in relation to the new budget. Mr. Wood outlined his concerns as a Christmas list, and council members "should be prepared to tighten their budget belt at present time due to the state of the local economy".

Wood asked the council to categorize projects as a list of wants, needs, wish fors and what the city can afford. Citizens on a fixed income, residents who have faced cutbacks or job layoffs "are not able to afford an increase in taxes or utilities at this time" he stressed. Wood challenged the council to appoint a committee made up of personnel not associated with any city department to suggest to the council the projects that the people feel need to be pursued.

He also pled with the council to not pursue a grant to build a city complex to house a civic center, city offices, fire department and police department.

The council agreed to allow Mayor Randy Kennedy appoint a committee to help council decide what projects council will pursue.

All council members were in attendance and approximately

forty guests.

Roger Dean of Dean and Son Properties of Texarkana discussed road repair inside the city limits. The road repair proposed was tabled until the council can consider the course of action to take that would be the most beneficial to the city.

Police Chief Charles Clegg reported that deputy John Davidson has resigned and Jason Henry of Commerce has been hired to fill the position vacated on the police force.

Officer Henry has four years of experience in code enforcement and will be used in code enforcement for the city.

Chief Charles Clegg also informed the council that he does not wish to be involved in any grant applications in the future, and addressed the issue of his not living in the city. Clegg stated that he pays as much out of his own pocket for uniforms, and equipment to be used by the city than he would pay in city taxes if he lived in the city limits.

Another hot issue on the agenda was whether to accept or reject an offer made by David Rozell to give the city the Bogata School building and property for \$1.00.

Councilman Charles Don Lewis

spoke out against the acceptance of the building since the cafeteria part of the complex has already been sold to a local business.

In the end, the motion was made by Councilman Roland Screws to accept the building for 0 amount of money and the council will pay all closing costs. Brian Strickland seconded the motion. The vote resulted in a tie vote with Jerry House abstaining. Mayor Randy Kennedy cast the vote to break the tie in favor to accept the building.

No action was taken on applying for a grant to build a city complex.

No action was taken on raising the franchise tax from 2% to 4% of gross revenues between the city and TXU.

The council agreed to give city employee Kay Kneading a 50¢ per hour raise.

The council gave the nod to hire David Rozell to cut down a dead tree at the east end of the park and grind the stump for \$800.

A budget workshop was scheduled for Monday, August 19th at 6:30 P.M. at which time a committee selected by Mayor Kennedy should be at the meeting.

No body, no drug lab located at Shadowland after tip

According to reports from the Red River County Sheriff's Department, a 48 hour vigil last week ended at a dead end investigation at the present time.

Apparently, a "bad source" of information was passed on to the Sheriff's Office last week. The information claimed that a body was seen in an old silo located at Shadowland, between FM 410 and Deport. Also, rumors of a drug lab located at that same site were

passed along, but after an extensive search no evidence was found to substantiate either of the stories.

A DPS dive team assisted the Red River County Sheriff's Department and the Drug Task Force in a search of the old silo, which as some water in it. Personnel worked around the clock until the investigation was concluded, with neither a body nor a drug lab being located.

"Back to School Night" at Rivercrest Elementary

Rivercrest Elementary PTO will sponsor a "Back to School Night" on Thursday, August 15, 2002 at the new Rivercrest Elementary. Students will have the opportunity to bring their school supplies, meet their teachers and see their classrooms.

The PTO will have a hamburger supper also on this night as a fund raiser. A hamburger or hot dog plate with beans, chips, dessert and drink will be \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children 12 and under. Serving will begin at 6:00

p.m. and will continue until 8:00 p.m. Student and their parents will go to their classrooms anytime between 6:00 and 8:00 p.m.

The PTO will also begin this year's membership drive at this time. Memberships are \$2.00 each and the group would like to have every parent/guardian at the school involved.

The public is also invited to come and support the PTO and enjoy a good hamburger supper. The building may also be toured by visitors.

West Nile Virus case suspected in Talco

By Nancy Brown

Donnette Parrot of Talco could possibly be the first case of West Nile Virus in the area, but she waits for a positive confirmation of her test results. Donnette and her family returned last Sunday from a trip to the Gulf Coast. While there she reported the weather beautiful with a breeze blowing every day except on Friday evening. She went out on the deck of the place they were staying and said her legs were instantly covered in mosquitos. Thinking nothing of it she brushed them off and went inside. Sunday on the trip home Donnette said she felt really tired.

On Monday she had to force herself to do some housework and by afternoon had a bad headache. She is prone to have migraine

type headaches so this was not unusual. By Tuesday the pain in her head was severe and she went to a local doctor's office, and was able to see the nurse practitioner. She was given two shots and a prescription.

By Wednesday morning the pain was much worse and Donnette returned to the doctor. He sent her straight to the hospital where she had a spinal tap. The

normal protien in a human's spinal fluid should be 20-40. Donnette's reports that hers was 140. West Nile Virus also causes swelling of the brain so a brain scan was ordered and test results were sent to a lab to see whether she could possibly have West Nile Virus.

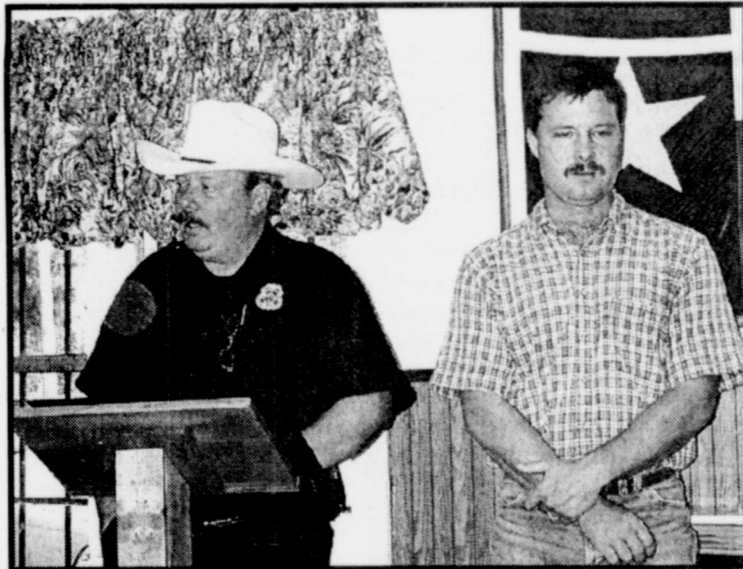
As of press time no confirmation has been made as to whether Mrs. Parrot has the virus, which is affecting humans, birds and animals.

She is at home and is improving daily. On Tuesday when I spoke to her she stated the pain was much less but she is still having to take pain medication around every 6 hours.

The symptoms of Mrs. Parrot's condition started as a very tired feeling, headache which escalated, stiffness in the neck and finally down the spine.

Mrs. Parrot said she is not sure when her tests results will be in but will report the results when she receives them.

For now, she is wished a speedy recovery from whatever has made her ill.



BOGATA POLICE CHIEF Charles Clegg introduced new Bogata City Policeman Jason Henry of Commerce to the council and those attending the meeting Monday night. He was hired to replace John Davidson who resigned to a position elsewhere. (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)



LOCAL BUSINESSMAN James Wood addresses the Bogata City council Monday night concerning goals and the new city budget. (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)



BOGATA MAYOR Randy Kennedy cast the deciding vote to accept the Bogata School building donated by David Rozell to the city. (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)

Bogata under burn ban

City Fire Marshal Wayne Martin announced Monday that due to the present dry conditions that exist, the City of Bogata is under a burn ban until further notice.

Anyone with a special need to burn should not do so without obtaining permission from the City Fire Marshal.

Where, after all, do universal human rights begin? In small places, close to home—so close and small that they cannot be seen in any map of the world.

-Eleanor Roosevelt



KEEP IT CONTROLLED—Detroit, Bogata, Deport and Clarksville Fire Departments responded to a two story frame house fire in Fulbright on Saturday. The Bo and Connie Phosay home was totally destroyed and everything the family owned lost. The fire departments had to use a great deal of skill to keep adjoining structures from catching fire. (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)

Final sign-up for Rivercrest Pee Wee Football

The final sign-up for Rivercrest Pee Wee Football (football only, not cheerleaders) this season will be held on Saturday, August 17, 2002 from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. at the Rivercrest High School cafeteria. This is the last

chance for players to sign-up. No players will be taken after this date.

The fee per child this year will be \$60.00 each. All children in grades second through sixth are invited to participate.

Shower to help Phosay family

A fire completely destroyed the home of Connie & Bo Phosay in Fulbright on Saturday. No one was at home at the time of the fire and the house was completely engulfed in smoke and fire when it was discovered. All contents were lost.

There will be a shower for the family at the Fulbright Baptist Church Fellowship Hall on Saturday, August 17 from 2 until 3 p.m. There was no insurance on the home or contents.

If you would like to donate household goods, furniture or clothing, it would be appreciated.

There has been a fund established at Community National Bank in Detroit for anyone wishing to make a cash contribution. You may do so by going by the

bank or mailing your contributions to the account of Connie Phosay, Community National Bank, P.O. Box 279, Detroit, TX 76536-0297.

Items may also be brought to the shower on Saturday. Clothing sizes for the family are:

To: Shirt, large; pants, 33x32; shoes, 8 1/2.

Connie: T-shirt, 3X; dress, 22-24 women's; pants 24 plus size; shoes, 8-8 1/2 wide.

Rachel: Shirt, M; pants, 12 misses; shoes, 6 1/2 ladies.

Jennifer: Shirt, M; pants, 14 misses; shoes, 7 ladies.

Jacob: Shirt, M; pants, 10; shoes, 5 1/2 youth.

Stephanie: Shirt, 6; girls; dress, 5T; pants, 4; shoes, 13.

Country Cooking
By Liz Irwin



With school beginning next Monday, everyone will want an after-school snack when they get home. We are featuring some cool, quick recipes for just that. Kids like a variety of desserts as well as the adults.
Try some of these, I think you might enjoy them. See you in the kitchen!
BANANA SPLIT CAKE-keep this hand in the fridge for a really "cool" dessert!

CHERRY CRUNCH-quick and easy, rich but good!
FRUIT PIZZA-use whatever fruits your family enjoys!
OOEY GOOEY-everyone will like this one!
BREAD PUDDING-this is an old recipe taken from a 1912 cookbook.....so you know it is good!
POPSICLE MIX-pour into molds.....freeze for a quick refresher!

Thursday, August 15, 2002
Just Recipes

- Banana-Split Cake**
1 stick margarine-melted
2 cups crushed graham crackers
2 sticks margarine
2 eggs
2 cups powdered sugar
1 can crushed pineapple-drained
4 bananas-slice lengthwise
1 large carton Cool-Whip
1/2 cup chopped pecans
Mix 1 stick melted margarine and graham crackers. Pat into a 13x9x2-inch pan. Beat 2 sticks of margarine, eggs and powdered sugar for 15 minutes. Spread over unbaked crust. Cover with sliced bananas and pineapple. Cover with Cool-Whip and sprinkle with pecans and cherries. Refrigerate over night.
- Cherry Crunch**
2 cups flour
2 sticks margarine
1/4 cup brown sugar
1 box Dream Whip
1 cup milk
1 pound powdered sugar
8 ounce package cream cheese
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 can cherry pie filling
1/2 cup pecans
Mix together the flour, margarine and brown sugar. Brown; stir while browning. This is the crust. Place in casserole dish. Mix together the Dream Whip and milk. In another bowl, mix the powdered sugar and cream cheese and vanilla. Add sugar mixture to Dream Whip mixture. Add to dish, alternating with pie filling and pecans. Chill.
- Fruit Pizza**
for crust:
1 pound butter at room temperature
1-1/2 cups sugar
1/2 teaspoon vanilla
1 egg
5 cups flour
Beat butter and sugar together until light and fluffy. Add vanilla and egg; add flour alternately. Bake in pizza pan at 400 degrees until brown around edges. Makes two crusts.topping:
8 ounces cream cheese
1 small jar marshmallow cream
Let cream cheese stand until room temperature. Mix with marshmallow creme and spread on pizza crust. Top with any chopped fruit you desire and chill.
- Ooey Gooey**
1 box butter-flavored cake mix
1/2 cup melted butter
1 egg
1 cup chopped pecans
Mix above ingredients in 9x13-inch pan and pack down well. topping:
1 pound box powdered sugar
2 eggs
8 ounce package cream cheese at room temperature. With mixer combine above ingredients and pour over cake mixture and bake at 350 degrees for 40-50 minutes. Cool before cutting.
- Bread Pudding**
1 small loaf dry bread-divided
2 level teaspoons baking powder
1/2 cup sugar
2 eggs-well beaten
1/2 teaspoon salt
1 teaspoon vanilla
1 quart milk
1/4 cup butter-melted
Grate bread until you have 2 cups and place crumbs in buttered casserole. Mix baking powder and sugar together. Crumble remaining bread; add baking powder mixture, eggs, salt, vanilla, milk and butter, mixing well. Pour mixture into casserole dish and bake at 350 degrees for 30 minutes.
- Popsicle Mix**
2 packages kool-aid
1-3/4 cup sugar
1 package jello to match kool-aid flavor
Mix above and store in airtight container. When ready to make Popsicles, take 6 tablespoons of mixture and add 3/4 cup very hot water and stir until dissolved; then add 3/4 cup cold water. Pour into molds and freeze.

Fulbright News
BY BETTY RODGERS
652-6051

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Arriaga and Betty Rodgers made a trip to New Mexico to see Betty's sister, Ruby. On the way they stopped by her other sister, Bernice Thomas, in Boyd and she went with them. They all enjoyed the visit and the trip.
Melissa and Gilbert Arriaga spent the weekend in Dallas with his mother and relatives.
Marla Crump and granddaughters visited Betty Rodgers Sunday. Marla and Preston were visitors of Duane, Charity and girls, also.
Mr. and Mrs. Clovis VanDeaver had their daughter, Linda Salter and grandson, Marshal, as visitors last weekend.

Recent visitors of Jimmy King were Kay and Dave German of Whitney. Duane and Bobby King and Kutchie King visited Wednesday, Dick King visited Friday and Saturday and has been doing some field work. Kyle King came by Sunday.
Butch Peek is tearing down the old Lassiter home. Lots of work being done in the hayfields right now. Betty Rodgers is having her home repainted and repair work done.

Stew cookoff is September 7

The annual Red River County Stew Cookoff will be held Saturday, September 7 at the fairgrounds in Clarksville.
The cook-off is a major fundraising activity for the County Fair and is open to all organizations, clubs or individuals residing in Red River County. Trophies and cash prizes will be awarded to first, second and third place winners. Plaques will be awarded in Showmanship and also for the best kit.
For a copy of the rules or if you would like to register to cook, contact the County Extension office at 402 N. Cedar or call 427-3867.

PJC fall registration set

Fall registration for students planning to attend Paris Junior College will be held August 21 and 22, according to Admissions Director Sheila Reece.
Students who haven't already registered for the fall term will enroll in the Learning Center from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. each day.
The schedule on August 21 calls for students whose last name begins with R through Z to register from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Students with a last name beginning with L through Q will register from 1 to 6 p.m.
On August 22, students whose last name begins with E through K will register from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., and students with a last name beginning with A through D will register from 1 to 6 p.m.

RED RIVER COUNTY ROOTS

This week's query is from Ms. Merle Miller, 5701 S. CR 1285, Midland, TX 79706. She is researching the Stansell family. It is unknown if any Stansells settled in Red River County, many Stansell descendants lived in Lamar County. The first of the family came to Texas was William John Thomas Stansell, born 1850-60, possibly in Clay County, AL. He was known as John and is believed to have lived in Titus County at one time. His brother, James Charles Zwingle Stansell also moved from Alabama and he and his wife had 10 children in Lamar County. John married twice in Alabama and left three grown children there. The family information states he died suddenly working on a roof, but the location is not known.
If you have a query you would like to have placed in this column, please send to the Red River Genealogical Society, P.O. Box 516, Clarksville, Texas 75426.

Card of Thanks

We wish to send thanks to the Depart, Detroit, Bogata and Clarksville fire departments for the great job they did controlling the fire that destroyed the home of Mr. and Mrs. To Phosay Saturday morning. Other homes nearby could have been destroyed if they had not responded as quickly as they did. Our community is grateful for their fine work.

Also, a sincere thanks to the Bogata Fire Department for their quick response to the grass fire east of Fulbright on Thursday afternoon.

Fulbright Community

Card of Thanks

We would like to thank all who attended our 60th wedding anniversary and for many gifts, home visits and phone calls we received.
Special thanks to Bro. Bush for the renewing of our vows. A very special thanks to Danny and Pam Greer, Linda and Mike Ramsey and Vicki Long for all their efforts to make it a success.
Jesse & Dixie Greer

Obituaries

Doris Kenemore dies August 11

Services for Doris Kenemore, 83 of Memphis, TX were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, August 13 at Travis Baptist Church with Rev. Johnnie Snider officiating. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of Hughs Funeral Home in Memphis.
Mrs. Kenemore died August 11 in Memphis.

She was born February 19, 1919 in Clarksville, TX to the late Carl E. Woods and Mable Huggins Woods. She attended school in Clarksville and moved to Memphis in 1954 from Deport. She married Harley F. Kenemore April 14, 1937 in Clarksville. He preceded her in death June 30, 1973. She was a homemaker and member of the Travis Baptist Church and was preceded in death by two sons, one brother and two sisters.

Surviving are a son, Gail M. Kenemore of Hobbs, NM; daughters, Betty Cruise of Greenville, Mary Watson of Memphis, Wanda K. Canida of Amarillo, Patsy N. Crump of Odessa, Dianne King of Memphis and Janice M. Moss of Amarillo; and two brothers, Gordon Woods of Honey Grove and Clifton Woods of Paris; one sister, Maurine Stanphill of Dallas; 15 grandchildren; 46 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

Card of Thanks

The family of Toby Sears and Earline Clark would like to express our sincere appreciation for all of the prayers, food, cards, flowers and donations. Thanks also to Wood Funeral Home and a special thanks to the ladies of the First Baptist Church of Bogata who provided a wonderful lunch for our family and friends after the service.

**Roy & Shirley Henderson
Vicki English
Kayla Sears
Jason Sears & Family
Ricky & Robin Henderson & Family**

Card of Thanks

We want to take a minute to thank Thunder Prairie Publishing and Liz Irwin for your continued support of our second Saturday breakfasts in Blossom. If you have become one of our "regulars" or are a newcomer, we thank you. Hash browns have been added for the same price. We continue to support BVFD and our community as needs arise.
Thank you,
Blossom Fire Belles

Robbie Nell Cooper dies August 10

Robbie Nell Cooper, age 74 of Clarksville, died Saturday, August 10 at ETMC, Clarksville.

Services were held Tuesday, August 13 at 10:00 a.m. in the Lindeman Chapel of Clarksville Funeral Home with Mike Demory and Rev. Don Shovan officiating. Burial followed in Lone Star Cemetery under the direction of Clarksville Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Austin and Will Cooper, Rusty Cooper, Max Cannaday, George Gordon, Richard Harvey, Carl Hendrix.

She was born in Red River County, the Mosley community, June 20, 1928, a daughter of Earl and Maude Mitchell Legate. She was a homemaker and member of the Church of Christ. She graduated from Fulbright High School and Paris Junior College with honors.

Mrs. Cooper taught Bible classes for many years but for the last 24 years, she taught Cradle Roll, her favorite.

Her husband, Morris T. Cooper, preceded her in death April 16, 1984, along with a brother, Billy Legate.

Surviving are sons, Ron Cooper of Avery, Randy Cooper and wife Joyce of Gilmer and Keith Cooper of Clarksville and seven grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Card of Thanks

I want to thank our many friends for their love and concern in the loss of my sister, Janice Davis. Everything was helpful; the calls, cards, food, flowers and the donations to Bridges Chapel Cemetery, the Talco Ex-student Scholarship Fund, the Bogata Methodist Church and the Franklin County Historical Society. We had the visitation in Dallas for her friends and loved ones who were her second family from her work with Sedco and Desk and Derrick Club. She was indeed an oil field kid. The graveside eulogy was given by our family members and we thank them for making it so meaningful. Thanks to the Wood Funeral Home for helping us with the Dallas funeral service selection.
Mary Kathryn Cotten & Family

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Plans progress for gala

The CHRISTUS St. Joseph's Health System Foundation continues to plan for its Oct. 5 gala, with members of the Foundation's underwriting committee currently completing sponsorship calls.
Anyone wishing to become an underwriter for this year's gala, and who has not yet been contacted, may call Raymond Armstrong, CHRISTUS St. Joseph's director of development, at (903) 737-1163 or 737-1161.
Individual tickets for the gala are expected to go on sale in September.
Members of the underwriting committee, chaired by Robert Campbell, are Philip Cecil, Dick Severson, Arthur Tijerina, M.D., Steve Rowlan, M.D., Larry Love, M.D., Steve Graves, M.D., Gene Stallings, Jo Ann Parkman, John Kirkman, Don McCaskill, Charles Lynch, Charles Hill, Jim Bell, Sims Norment, Curtis Fendley, Lisa Higgins, Gary Young, Frank Ray, Melinda Love, Kathy Floyd, Gerald Brandon, Phil Fletcher, Mike McBride, Roy Sparks, Pat Bassano and Bobby Walters.
Proceeds from the 2002 CHRISTUS St. Joseph's gala, "Some Enchanted Evening," will be used to establish a nursing scholarship fund for Lamar County residents who wish to pursue a nursing degree to become a registered nurse. Scholarship recipients will be required to sign

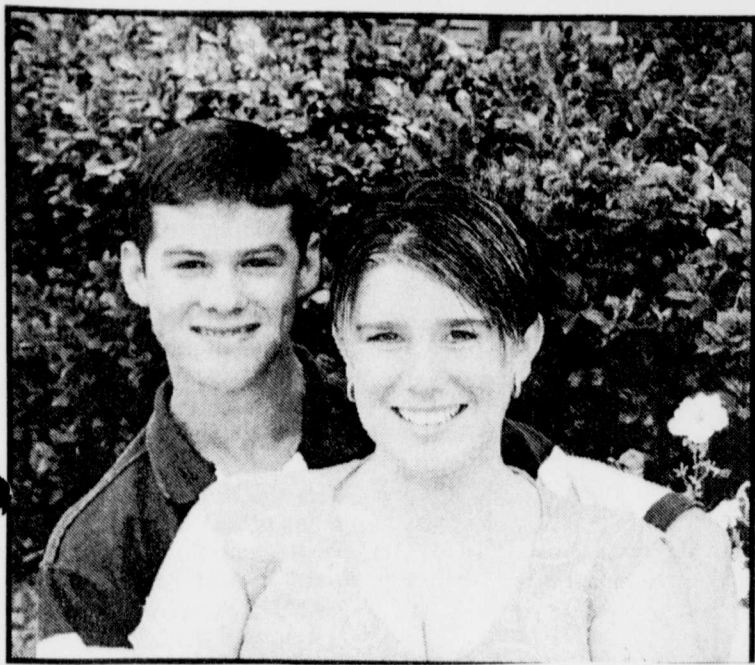
an agreement to work for CHRISTUS St. Joseph's Health System for a minimum of one year following graduation. Scholarships will also be offered to RNs working toward an advanced nursing degree and who are interested in teaching after completing the program.
"The nursing shortage is a problem that seriously threatens our healthcare system locally and on a national level," explained Dr. James Brunette, 2002 gala chairman. "We have cycled through shortages in the past; however, this shortage is viewed as more serious since it is occurring at a critical time when the "baby boomer" generation will need more intense, long term health care services, and the majority of nurses currently in the workforce will be retiring."
Almost 60 percent of the nation's registered nurses are over 40, and a decade-long decline in enrollment in nursing education programs has created a shortfall in the pipeline. According to government projections, another 450,000 nurses may be needed by the year 2008 to meet the demand.
According to Paris Junior College officials, the total cost of tuition, books, fees, etc. for the associate degree nursing program is \$6,653, and many students require financial aid in order to make ends meet.

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Amber Nicole Norwood and Mathew Dane Galloway

Norwood-Galloway to exchange vows

Mr. and Mrs. Scotty Norwood of Cunningham and Mr. and Mrs. John Galloway of Tom, OK proudly announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their children, Amber Nicole Norwood and Mathew Dane Galloway.

The double ring ceremony will take place on Saturday, August 31, 2002 at six o'clock in the evening at the home of Ross and Laura Miller in Blossom. Rev. Joe Merrill will officiate the ceremony.

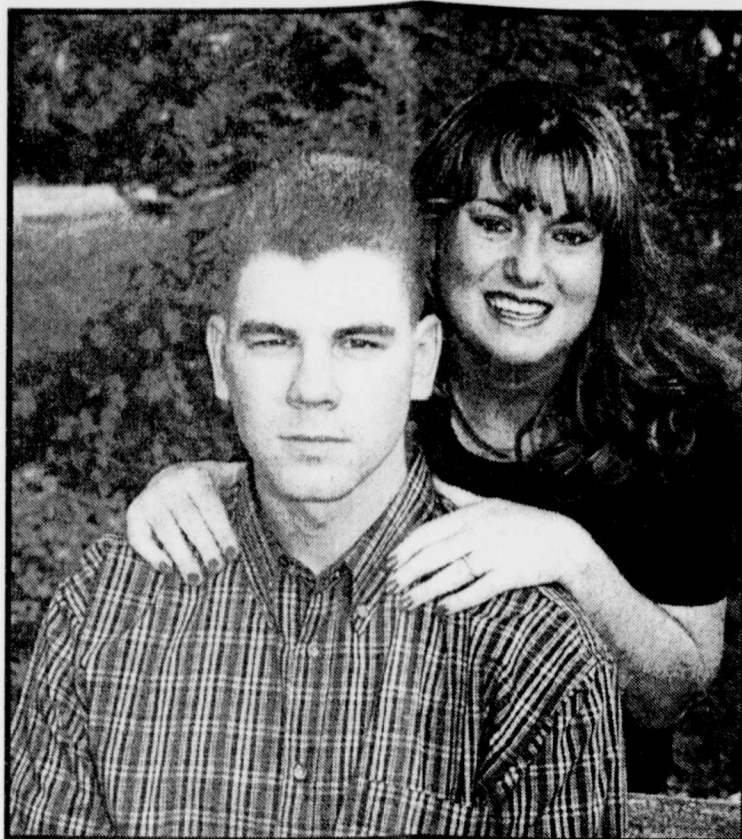
The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Laura and Ross Miller of Blossom and the late Virgel Duncan and Geneva Norwood of Cunningham and the late Gene

Norwood. She is a 2000 graduate of Prairiland High School and is employed by Dr. Regina Easton of Oaris as a dental assistant.

Her fiancé is the grandson of Calvin and Eva Jean Galloway of Tom, OK. Doug Williams of Idabel, OK and Pat Williams of Amarillo. He is a 2000 graduate of Haworth High School in Oklahoma and attended Connor College in Warren, OK for two years. He is employed by Turner International Pipe Systems of Paris.

The couple will make their home in Cunningham.

No invitations will be sent. Family and friends are invited to attend.



Brenda Kimberlyka Gibson with fiancé Brian Neil Choate

Gibson-Choate to wed

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Gibson of Pattonville proudly announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Brenda Kimberlyka Gibson to Brian Neil Choate.

The couple will be married at two o'clock in the afternoon on Saturday, August 31 at West Side Church of Christ in Clarksville.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Gibson of Pattonville and the late Mr. and Mrs. Kirk Brown of Clarksville. She is a 1998 graduate of Prairiland High School, a 2000 graduate of Paris Junior College and a 2002 gradu-

ate of Collin County Community College with an associate degree in respiratory therapy. She is employed at Medical Center of Plano as a respiratory therapist.

Her fiancé is the son of Jeff Choate of Plano and Holly Choate of Dallas. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. William Walker and the late Jean Walker of Hawkins, C.C. Choate of Douglas, AZ and Mrs. Deanna Conner of Venus. He is a 1999 graduate of Roysie City High School and currently attends Collin County Community College in Plano. He is employed by Baldwin Metals of Dallas as an office manager.



CORN HARVEST Larry Milam prepares to move his tractor into the field to accept more corn from the combine. Milam works for Allen Farms of Deport. Corn harvesting is in full swing throughout the area. (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)

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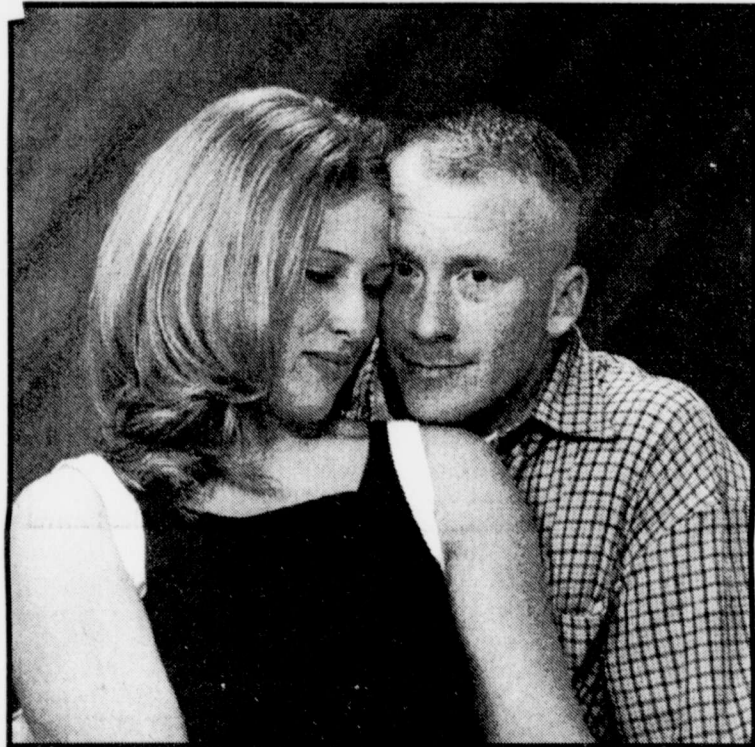
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Sherry Tiffany Mullin and James Lyle Inman

Mullin-Inman to wed October 19

Sherry Steven of Lubbock, Tx. and David Mullin of Maryland would like to announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Melinda Tiffany Mullin to James Lyle Inman son of Oscar and Dawn Olazaba of New Mexico. The couple will repeat their vows on October 19, 2002 in Lubbock, Tx.

The bride-elect is currently stationed at Ft. Polk, Louisiana as a

member of the U.S. Armed Forces. She is the granddaughter of Danny and Sharon Healy, Charles and Annette Skagg, Betty Mullin and the late David Mullin and the great granddaughter of Betty Gibson and Doris Skagg all of Bogata.

The prospective groom is also a member of the U.S. Armed Forces stationed in Ft. Polk, Louisiana.

Guaranty Bond Bank reports results

Guaranty Bancshares, Inc. a community oriented bank holding company with assets of \$491.6 million, reported second quarter and six month earnings as of June 30, 2002. Net income for the second quarter was \$1.1 million, an increase of \$370,000 or 51.3% over the second quarter of 2001. Net income for the first six months was \$2.1 million, an increase of \$614,000 or 42% from the first six months of 2001.

The increase in net income for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 2002 was primarily attributable to an increase in net interest income and non-interest income partially offset by an increase in non-interest expense, provision for loan losses and income tax expense.

The annualized return on average shareholders' equity for the six months ended June 30 was 12.66% compared to 9.80% for the same period in 2001. The annualized return on average assets was 0.88% for the six months ended June 30 compared to 0.70% for the same period in 2001.

Non-performing assets increased \$288,000 or 4.6% since

December 31, 2001. Non performing assets to total loans and other real estate represent 1.86% at June 30, 2002. The largest increase occurred in other real estate owned which increased \$1.3 million. While this is a sizable increase, the amount does not appear to be a significant drain on earnings and is representative of the company's large loan growth over the last three to four years. Unless adverse market conditions occur, the other real estate owned should sell in the normal course of business. The other real estate owned was partially offset by a decrease of \$1.2 million or 65% in past due loans. The Company loans were \$348 million at June 30, 2002, an increase of \$16.7 million or 5.0% from December 31, 2001. Deposits increased \$19.5 million or 5.1% from \$383.3 million at December 31, 2001.

Guaranty Bancshares, Inc. is a \$491.5 million holding company that owns 100% of Guaranty Bank. The bank currently has ten locations in Northeast Texas and one location in Fort Stockton, Texas.

Lou Ada Franklin honored with early birthday celebration

Mrs. Lou Ada Franklin was honored on August 11, 2002 with an 80th birthday celebration. Mrs. Franklin's birthday isn't until December 4, 2002 but since the family was together they celebrated early.

The event was hosted by Mrs. Franklin's husband, Raymond and daughters, Cindy of Sturgis, South

Dakota, Casey of Killeen, Texas and Shan of Eaton, Colorado at the First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall in Bogata beginning at 2:00 p.m. Approximately 100 attended to help Mrs. Franklin celebrate early and she and her family thoroughly enjoyed visiting with family and friends.



Mrs. Lou Ada Franklin

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Cunningham News

by Neva Jean Oats

Happy birthday to O'Neal Drinnon, Bill Page, James Cannon and L'Wanda McKnight.

Happy birthday to Billie and Leonard Ford.

Linda Anderson, Wendy and Cord Ordorica, Fred Cole and Rusty, Cindy, Marty, Susan and Carrie Anderson went to Ft. Collins, CO last week to watch Susan play in the National World Series Softball Tournament. her team won second.

Sunday guests of Nelta and Johnnie Musgrove were Stacy, Linda, Stoney and Charity Musgrove, Shane and Zarinska Morton, Natalie, Benjamin and Doran Hutchison, Rick and Teresa Mennis, Claudine Slyder, Carman, Vickie, Peggy and Taylor Manners, Betty and Lynn Holeman and Treda and Amber Norwood.

The Cunningham Baptist Vacation Bible School was a success. The ladies from Novice Baptist Church and Nelda Harrel helped the ladies present the school Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Sunday they had a closing program for parents.

Billy Ray and Neva Oats went on a cruise to Mexico last week. They left from Galveston and stopped in Cozumel and Carica.

Braydon Oats spent Thursday with Georjeana Nutt. He spent Thursday night and Friday with Billy Ray and Neva Oats. Brandon, Marsha and Kaylee came to pick him up and ate with Billy Ray and Neva Friday night.

Geneva Norwood had her family and Josh Osburn as Sunday guests.

Canard, Delores, Ricky, Pam, Haley and Mattie Norwood ate with Teresa, Jamie and Seth Smith and Kelty Mowery Friday. Canard and Delores ate with Teresa and Jamie on Sunday.

Delores Norwood took Frances Franklin and Eulene Nicholas to Pittsburg Saturday to buy peaches. Frances visited Delores again on Monday.

There will be a wedding shower honoring Amber Norwood and Matt Galloway at the Life Tabernacle Fellowship Hall Sunday, August 25 at 2 p.m. Everyone is invited.

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Lily Grace Gibson

Lily Grace Gibson celebrates four years

Lily Grace Gibson was honored on her fourth birthday Saturday, August 10, 2002 at her home in Pattonville with a hot dog supper/birthday party hosted by her parents, Jeff and Carolyn Gibson. The party theme was "Power Puff Girls".

Guests including her parents were; grandparents Justin and Jane Strawn and Dalton and Brenda Gibson. Also attending were aunts and uncles, Kelley and Deana Boyd, Clint and Sharon Greer and Melanie Strawn. Cousins of the honoree Paige Boyd and Hollie Greer also attended. Unable to attend but sending congratulations was her great grandparents, Chris and Maudine Beaton of Mellwood, Arkansas and friends, L.B. and Peggy Bryant of Paris. Lily received many nice gifts.

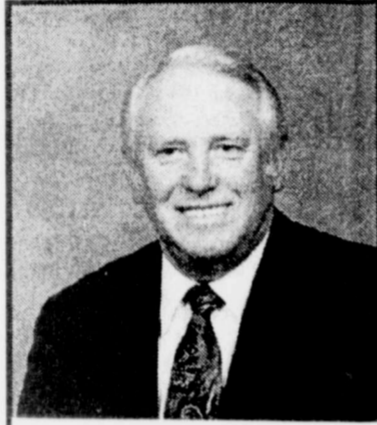


WORLD RUNNERUPS-THE TEAM 'COMMOTION' won the runnerup position at the World Series National Softball Championship held in Ft. Collins, Colorado recently. Team members are, front row: Kaci Crawford, Susan Anderson, Amber Whitlock and Cassi Wood. Back row: Katie White, Kara Crawford, Lauren Mauldin, Jaime Harrell, Samantha Summerlin and Katie Clark. Coaches are David Mauldin, Rusty Anderson and Joe David White.

Lake meeting set for Friday

There will be a meeting concerning the proposed Marvin Nichols Lake at the Hagansport Community Center at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, August 16th.

Some of the speakers will be Oran Caudle and Max Shumake.



Reverend James R. Jackson

Reverend James R. Jackson to speak at Bogata First Assembly

Reverend James R. Jackson, Secretary-Treasurer of the North Texas District Assemblies of God will be ministering at First Assembly of God in Bogata, Texas Sunday morning August 18, 2002.

Reverend Jackson served as senior pastor at First Assembly of

Eudy family reunion date changed

The family of Mose and Rose Eudy's annual reunion previously held in August will change to a more comfortable date.

Starting in 2003 the Eudy family reunion will be held on the second Sunday in June at the Bogata Community Center in Bogata, Tx. All family and friends are urged to mark the date on their calendars and plan to attend.

"Commotion" wins runnerup

Commotion fastpitch softball team which consists of players from Bogata, Deport, Paris, Mt. Vernon and Mt. Pleasant represented the state in Ft. Collins, Colorado at the World Series. The team won runnerup during the week of July 29-August 2.

The girls began play by winning all three of their pool games defeating Colorado Sliders Blue 5-3; Garden City Gators, 9-1; and Colorado Lady Warriors, 15-0.

Their first bracket game was a win, defeating the Cajun Express from Lafayette, LA by a 7-1 score.

The second game gave them a loss by Colorado Quick Silver, 1-4.

They battled their way back through the loser bracket defeating Munooka Magic 8-1; New

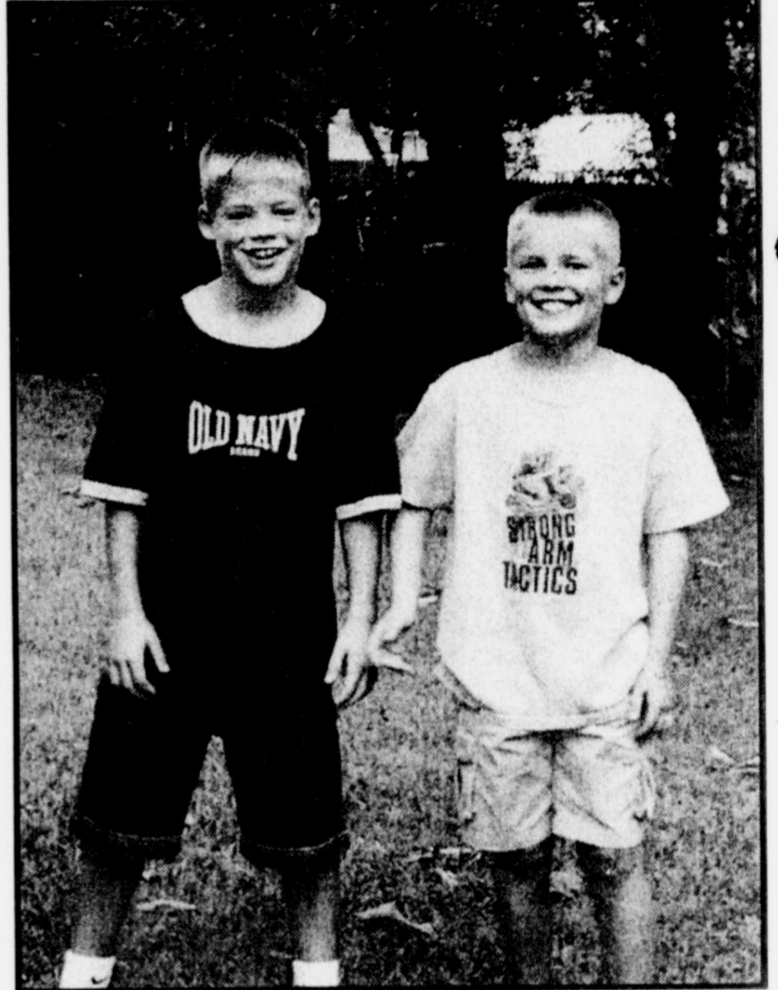
Mexico Blazers 6-0; Iowa Intimidators 3-2; New Mexico Fierce 9-0; Texas Sasche Heat 6-3; Sierra Vista Roadrunners 7-3; Kansas City Stampede 5-0.

They were defeated in the championship game with Arkansas Bee Bee Blast by a 13-2 score.

Samantha Summerlin received All World Most Valuable Offensive Player and Kaci Crawford received All World Most Valuable Pitcher.

These girls raised money from area businesses to promote their tournament berth.

In their first year they won Texas 12UB State Championship; Texas District 44 ASA Championship; World Runerup; and 12UB USSSA.



Josh and Jake Stringfellow

Josh and Jake Stringfellow celebrate

Josh and Jake Stringfellow were honored with a fish fry Sunday by their parents, Joe and Misty Stringfellow at their home in Paris in honor of their 9th birthday which was on Monday, August 12, 2002.

Enjoying the good food and visiting with the boys and hosts

were; Tyler, Darrin and Brent Higgins, Jimmy Stringfellow, Jo Anne Lindsey, Dixie Stringfellow, Billy, Kathy, Kaley, Kellen and Kason Stringfellow, Landyn Huff, Kenneth York, Michael Tabb, Chris, Cindy, Chandi, Colton and Christopher Cole and Melanie Moore.

Dress Code set for Rivercrest

Each student at Rivercrest High School must comply with the following dress code for the 2002/2003 school year:

1. Clothing that is extreme (revealing, tight, baggy, excessively long pants, etc.) will not be permitted. This includes failure to wear an article of apparel, as well as inappropriate article or both.
2. No type hat, sunshades or cap will be worn in the building or classrooms during regular school hours.
3. All articles of apparel and exposed tattoos must be free of disruptive, suggestive, obscene or objectionable words, phrases, advertisements or pictures.
4. Open-mesh or fishnet blouses or shirts are not permitted.
5. shirts and blouses must be buttoned within one button of the throat. All shirts, which are designed to be worn inside, should be tucked inside.
6. Students dressed for athletics (cheerleading, physical education etc.) must remain in their designated areas.
7. See-through, bare midriff, halter, tank top or sun blouses are not permitted. Shirts, blouses and t-shirts must have sleeves.
8. Shorts will be allowed provided they are knee length, walking style shorts. Athletic shorts,

bicycle shorts, cutoffs and etc. shall not be permitted. Shorts must be hemmed, must be loose fitting, not tight or revealing.

9. Girls dresses and skirts must be knee length.
10. Hair must be maintained in a neat and clean fashion and should not obstruct the student's vision.
11. Beards and mustaches must be neatly trimmed.
12. Any clothing, jewelry or other ornaments that depict, advertise or glorify Satan or satanic rites or that indicate a preoccupation with death, sadism or evil is prohibited.
13. Body piercing jewelry is allowed in ears only.
14. Shoes must be worn.
15. Shoes with cleats or metal taps are prohibited.
16. Baggy clothing is prohibited.

The principal shall have the authority to prohibit the wearing of any article not specifically mentioned in the dress code if in his opinion the article is distracting from the educational setting. The principal shall have the authority to make any modifications in the dress code and shall make the final decision in determining whether or not the student is in compliance.

Sandlin to visit East Texas

During the month of August, U.S. Representative Max Sandlin will hold public meetings throughout East Texas. On August 27, Sandlin will host an "America's Business" meeting in Red River County to discuss retirement and economic security and corporate accountability.

"It is crucial for Red River County residents to be informed of the latest actions taken by Congress to bring stability to our economy. Further it is essential that Social Security remains solvent, that we help those who have been wronged by corporate wrongdoers and that we prevent future exploitations of our financial markets."

"As representative of the 1st District of Texas, my most important responsibility is to support the issues of importance to my constituents. In order to do a good job, it is critical that I keep in constant contact with East Texans," said Sandlin. "I hope all Red River County residents will join me at this public meeting."

Sandlin will make 25 stops in all 19 counties in the 1st Congressional District. All residents are invited to attend.

The meeting will be held Tuesday, August 27 from 8:30 until 9:30 p.m. at City Council Chambers, 800 W. Main in Clarksville.

Seay reunion is September 1

The Seay reunion will be held Sunday, September 1 for descendants of James A. Seay and Almedia L. Hooper Seay. The family will meet at the Dimple

Community Center, Clarksville starting at 10 a.m.

For further information, contact Pat Boyd at 903-427-5840 or Kathy Roberts at 427-5394.

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RRC Genealogical Society meets

The August 12 meeting of the Red River County Genealogical Society was held at the County Library. Mr. Marion Butts gave a very interesting talk in the absence of the scheduled speaker. Mr. Butts has done extensive study on the steamboats that traveled the northeast Texas area. He spoke of the valuable cargo and some difficulties that were encountered in transporting goods, etc. Mr. Butts has done invaluable research on the construction of the courthouse in Clarksville. He has viewed film of the Northern Standard and read materials on this subject. He concluded his speech by telling of the rich history of Red River County that needs to be remembered.

Ms. Ann Evetts gave informa-

God in Gainsville, Texas for over 17 years prior to his election of his current position in the Assemblies of God. Everyone is invited to come and hear Brother Jackson. Sunday School begins at 10:00 a.m. and worship service is at 10:45 a.m.

Mr. Eugene Simmons and Mrs. Miriam Stephenson informed the society of the progress of the paperwork that they have compiled for the courthouse dedication. Mr. Simmons also told of the progress of the volunteer work he is doing for the society.

Thirty were in attendance for this excellent meeting. The next meeting of the society will be September 9, 2002 at the County Library. Visitors are welcome to attend.

Cuthand Homecoming 2002

The Cuthand Community had their annual Homecoming on Sunday, July 28, 2002 at the Cuthand United Methodist Church. Approximately 125 attended the reunion throughout the day.

The day began with church service. A covered dish lunch was served at noon and gospel singing began at 1:30 p.m. Music was provided by Donna Jo, Rhonda and the Cuthand Bottom Boys. Special musical guests were The Gospel Heirs of Mt. Pleasant. Other specials were sung throughout the afternoon by Donna and Stanley Jesse, Gayle Ward, Jim

Purviance, John and Mazie Purviance, Ryan Ballard, Kim Sheffield, Stephanie Purviance and Bert Wood.

Toe-tapping country gospel singing lasted into the afternoon and was enjoyed by all attending. Visitors came from near and far and included: Tyler, Valliant, OK., Mt. Pleasant, Deport, Dallas, Bogata, Rugby, Rosalie, Sugar Hill, Pine Branch, Johntown, Clarksville, Maple and Cuthand. Mark your calendars for next years Cuthand Homecoming the last Sunday in July.

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SUSAN SCHMIDT will be the new junior high math/science teacher at Rivercrest Junior High this year. She is wished a successful year. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



RIVERCREST ISD PHONE NUMBERS

Phone numbers for the three campuses of Rivercrest ISD are:
 Talco School Rivercrest Junior High-903-379-3841
 Rivercrest High School-903-632-5204
 Rivercrest Elementary School-903-632-5214.

Tuesdays

BAM (Bogata Area Moms) playgroup for stay at home moms and their children meets Tuesdays from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Call Kelly for more information at 903-632-4493.

Evenings

Come out and join the Rivercrest Walkers every evening at 8:00 p.m. at the Rivercrest High School track. The group of men, women and children of all ages who need to walk for health reasons meet daily and visit while they walk. The boring time of "must do" exercise passes quickly when friends and neighbors share their time. Everyone in the area are invited to participate.

Coming Soon

A 55 Alive Driving Course will be given soon in Bogata. The course refreshes driving rules and regulations for drivers 55 and over and as an added attraction, those who take the course receive percentage off their insurance policies. The time and place for the course will be announced soon.

Back to School

A back to school hamburger supper will be held at Rivercrest Elementary on Thursday, August 15, 2002 beginning at 6:00 p.m. All parents, guardians, students and members of the community are invited to attend.



NEW EMPLOYEES-at Rivercrest ISD this year include (from the left) Elsa Whitehurst who will serve as an elementary aide; Judy Brown, a new cafeteria worker; Julie Davidson who will serve as an elementary aide and Donna Jesse who will serve as high office assistant. Welcome to all these ladies. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



NEW COACHES-at Rivercrest High School this year are; Debra Jeffcoat who will be coaching Rivercrest Junior High girls and Head Coach of the high girls softball; David Pasternak who will be coaching Rivercrest Junior High boys and Assistant high school softball coach and Jody Burns who will be coaching Junior High boys and Assistant coach for the high school baseball team. All are welcomed to Rivercrest. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Labor Day rodeo set

The Franklin County Sheriff's Posse will be hosting their annual Labor Day Rodeo on Friday and Saturday, August 30-31 at 8 p.m. nightly in Mt. Vernon.

A special Kid's Rodeo will begin at 6:30 nightly, featuring Mutton Bustin, Calf Scramble and Stick Horse barrel race. The kids awards will be presented after the bull riding.

Special event is wild cow milking and scoop race.

The rodeo is produced by the Wing Rodeo Company of Bogata, TX and negative coggins is required on all horses.

For more information, contact Capt. Charles Williams at 632-4770 or Lt. Gary Borden at 588-2381.

The rodeo is co-sanctioned by the UPRA and CRRA and entry phone number is 903-846-5151.

Class of 1972 to reunite in 2002

The 1972 graduating class of Rivercrest High School will reunite for their 30 year class reunion in 2002 at the Bogata Community Center. The official date will be announced soon.

A special invitation is extended to the classes of 1971 and 1973 to join in the fun. Help is also needed in contacting all the classmates. If you have telephone numbers or addresses please contact Sue Ann Martin Bennett at 903-643-9489; Monte Smith at 817-297-3909 or Larry Harville at 817-430-9046. Please plan to come, bring your family, old pictures and memorabilia of the Rivercrest High School days of 1972.

Talco Locals
Please call your locals news in to 379-4445

Wanda (Henson) Morgan received a surprise visit from a high school friend Wednesday. Georgia Ayers Davis and husband of Graham, Tx. were in Talco to see her home town and try to locate old friends. It seems the first house they stopped at to ask about Wanda was her house and they asked her husband where to find her. They had a wonderful reunion. Mrs. Davis had lived with her grandparents, E.L. and Minnie Swarts.

Cindy Watts has returned home after helping out with her brother, Steve Finney, and family after he underwent surgery.

Happy August Birthday to: Patsy Watts, Troy Morgan, Avianlea Sinclair, Shari Wisinger, Mychaela Murray, Joey Taylor, Scott Taylor and Terry Howell.

Patty Kuhl of Snyder visited with Jo and Ruby Horn and other family and friends Wednesday through Saturday last week. On Friday morning Nancy and Eddie Brown visited Patty at Mrs. Ruby Horn's home. Also visiting during the day with Patty was Tina Nolen. Donnette Parrot is reported

home and improving following a hospital stay last week.

Sharing a birthday supper in honor of Eddie Brown Saturday evening were Kim, Paul and Quinton Anderson, Jack, Jennifer and Jaden Brown and Dustin Wolfe. Jack and family visited over night and on Sunday he was baptized at the Maple Spring Church. Guests attending church with the Browns and Andersons were Dustin Wolfe, Carl and Pam Allmon and Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Cox and Stormi all of Roxton.

Ralph and Ruth Wilson hosted a watermelon supper at their home in Talco Sunday for the congregation of the Talco Church of Christ. Everyone enjoyed the visiting and delicious watermelon.

Aaron Smith of Lufkin visited with his grandparents, dad and sister, Patsy and Arthur Smith, Russell and Melanie Smith from Sunday of last week to Monday of this week. Monday the Smiths, Melanie and Aaron met Sally and Leon Dunn in Kilgore to return Aaron home to prepare for the coming school year.

Red River County Sheriff's Report

August 5-11

August 5: Criminal mischief in Avery; one arrested for theft of a firearm; inmate released on bond; female arrested for endangering and abandonment of a child; one arrested for escape, assault on a public servant and Paris PD warrants; one arrested for escape, assault on a Public Servant and Paris PD warrants; inmate released on bond.

August 6: Report of burglary of building; report of phone harassment; report of assault; report of criminal mischief; one arrested for hindering apprehension; one arrested for parole violation; one arrested for assault.

August 7: Report of attempted burglary; report of theft; inmate released with time served; one arrested for possession for controlled substance; one arrested for violation for probation; one

arrested for violation of probation; report of activated alarm; one arrested for DWI.

August 8: Report of structure fire; report of stolen vehicle; one arrested for possession of marijuana; report of burglary of a building.

August 9: One arrested for possession of marijuana; one arrested for violation for probation; inmate release.

August 10: Report of activated alarm; report of house fire; report of assault; report of criminal mischief; one arrested for disorderly conduct.

August 11: One arrested for DWI; report of disturbance in progress; inmate released on fine; one arrested for burglary of a building, burglary of habitation and burglary of coin operated machine; report of assault.



JUNIOR VOLUNTEERS - About 60 junior volunteers, ages 13-17, were recently recognized by CHRISTUS St. Joseph's Health System for their service during the summer. Students volunteered for one-half day shifts, with some working more than one shift per week.

Bogata Locals
(Call your news in at 903-632-5322. If the machine is on please leave a message)

Visiting with Helen Williams last Tuesday were her nieces, Anna and Milton Lee of Levingston, Martha and Wayne Wilkerson of Lufkin, Barbara Martin of Paris; nephew, Conrad Hobbs of Halesboro and daughters, Haletha and Granville Jones of Commerce and Patty Barton of Bagwell. They all dinner at the 909 Diner in Bogata.

Happy August Birthday to: Andrea Palmer, Kelsey Jean, Andrew Palmer, Josh Stringfellow, Jake Stringfellow, Bob Richardson, Tyler Jean, Clay Tidwell, Michel Williams, Joe Rose, Michelle Strain, Tasha Bell, Bobby Thompson, Reba Mitchell,

Tara Raulston, Nancy Martin, Donald Davidson, Shirley Allums, Denny Whitley, Joey Taylor, Krystan Duffee, Dorothy Stockton, Margaret Haynes, Karen Beers, Billie Lewis, Gary Cheatwood Jr., Bradly Guest, Mychaela Murray, Lovene Kennedy, Jeffery Bivins, Saleena Whitaker, Scott Taylor, Bill Buckman, Sarah Jean, Jerry Shaw, Jimmy Crow, Stephanie Fischer and Joseph Holcomb.

Happy August Anniversary to: Michael and Angelia Burgess; Kevin and Julie Binion; Boyd and Kay Griffin and Danny and Jessica Hines.

Seniors 2003 honored July 26

Rachel Case and Danielle Easterling were honored by their parents Bruce and Tammie Case and Teri Easterling with a Senior 2003 swim party at the Mt. Pleasant Country Club on July 26, 2002.

The honorees and their guest enjoyed getting together and making plans for their senior year. Attending were: Molly Hare, Alison Foster, Ashley Beers, Shari Wisinger, Erica Williams, Heath Hinton, Marcus Deming, Clayton Watkins, Krystla Valenzuela, Ryan Newton, Josh Cabell, Nathan Daniel and Brandon Buchanan.

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KEEPING THINGS COOLED-a fireman mists adjoining property as the home of Bob and Connie Phosay and their four children was completely destroyed by fire Saturday morning. The family lost everything they had in the blaze, which may have started from a window air conditioning unit. Fire Departments from Detroit, Bogata, Deport and even Clarksville had to respond to the blaze. (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)



ETMC CLARKSVILLE Auxiliary donated four wheelchairs to ETMC Clarksville Hospital recently. Pictured are Auxiliary members Diane Hawthorne, Verda Kellam, Auxiliary President Ann Dailey with Irene Breyant, Discharge Planner at ETMC Clarksville.

**Rivercrest Schools
Menus
August 19-23**

- MONDAY**
Breakfast
Cereal
toast
condiments
juice & milk
Lunch
Pizza
corn
salad
fruit
milk
- TUESDAY**
Breakfast
Cinnamon rolls
cereal
juice & milk
Lunch
Corn dogs
macaroni & cheese
purple hull peas
fruit
milk
- WEDNESDAY**
Breakfast
Sausage & biscuit
condiments
juice & milk
Lunch
Hot dogs
pork & beans
tator tots
fruit
milk
- THURSDAY**
Breakfast
Pancake on a stick w/syrup
condiments
juice & milk
Lunch
Chicken sandwiches
lettuce/tomato
chips
beans
milk
- FRIDAY**
Breakfast
Cereal
toast
condiments
juice & milk
Lunch
Cheeseburgers
burger salad
beans
chips
ice cream
milk

Public Notices

PUBLIC NOTICE
The Prairiland Independent School District has reduced price and free meal plans for the 2002-2003 school year available to students from households that meet the federal income guidelines. Application forms can be picked up at the school offices. Parents should fill out the forms and return them to the school office.
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**TEXAS EDUCATION AGENCY
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Prairiland ISD will take steps to ensure that lack of English language skills will not be a barrier to admission and participation in all educational and vocational programs.

For information about your rights or grievance procedures, contact the title IX and 504 Coordinator, Buddy Freeman at 903-652-6476.
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8-15

**NOTICE OF RECEIPT OF
APPLICATION AND INTENT TO
OBTAIN A WATER QUALITY
PERMIT RENEWAL**
PERMIT NO. 10869-001
APPLICATION: City of Talco, P.O. Box 365, Talco, Texas 75487, has applied to the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) to renew Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) Permit No. 10869-001 (EPA I.D. No. Tx0012205) to authorize the discharge of treated wastewater at a volume not to exceed a daily average flow of 125,000 gallons per day. The domestic wastewater treatment facility is located on the north side of Farm-to-Market Road 71, approximately one mile northeast of the City of Talco in Titus County, Texas. The discharge route is from the plant site to an unnamed ditch, thence to Prairie Lake; thence to an unnamed tributary of the Sulphur River; thence to the Sulphur/South Sulphur River. This application was submitted to TNRCC on July 19, 2002. The permit application is available for viewing and copying at Talco City Hall, 400 West Broad Street, Talco, Texas.
The TNRCC executive director has determined the application is administratively complete and will conduct a technical review of the application. After completion of the technical review, the TNRCC will issue a Notice of Application of Preliminary Decision.
PUBLIC COMMENT/PUBLIC MEETING. You may submit public comments or requests a public meeting about this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit comments or to ask questions about the application. The TNRCC will hold a public meeting if the executive director determines that there is a significant degree of public interest in the application or if requested by a local legislator. A public meeting is not a contested case hearing.
Written public comments or requests for public meeting must be submitted to the office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TNRCC, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 76711-3087.
ADDITIONAL NOTICE. After technical review of the application is complete, the executive director may prepare a draft permit and will issue a preliminary decision on the application. **Notice of the Application and Preliminary Decision will be published and mailed to those who are on the county-wide mailing list or the mailing list for this application. That notice will contain the final deadline for submitting public comments.**
OPPORTUNITY FOR A CONTESTED CASE HEARING. After the deadline for public comments, the executive director will consider the comments and prepare a response to all relevant and material, or significant public comments. **The response to comments, along with the executive director's decision on the application, will be mailed to everyone who submitted public comments or who requested to be on the mailing list for this application. If comments are received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting reconsideration of the executive director's decision and for requesting a contested case hearing.** A contested case hearing is a legal proceeding similar to a civil trial in a state district court.
A contested case hearing will only be granted based on disputed issues of fact that are relevant and material to the Commission's decision on the application. Further, the Commission will only grant a hearing on issues that were raised during the public comment period and not withdrawn. **The TNRCC may act on an application to renew a permit for discharge of wastewater without providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.**
MAILING LIST. In addition to submitting public comments, you may ask to be placed on a mailing list to receive future public notices mailed by the Office of the Chief Clerk. You may request to be added to: 91) the mailing list for this specific application; (2) the permanent mailing list for a specific applicant name and permit number; and/or (3) the permanent mailing list for a specific county. Clearly specify which mailing list(s) to which you wish to be added and send your request to the TNRCC office of the chief Clerk at the above address. Unless you otherwise specify, you will be included only on the mailing list for this specific application.
INFORMATION. If you need more information about this permit application or the permitting process, please call the TNRCC office of Public Assistance toll free, at 1-800-687-4040; General information about the TNRCC can be found at our web site at www.tnrcc.state.tx.us. Further information may be obtained from the City of Talco at the address stated above or by calling Jone Clemmons at 903-379-3731.
August 7, 2002
8-15

Rebels to scrimmage at Ore City

The 2002/2003 Rivercrest Rebel varsity football team will travel to Ore City on Saturday, August 17 for scrimmage action. Head Coach, Gary Schultz reports the Rebel team short on numbers this year, but, long on

heart and willing to do their best. The scrimmage will begin at 10:00 a.m. and everyone is invited to come out and support this year's Rebel team as they prepare for the coming season. Go Rebels!!!

Parents urged to pre-register students at Rivercrest Elementary

Parents/guardians are encouraged to come by the Rivercrest Elementary School anytime before August 19, 2002 and pre-register new students to the school. Office hours are from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday through Thursday. For more information you may call Bill Mabry at 632-5214 or 632-4354 at the Rivercrest Elementary Office.

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING TO DISCUSS
BUDGET AND PROPOSED TAX RATE**

The Rivercrest ISD will hold a public meeting at 7:00 PM, August 29, 2002 in Rivercrest High School Board Room, Hwy. 271 South, Bogata, Tx.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the school district's budget that will determine the tax rate that will be adopted. Public participation in the discussion is invited.

The tax rate that is ultimately adopted at this meeting or at a separate meeting at a later date may not exceed the proposed rate shown below unless the district publishes a revised notice containing the same information and comparisons set out below and holds another public meeting to discuss the revised notice.

Comparison of Proposed Rates with Last Year's Rates

	Maintenance & Operations	Interest & Sinking Fund*	Total	Local Revenue Per Student	State Revenue Per Student
Last Year's Rate	\$1.237800	\$0.235700	* \$1.473500	\$1,814	\$5,531
Rate to Maintain Same Level of Maintenance & Operations Revenue & Pay Debt Service	\$1.474732	\$0.312930	* \$1.787662	\$2,375	\$5,134
Proposed Rate	\$1.277800	\$0.235700	* \$1.513500	\$2,006	\$4,645

* The Interest & Sinking Fund tax revenue is used to pay for bonded indebtedness on construction, equipment, or both. The bonds, and the tax rate necessary to pay those bonds, were approved by the voters of this district.

Comparison of Proposed Levy with Last Year's Levy on Average Residence

	Last Year	This Year
Average Market Value of Residences	\$24,543	\$25,861
Average Taxable Value of Residences	\$9,543	\$10,861
Last Year's Rate Versus Proposed Rate per \$100 Value	\$1.473500	\$1.513500
Taxes Due on Average Residence	\$140.62	\$164.38
Increase (Decrease) in Taxes		\$23.76

Under state law, the dollar amount of school taxes imposed on the residence homestead of a person 65 years of age or older or of the surviving spouse of such a person, if the surviving spouse was 55 years of age or older when the person died, may not be increased above the amount paid in the first year after the person turned 65, regardless of changes in tax rate or property value.

Notice of Rollback Rate: The highest tax rate the district can adopt before requiring voter approval at an election is \$1.846922. This election will be automatically held if the district adopts a rate in excess of the rollback rate of \$1.846922.

Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will remain at the end of the current fiscal year and are not encumbered with or by a corresponding debt obligation, less estimated funds necessary for operating the district before receipt of the first state aid payment:

Maintenance and Operations Fund Balance(s)	\$63,210
Interest & Sinking Fund Balance(s)	\$40,000

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GS group meet

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The group meets every other Thursday at the same time and same place. Anyone wishing to attend is welcome. For more information call Anaya Phillips at 903-632-5596 or Ruth Reynolds at 903-632-5781. The next meeting will be for dinner at Furr's Restaurant in Paris on August 22, 2002.

Notice

Anyone interested in depositing money into their child's school breakfast and lunch account at Rivercrest Elementary may do so any day this week.

Bobbie Damron will also be available to deposit money into your child's account on Thursday, August 15, at the family "Back to School" hamburger supper starting at 6:00 p.m. This will eliminate some of the congestion in the lunch line on Monday morning.

Blood drive set for August 18

A blood drive will be held Sunday, August 18 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the Cuthand United Methodist Church.

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FOUND: Chihuahua female, found near Halesboro. Call 903-632-4963. 8-15nc

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Rivercrest Junior High School Supply List

Students at Rivercrest Junior High this year will need the following supplies:

Sixth Graders:
 1 package of map colors
 1 package of markers
 1 package of pocket folders
 2 bottles of glue
 1 ruler
 pens (black, blue and red)
 notebook paper
 #2 pencils
 4 three ring binders
 2 bottles of gule
 2 large spiral notebooks
 3 packages of dividers
 2 dry erase markers
 1 pair of scissors
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 ruler
 1 package of note cards
 1 package of highlighters

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 1 package of map colors
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 3 three ring binders
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 1 large pink eraser
 Algebra 1-graph paper and ruler

Eighth Grade:
 1 package of map colors
 1 package of markers
 1 pair of scissors
 3 pocket folders
 1 bottle of glue
 pens (black, blue and red)
 notebook paper
 #2 pencils
 3 three ring binders
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 2 packages of dividers
 1 large spiral notebook
 1 large pink eraser
 Algebra 1-graph paper and ruler

Traffic stop yields drugs

Last Friday a Red River County man was arrested after he failed to yield to a routine traffic stop. A chase ensued with a Department of Public Safety officer and Danny Powell of the Drug Task Force. The suspect wrecked out on FM 114 north of Clarksville. An undetermined amount of marijuana was recovered from the suspect's vehicle. According to Red River County Sheriff Chief Deputy Larry Spangler, several thousand dollars worth of marijuana was seized.

Editor's Quotes

We must not give only what we have; we must also give what we are.
 Cardinal Mercier



RIVERCREST HIGH SCHOOLS-new Band Director, David Terry discusses marching moves with this year's drum major, Kasey Vandaveer. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Beware of mosquito borne illness

It's shaping up to be a virus kind of year, and Texans are being warned to take precautions to avoid mosquito-borne diseases, according to an entomologist with the Agriculture Program at Texas A&M University.

"The general public needs to be more aware of the local mosquito situation and take precautions against these insects," said Dr. Jim Olson. Precautions include cleaning up premises by removing all sources of standing water, mosquito-proofing dwellings, and, as much as possible, altering outdoor activities to times and places mosquitoes aren't active.

"Wear loose, light-colored, long-sleeved clothing and apply a mosquito repellent of choice," he said. "Mosquitoes tend to go for dark-colored, moving objects. If the clothing fits tightly, they can drill right through the fabric into the skin."

The recent rains across much of the state is a good-news, bad-news type of situation. With a capability of traveling up to 30-50 miles

from where they breed as larvae, these mosquitos may cause nuisance problems well away from where they were in their developmental stages. They are going to be a serious source of annoyance for the next 10 days to two weeks.

The first case of West Nile virus in a human in Texas was confirmed recently in a 50-year old Orange resident, who is in stable condition at the Houston VA Medical Center. Evidence of the disease has been found in birds or mosquitos in Harris, Jefferson, Fort Bend, Orange, Montgomery and Dallas counties, and several confirmed and unconfirmed cases of the virus have been found in horses in Southeast Texas.

Some horses have died while others are recovering. "The situation in East Texas is further confused by also having Eastern Equine Encephalitis activity," which has been confirmed in one horse each in Nome, Jasper and Tyler.

According to the Texas Department of Health, mild infections of mosquito-borne encephalitis in humans may occur with only a headache. More severe infections

may include headaches, high fever, neck stiffness, disorientation, coma and tremors.

With West Nile infections, flu-like symptoms include fever, headaches, sore throat, body aches, fatigue (often with a skin rash), and swollen lymph glands. It can be fatal, particularly in the elderly or very young or those with weakened immune systems.

Human symptoms of Eastern Equine Encephalitis range from mild flu-like illness to frank encephalitis (true inflammation of the brain), coma and death, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

In the United States, there have been 153 confirmed human cases of Eastern Equine Encephalitis in humans since 1964; up to 3,000 cases of St. Louis Encephalitis in humans since 1975; 639 human cases of Western Equine Encephalitis since 1964; and 152 human cases of West Nile virus confirmed since it first appeared in the U.S. in 1999, according to CDC information.

Migrating birds are the primary source of the West Nile virus and

Eastern Equine Encephalitis, which are transmitted by mosquitos to other birds, animals or humans. Eastern does not seem to kill birds (West Nile infections kills blue jays, crows and hawks), though birds are the reservoir for that virus.

There is evidence of St. Louis Encephalitis cycling in mosquitos in the Corpus Christi area and Western Encephalitis cycling in mosquitos in El Paso. Western Equine Encephalitis is vectored by Culex tarsalis. Since West Nile virus often shows up in the bird population first, the public is asked to contact the nearest office of TDH when dead blue jays, crows or hawks are found. Check for the nearest office at their website: <http://www.tdh.state.tx.us/>

As a final precaution, please report any dead crows, blue jays or hawks to City officials so notification to the Department of Health can be made. The best way to help is to control breeding sites for mosquitos in your area.

Date set for Rivercrest High School class of 83' reunion

Representatives of the Rivercrest class of 1983 have set the date for their 20 year reunion for July 19, 2003. The place and time, as well as activities, are still being planned. More information will be available at a later date. Mark your calendars and plan on coming back to visit with those you have not seen in decades.

The group are also collecting information for the "20 Year class reunion annual". If you are a member of the class of 1983 please send a recent picture of you and your family as well as a little biography of what you have "been up to" in the last 20 years; college, family; jobs; hobbies etc. The Reunion Annual will have addresses, phone numbers, emails, pictures and information on each of the class members. You can mail your photos and information

to Leah Lewis Bull, 431 S. Bryson St., Bogata, Tx. 75417. You may also email your information and pictures if you have the capabilities to lrlewis@Istarnet.com. All photos will be promptly returned within a few days of receiving them. The reunion annual may be purchased before or during the class reunion next year. The price of the annual will cover copying and binding only and the cost will be \$7.00-\$10.00 each.

An invitation is also extended to the classes of 1982 and 1984 as well as any parents, faculty or friends to come reminisce and reconnect with old friends. You may contact Leah Lewis Bull at 903-632-9520; Joe Corbell at 903-509-3027; Kathie Williams Thompson at 903-632-4591 or David Rozell at 903-632-5617 for information.

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