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It wasn't quite like you thought!

Sometimes funny things happen. They are funny when you know the real story, but not if you never hear the truth, and only have appearances to go by.

Friday morning some of the Lamar County Jail inmates came down to the DePort fire station to help clean up prior to the department's fund raiser.

They are always very helpful, and this group was no exception. They offered on their own to wash the fire trucks.

So, the trucks were pulled out front, and three men in bright yellow-orange jump suits began to hose them down. They had quite a lather of soap suds going, washing and scrubbing diligently.

A car pulled up. Those of us at the station, clad in our old blue jeans and overalls, could hear what was said, but were unable to get the woman's attention in time to relieve her mind.

The woman, who is unknown to us, pulled up and motioned an inmate over to her vehicle.

"Where is College Street?" she asked.

This poor boy, who had never been to DePort before, didn't have a clue. And, he politely told her, "Mam, I'm sorry, but I don't have any idea".

This woman got a really startled look on her face.

"Well, I certainly hope nothing catches on fire around here! She exclaimed and drove off before we could stop her.

Please, if you are reading this...these were NOT firemen who didn't even know where the streets in their town were!

They were guys doing community service work in a community they have never been in before!

It was really funny at the time, and still is. I imagine the woman thought that must have been the most retarded bunch of firemen in the world...washing their trucks in their bright colored jump suits, but not even knowing the street names in a town of 720 people!

Oh well, sometimes things just happen this way!

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TALCO, TITUS COUNTY, TEXAS

Thursday, October 24, 2002 50¢

Courthouse Rededication, Fall Festival will fill this weekend

Plans have been finalized for the rededication of the Red River County Courthouse in Clarksville on the weekend of October 25, 2016 and 27th. While the interior work will not be complete, the majority of the exterior and some interior work have been completed. Limited tours will be available on Oct 26th. The event will be in conjunction with the Red River Co. Historical Society's Fall Bazaar, which has been changed from it's usual weekend.

The Festival will begin on Friday with a county-wide history quiz bowl with two teams from each of the county schools. The Quiz Bowl will be held on Broadway St. between Blackmon Pharmacy and the Antique Emporium. This will be followed by the dedication of the Red River Co. Hall of Fame on the Clarksville Square. The hall of fame will be housed in the Red River County Chamber of Commerce Building. State comptroller, Carol Keeton Rylander, will be the dedicatory speaker for this event. Following the dedication of the Hall of Fame, the Clarksville Rotary Club will host

a barbecue behind the Library thrift Shop, south of the Courthouse and the Post Office. Back by popular demand, Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys will play western swing music for everyone's dancing enjoyment. This band played at George W. Bush's inaugural ball.

The Courthouse Players will present their first performance at 7:00 P.M.. On Friday and will have performances on Saturday at 11:00 a.m., 4:00 P.M. and 5:30 P.M.. The regular cast of characters and some new characters will present an entertaining play, which is sure to bring laughter to those in attendance.

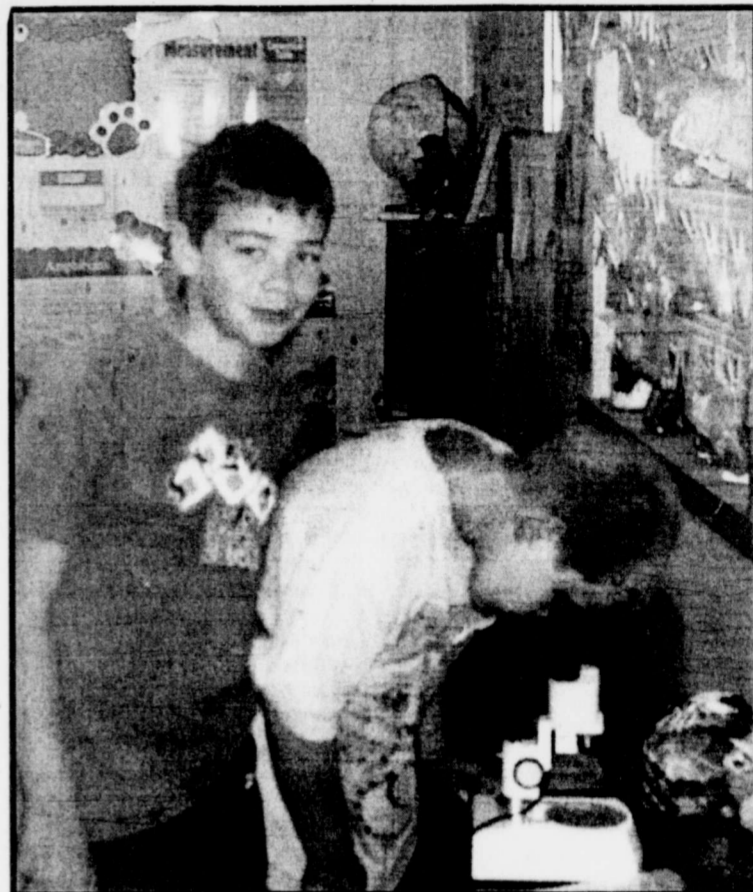
Saturday is to be a much-remembered day in the history of Red River County. In addition to the usual Fall Bazaar activities, many additional events are planned. The day will begin with a parade down North Walnut St. led by marching bands from Clarksville and Rivercrest school. Each community is invited to enter a float in the parade. The only motorized vehicles allowed will be those pulling floats.

In the afternoon, the Red River County Civic Chorus will present a concert of patriotic music at 1:00 P.M.. and the Clarksville High School Band will present a concert. This will be followed by the actual rededication of the courthouse at 2:00 P.M..

Dr. Raymond Judd, former minister of the First Presbyterian Church of Clarksville and a founder of the Red River County Historical Society, will be the dedicatory speaker at the program. The Reverends Pete Adrian and Walter Sam Rice will participate in the service, in addition to numerous local and state officials and Texas historical Commission officials.

On Saturday evening, Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys will again play for a street dance on North Walnut Street, which will feature a spectacular fireworks show at 9:00 P.M.. Which is sponsored by Valor Telecom.

On Sunday, the recreation of an 1884 church service will be held at the First Presbyterian Church followed by a covered dish luncheon in the Christian Education Building.



LANCE HENLEY AND AARON HALEY-of Mrs. Jordan's Rivercrest 5th grade Science class are pictured examining slides under one of four new electron microscopes recently purchased to help students with new state testing.

Spanish Club is selling candles

The Spanish Club at Rivercrest is selling a limited edition candle in a jar from Home Interiors and Gifts for their latest fundraising efforts. This candle is the mulled cider scent and will be available in the 7.5 oz. jar for \$6.00 through October only.

October is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month and Home Interiors & Gifts will be contributing 50¢ per candle sold nationwide to their Pocketful of Hope

Charity that was established as a result of the 9-11 tragedy.

The Spanish Club will be earning \$1.50 per jar sold community wide from the local sponsoring consultant.

If you are interested in purchasing a candle and have not been contacted, please call Sherry Huddleston, Home Interiors Consultant at 632-0367 for details of this event.

Continuing Education class

NETCC will be offering a Hepitis C class for all RN's October 25, 2002 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The class is TNA approved and will cost \$15. To register please call 903-572-1911.

Editor's Quotes
It is better to ask some of the questions than to know all of the answers.
James Thurber



BRAND NEW- Rivercrest Elementary has a brand new teacher to go with their brand new first year students. Kristie Damron is pictured with her Pre-Kindergarten class. They are (left to right) Kissie Anderson, Hana Hawkins, Trent Moore, Jacob Marlar, Chris Thompson, Alison Gray, Conner LeBreton, Alex Miller and Jonathan Jones and in front Mrs. Damron. Not pictured is Jennie Powell. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Thomas Park fund-raiser to be Oct. 26

The Thomas Park fund-raiser is growing near. The elementary students have been signing up for the free throw contest and it should be very entertaining.

Jeff Jackson and his group as well as D.J. and the Cuthand Bottom Boys are all ready to entertain. The Bogata Rosalie and Cuthand Fire Departments and Bogata Lions Club are putting together their cooks for the big stew.

Come to the old Bogata School gym at 3:00 p.m. for the entertain-

ment, stew at 4:00 and pie auction at 6:00 p.m. on October 26, 2002. The free throw shooting should begin around 6:30 p.m.

Anyone wishing to donate a pie or cake for the auction are asked to please call Lion members, Art and Pat Spencer at 632-5668 for details.

Our Park is a benefit for all our surrounding communities. Please come and support the cause in whatever way you can.

DAR meeting set November 9

The Martha Laird chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution will meet Saturday, November 9th at 1:30 p.m. at St. Mark's Episcopal Church at 205 E. Pecan St., Mt. Pleasant, TX.

There will be an executive board meeting at 1:00 p.m. In keeping with the "Korean Conflict Commemoration", Mr. Bill Blevins, a Korean War veteran, will be presenting the program. For further information contact Frances Beck at 572-8408.



PICTURED-with Mrs. Jordan's second period Science Class at Rivercrest Elementary are Mark Elrod and Jason Quinn of the Texas Forest Service. Mr. Elrod and Mr. Quinn were promoting the National Arbor Day poster contest to be held April 7, 2003. Only one winning poster from each participating 5th grade class across the United States will be sent to Texas A & M at College Station. The theme for this years contest is "Trees Are Terrific" from acorn to oak in honor of the oak tree being voted in last year as our National Tree. The Texas Forest representatives demonstrated the survival rate of acorns and the probability of an acorn becoming an oak and the students created bar graphs to represent their collected data. Also discussed was the importance of timber to East Texas's economy.

PIP sign up November 3

Rivercrest PIP (Players in Progress) sign up will be held Sunday, November 3, 2002 at Rivercrest High School from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m.

No late forms will be accepted. The fee this year will be \$50 per child and includes; camp, basketball, shirt and shorts.

All students who join must attend PIP Camp which will be held Sunday, November 10, 2002 at North Lamar High School.

Forms will be given to each child in grades K-6th. For more information call Lori Franks at 903-379-9430.

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Clover Kids to meet

A Clover Kid meeting will be Sunday, October 27 at 2 p.m. at the Cuthand United Methodist Church for any student presently enrolled in K-2nd grade living in Red River County, who is interested in begin a part of the 4-H Club.

For information, call Donna Jessee at 632-5946 or Julie Davidson at 632-4616.

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Country Cooking By Liz Irwin



Can you believe it is already Halloween time again! Time for those ghosts and goblins to make their rounds for trick or treating.

It is still another week before Halloween, but here are a few recipes that I thought you might enjoy and some can be prepared ahead of time.

FRUIT DRINK WITH

Thursday, October 24, 2002 Halloween Recipes

Fruit Drink with Wiggle Worms
12 ounce can frozen orange juice
12 ounce can apricot nectar-chilled

Prepare 6 ounce can can frozen pineapple-orange juice and arrange worms in bottom of 4-cup ring mold.

Sticks and Stones Snack Mix
3 cups puffed corn cereal
2 cups crispy corn and rice cereal

Bubbling Cranberry Sauce Links
8 ounce can cranberry sauce
1/3 cup catsup
1 tablespoon lemon juice

Shrunken Heads
8 medium apples
8 wooden craft sticks
1 cup coarsely chopped nuts

Wrapped Mummy Vegetable Sandwich Loaf
3/4 cup chopped green or red sweet pepper
1/2 cup chopped carrot
1 tablespoon butter or margarine

Spider Cookie Wreaths
3/4 cup butter-softened
3/4 cup water
1/4 teaspoon baking powder

Spiders
1 egg
1 teaspoon vanilla
1-3/4 cups flour
1/4 cup finely chopped pecans or almonds

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.

Omie Lou Ellenburg dies October 22
Omie Lou Ellenburg, age 83 of Bogata died October 22, 2002.

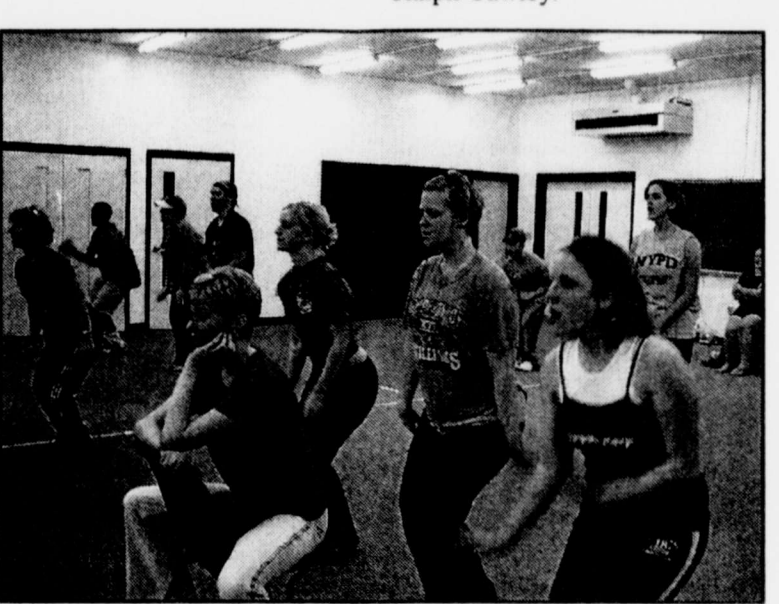


Irene Walker

Irene Walker dies October 19
Irene Walker, age 94 of Deport, died in Christus St. Joseph's South Campus on Saturday, October 19, 2002.



Vickie D. Bryant dies October 20
Mrs. Vickie D. Bryant, age 48 of Bogata died Sunday, October 20 in East Texas Medical Center, Clarksville.



REHEARSAL - Choreographer Patti Swanson, upper left, leads the cast in dance rehearsals for the upcoming production of "Chicago-the Musical"...

"Chicago" comes to Paris

Kerri Bradley and John White, Paris Junior College drama student from Bogata, will be among the cast when the Fine Arts Division of PJC presents "Chicago-the Musical"...

Tickets are \$7.00 for adults, \$5.00 for senior citizens, and \$4.00 for students and may be reserved in advance or purchased at the door the evening of the performance.

The production, directed by Aaron Adair, features musical direction by Pat Fowzer and choreography by Greenville resident Patti Swanson.

Sandlin endorsed by ag groups

U.S. Representative Max Sandlin has been endorsed by two key agricultural groups, the National Farmers Union Political Action Committee and the Texas Farm Bureau.

"I am proud that both of these reputable groups, who stand up for the farmers in our nation, have placed their faith in me and have stated that I too stand on the side of the farmers," said Sandlin.

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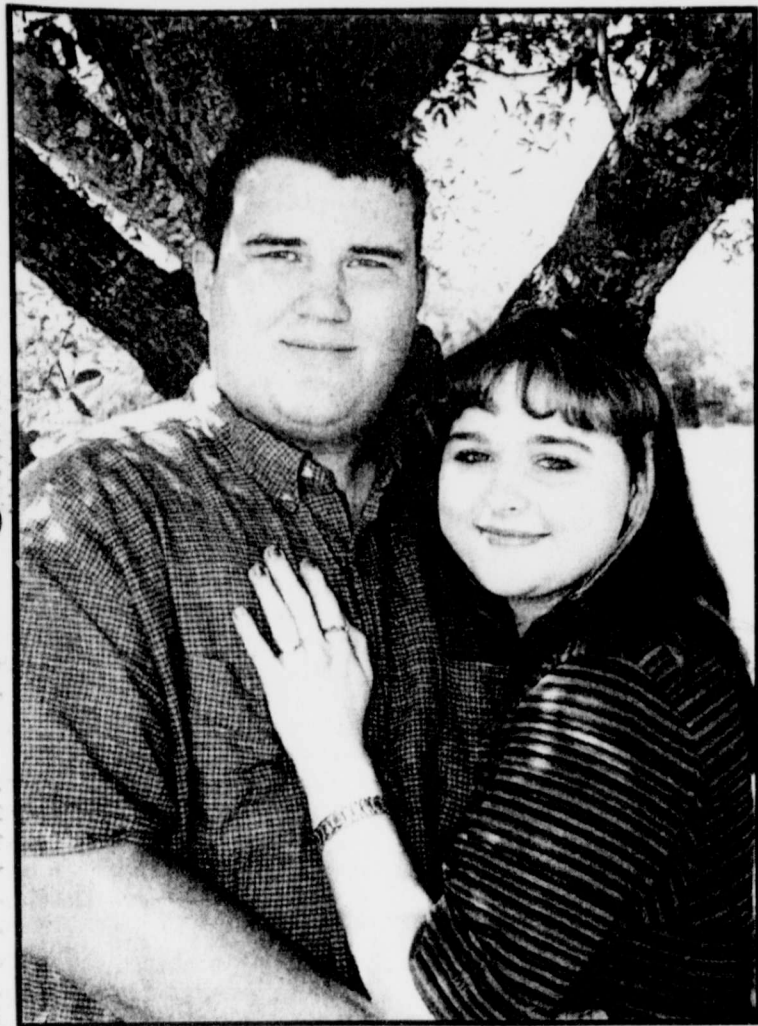
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April Marie Lester with fiance Allen Dennis Beard Bankston

Lester-Bankston to exchange vows

Mr. and Mrs. William Douglas Lester of Reno proudly announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, April Marie Lester to Allen Dennis Beard Bankston.

The couple will be married Saturday, November 16, 2002 at seven o'clock in the evening at Bogata Missionary Baptist Church in Bogata. Bro. Rick Holeman will officiate the ceremony.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Fred and Evon Smith and the late Luther and Jewell Lewis of Clarksville. She is a 2002

graduate of North Lamar High School and is employed by Wal-Mart in Paris as a cashier.

Her fiance is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Steve Ray Bankston of Sumner and the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry D. Dennis of Sumner and Charlotte Bankston of Windom and the late Fred Ray Bankston. He is a 2002 graduate of North Lamar High School and is employed by Wal-Mart in Paris.

Family and friends are invited to attend the ceremony and reception following.

Golden & Damron families hold reunion

The Golden and Damron reunion was held recently at the community center in Bogata, TX. The day was spent visiting, taking pictures, playing games, and enjoying the food.

Attending from Paris were: Dorothy Damron Morton, Bob and Wanda (Golden) McMillin, Traci-Reece-Cody-Delaney Dollins, George, Lisa and Amanda Golden; Richard Don Yarbrough and Pat Groves; Chris, Kristi and Tori Nicholson.

From Longview: Bill Jackson; Nellie Jackson; Martha Richardson.

From Lewisville: Sara Faye (Damron) Duncan and Huslean Duncan.

From Dallas: Yvonne Day Spencer.

From Plano: R.O. Damron

From Songer, TX: Tonya Damron Ford and Allyson Ford.

From Everman, TX: Thomas Wesley Damron, Cindy and Victoria Damron.

From Roxton: Thelma and Albert Anderson.

From Bogata: Buddy & Bobbie Damron; David & Deanna (Damron) Vickery and Cody & Faith Vickery; Maxine Topping.

Best students name best teachers

A select group of America's teachers are being honored by their toughest critics, their former students, in the seventh edition of Who's who Among America's Teachers, 2002.

All of the approximately 114,000 teachers being honored were selected by their former students who themselves are currently listed in who's who Among American High School Students or The National Dean's List publications.

The students were requested to nominate the one teacher from their entire academic career who made a difference in their lives by helping to shape their values, inspiring interest in a particular subject and/or challenging them to strive for excellence. Many of the students commented about the enthusiasm and knowledge their teachers demonstrated in the classroom and many praised their

teachers for their ability to relate to youngsters on a personal as well as a professional level.

Local educators honored include:

From Blossom: Marilyn Tribbey Fuller, Paris Junior College.

From Bogata: Kenneth L. Haley, PJC; Pamela Marie Verner Hays, Rivercrest HS; Genger Georgene Jordan, Rivercrest Elementary; Neva Jean Oats, Rivercrest Elementary; Gayle G. Reeder, Rivercrest Elementary.

From Deport: Billie Jo Ford, Prairiland ISD, Deport campus.

From Detroit: Kelley Woodby Ferguson, Detroit Jr/Sr HS; Cheryl Hart Marquez, Detroit Jr/Sr HS.

From Pattonville: Eddie Parker, Chisum; David Calvin Phillips, Prairiland HS.

From Talco: Henrietta King, Talco JH.

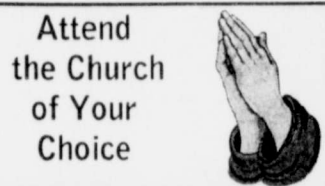
Golf course burglary is Crime of Week

You can earn up to \$1000.00 in cash, by providing Crime Stoppers with the information that will lead to the arrest of the person or persons responsible for committing the following felony crime.

Sometime during the night of Friday, October 4, unknown suspects forced entry into the Paris Golf & Country Club. The suspects stole several golf carts and damaged areas of the golf course. This burglary resulted in over \$20,000.00 in lost and damaged property.

If you have any information on this, or any other felony crime, please call Crime Stoppers. If Crime Stoppers receives that information by October 21, an arrest is made of those persons respon-

sible, Crime Stoppers will pay you a cash reward of up to \$1,000.00. All calls do remain anonymous and you will not have to testify in court. So lets all work together to fight crime! Call Crime Stoppers today at (785-8477).



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A Memorial day proclamation in 1921

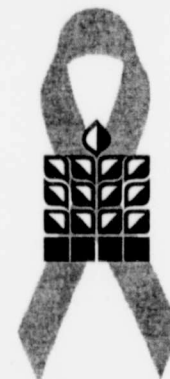
Sharon Francis found this old clipping at Deport City Hall recently, and brought it down with the comment "I wonder what would happen if we tried to declare a holiday using the words about God, and so on now?"

The story is a AP story, dated May 3, 1921 and reads as follows.

"The annual memorial day proclamation setting aside May 30 as a holiday was issued by President Harding today. The text follows:

"Whereas this nation has been conceived in prayer and devotion by men and women who were moved under God to found a nation where principles of right should form the lasting cornerstone; and whereas these principles purchased at the price of great sacrifice have been fostered by a worthy posterity, and whereas the great war has lately laid its costly demands upon our lands; now, therefore, I Warren G. Harding, President of the United States, do hereby proclaim Monday, the thirtieth day of May a day already freighted with sacred and stimulated memories, a day of public memorial. I invite my fellow citizens fittingly to pay homage on this day to a noble dead who sleep in homeland, beneath the sea, or in foreign fields so that we, who survive, might enjoy the blessings of peace and happiness and to the end that liberty and justice, without which no nation can exist, shall live forever.

"I witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and cause the seal of the united States to be fixed. Done in the District of Columbia, this third day of May, in the year of our Lord, 1921, and of the independence of the united States.



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Throughout the month of October, ETMC Clarksville is offering special

pricing of \$85 for a screening mammogram and the radiologist's interpretation.

To make an appointment, please call (903) 427-6464. A physician's referral is not necessary to receive a screening mammogram, although the results of your exam will be sent to the physician you designate.

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2002-2003 TEXAS A & M UNIVERSITY-Commerce Lion Cheerleaders are: (from the left back row) Brandon Griffin, Daniel Bolten, Ricky Weber and Diab Joudeh; (standing in the middle from the left) Maria Lagios, Danielle Mitchell, Casey Kerzee, Brittany Bull, Kendra Tredway, Kacey Nobile and Emily Borchardt, (kneeling on the front row from the left) Chris Cordt, Jayme Dauzat and Captain Michelle Harmon. The TAMUC Cheerleaders are coached by Kristi Frost. Texas A & M Commerce Homecoming is on Saturday, October 26 at 2:00 p.m. They will be hosting Eastern New Mexico. Brittany Bull is the daughter of Leah Lewis of Bogata and Terry Bull of Paris. She is a 2002 graduate of Rivercrest High School.

Rebels fall 20-13 to Warriors

The Rivercrest JV football team took on Honey Grove Thursday night. The Rebels were defeated 20 to 13.

The Offense had 148 yards rushing. Matt Ross had 4 carries for 26 yards and 1 TD.

Adam Horn had 6 carries for 41 yards; Jake Needham had 5 carries for 1 yard; Bradley Rollen had 4 carries for 65 yards; Jonathan Riddens twice for 10 yards and Dustin Adair had 1 carry for 5 yards.

Needham was 0 for 3 with no yards and 1 interception. Rollen was 1 for 4 for 26 yards with 1 TD and 1 interception.

Chance Crawford received once for 26 yards and one TD.

The defense saw Ross with 12 tackles; Horn with 6; Keith Perry with 6; Rollen with 5; Adair with 5; Riddens with 3; Dustin Perry with 2; Morris with 2; Crawford with 2 and Chris Cannon with 1.

Horn had one interception and Keith Perry and Chase Hurst both recovered fumbles.

Rivercrest Schools Menus Oct. 28-Nov. 1

MONDAY

Breakfast
Pancakes w/syrup
condiments
juice & milk
Lunch
Taco salad
lettuce & tomatoes
refried beans
fruit
milk

TUESDAY

Breakfast
Sausage & biscuit
condiments
juice & milk
Lunch
Bar B Q wieners
potato salad
baked beans
cornbread
milk

WEDNESDAY

Breakfast
Cereal
toast
condiments
juice & milk
Lunch
Chicken nuggets
creamed potatoes
green beans
hot rolls
milk

THURSDAY

Breakfast
French toast sticks
condiments
juice & milk
Lunch
Pizza
corn
salad
fruit
milk

FRIDAY

Breakfast
Oatmeal
toast
condiments
juice & milk
Lunch
Cheeseburgers
burger salad
beans
chips
ice cream
milk



Rebel Year Books on Sale

The 2002/2003 Rebel Sabre yearbook will go on sale at the Elementary, November 5; Junior High, November 6 and High School, November 7.

Yearbooks can be bought on the Rivercrest campus before school and during both lunches.

Yearbooks will be sold on the elementary and high school campuses before school and during first period.

The cost of the yearbook will be \$35. If you want to have your name engraved on the cover, there will be an extra \$6.00 charge. Names having over 21 characters will be set in two lines and charged for two names (word spaces count as a character). Plastic covers can be ordered for \$2.00 each.

If you have any questions, please call the high school at 903-632-5204.

Author, Eddie Bowman visits Rivercrest Elementary

Missouri author, Eddie Bowman visited Rivercrest Elementary School on Friday, October 11, 2002. Mr. Bowman has been a comedian in Branson (known as Chester Drawers).

He has written songs which go with four of his books. Students were taught the songs by Mrs. Neva Oats in music class so everyone really enjoyed singing along to "Silly Dog", "Gilbert the

Goose", "Sophie the Snowflake" and "Gravy on a Bucket Lid".

Mr. Bowman shared stories from his life experiences that inspired and encouraged the students to do and be their best. He autographed books, photos and bookmarks bought by the students. Everyone had a wonderful time and appreciated Mr. Bowman's visit.

Red Ribbon Week Oct. 23-31

Kids Safety Society Coalition is joining the Texas commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse to promote health, drug free lifestyles during Red Ribbon 2002, which is being celebrated October 23-31.

Observances have spread to every part of the country, involving millions of children, teachers, parents and members of the community.

The average age for the first use of beer in Texas is 12.4 years. A person who begins drinking before the age of 15 is four times

more likely to develop alcohol dependency problems than those who begin drinking at age 21.

There are many myths concerning youth and the usage of alcohol, drugs and tobacco. Reality is that parents are the key to the drug problem in communities.

Red Ribbon Week lasts one week each year but the fight against all drug use and abuse should continue the remaining 51 weeks of the year. For more information, log on to www.ksscoalition.org or call 737-4309.

Cross Country District meet to be held in Prairiland

Schools in District 17AA will send their Cross Country teams to Prairiland on Saturday, October 26, 2002 for the district meet.

The Jr. High Girls/Boys race will begin at 10:00 a.m.; the JV Girls will start at 10:30 a.m. followed by the JV Boys at 11:00 a.m. Varsity Girls will run at 11:30 a.m. and Varsity Boys will run at 12:00 noon.

The top 3 varsity teams and the top 10 individuals will qualify for the Regional Race in Huntsville on November 2, 2002. Everyone is encouraged to come out and support the Rivercrest Jr. High Lady Rebels; High School Lady Rebels and Rebels as they work for district championships. The teams are coached by Debbie Williams.



Rivercrest Rebels Will Play Prairiland Patriots HERE, This Thursday

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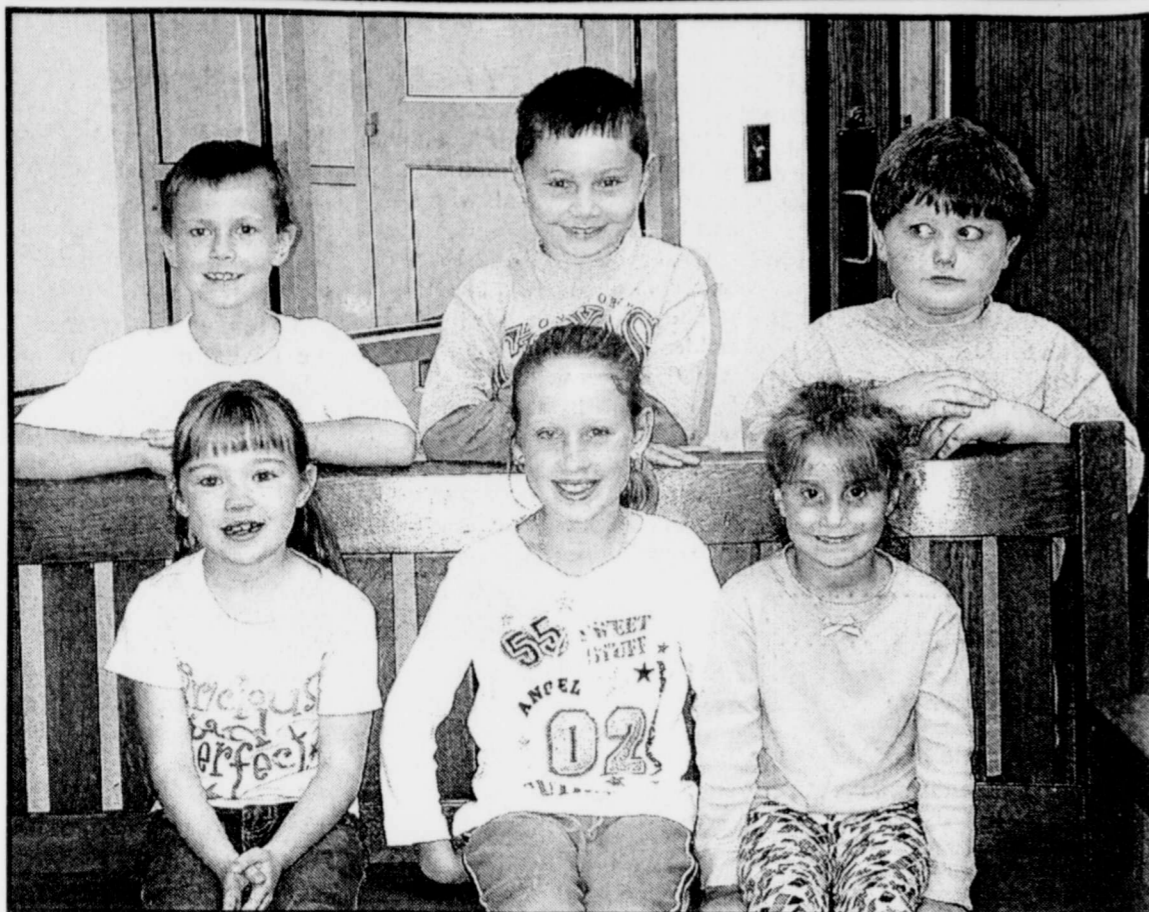
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CLASS FAVORITES-Chosen as Class Favorites from the Rivercrest Elementary classes, Kindergarten, Second and Third are; (from the left) Second graders; Candace Stansell, the daughter of David and Robyn Stansell of Talco and Wesley Davidson, the son of Gary and Julie Davidson of Bogata; Third graders; Brooklyn Bishop, the daughter of Justin and Angie Bishop of Bogata and Jacob Harville, the son of Jeff and Kelly Harville of Bogata and Kindergarten; Caitlin Tidwell, daughter of Clint and Melanie Tidwell of Bogata and Chris Kennedy, son of Randy and Christy Kennedy of Bogata. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

Harden reunion held

The descendants of R. L. and Mattie Harden gathered for their 23rd annual family reunion beginning Friday, October 11, and continuing Saturday, Oct 12, 2002 at the Harden campsite east of Jolton, Texas.

Those in attendance were Maggie Lee, Ruby Sistrunk, Charlotte & Charles Sistrunk; and Dan & Mary Kathryn Cotton; all of Bogata; Cleta Medders from Oklahoma; Melrose & Robert Harden from Nash; Bob & Glenda Brasher from Waxahachie; Richard Sistrunk; Gordan & Ruby Williams; Fayrene Wallace; Amy

Riley; Dusten Ingram; and Ron & Sara Williams, all from Mount Pleasant; Sonny Williams from Mansfield; Martha & Corky Cloyd from The Colony; Bob & Rita Harden from Sunnyvale; Ben, Tammy & Braden Condray; Jordan Doles; Kendall Doles; Kelsie Korenek and Neal Ellis all from Midlothian; Rhonda Turner from Ft. Collins, Co.; and Sylvia, William, Alex, and Cristina Vance from Westminster, Co. and Bob Barnard from Craig, Co. Good fun, fellowship, and food were enjoyed by everyone.

Top AR Readers named

The names of the top Accelerated Readers for the 1st six weeks at Rivercrest Jr. High have been named. They are: 6th grade, Santiago Lopez with 36.4 points; 7th grade, Katelyn Van Deaver with 69.4 points and 8th grade, Erica Tucker with 60.0 points.

Each student received a 35mm camera for their efforts. Congratulations to all, keep up the good work!



MAYLEE JADE BELCHER celebrated her 3rd birthday with a Halloween theme party given by her parents, Derek Belcher and Mallory Chaloner at the home of her great-grandparents in Pine Branch. Celebrating with Maylee and her parents were her grandparents, Tommy and Julie Childres, Jim Bill and Denise Chaloner, great-grandparents, Billy and Fran Littrell and Peggy Belcher. Also present were Pam Littrell, Misty, Landon, Lexie and Layna Earley, LaTrisha and JaLynn English, Doris Belcher, Alex Killian, Regan and Rue Anna Bell, Jerrod and LaTonya Miller, Steven, Melanie, Jacob and Kaleb Thomas, Ken and Sheilla Martin, Raney Cortez, Jennifer, Andrew and Taylor Meyers and Caleb Crawford. Maylee received many nice gifts and a great time was had by all.



COWBOY CODY-Cody Murphy that is, celebrated his third birthday October 6, 2002 at his home in Bagwell, Texas. There were thirty-five in attendance. Cody received many nice presents. He is a cowboy at heart and his favorite thing to do is go to check the cows with his friend Bill Barton and to visit his Aunt Pattie Barton. Cody is the son of Michael and Cami Murphy of Bagwell. His Papa and Nannie are James and Linda Eilers of Cuthand, Texas.

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"Make-A-Wish" foundation grants Clarksville child's wish

The Make-A-Wish Foundation of North Texas granted a very special wish for Sarah, a 12-year old girl from Clarksville on October 17.

Sarah, an avid camper, but has had difficulty using public camping facilities due to mobility restrictions, had wished for her very own camper trailer so that she could enjoy all the comforts of home while on the go with her family. The camper, a 2003 Trail Lite, 21 1/2 foot travel trailer, is equipped with air conditioning, microwave, conventional oven, stereo, awning and even a bathtub.

Sarah was honored at a special parade through town, including the fire department, police department, high school band, cheerleaders and more. She was pre-

sented the key to the city by the mayor and was guest of honor at a luncheon to celebrate her wish come true.

Guaranty Bond Bank, Bogata was instrumental in providing a television and VCR for Sara's entertainment while traveling.

The mission of the Make-a-Wish Foundation is to grant the wishes of children with life threatening illnesses in order to enrich the human experience with hope, strength and joy.

Sarah's wish is the fourth granted in Clarksville by the foundation since 1999. Other wishes granted for local children have included an above ground swimming pool, a trip to Disney World, and meeting McGruff the Crime Dog.



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Sympathy is extended to the family of Vickie Bryant.

Paul, Kim and Quinton Anderson visited Mr. and Mrs. M.A. Anderson and Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Hearn and Savannah Sunday morning.

Happy October Birthday to: Hilda N. Patrick, Harold Verner, Doyle Williams, June Young, Bobby Dean Massey, Michael Ross Murphy, Justin Clark, Maylee Belcher, Charles Cruise, Patti Couch, Lindsey Alford, Lanny Crow, Mark Duffee, Bren Cobb, Harold Neeley, Lori Stiles, Morgan Tabb, Ladona Couch,

Kristie Damron, Don Stockton, Deawana C. Lee and Brittany Walesiak.

Happy October Anniversary to: Brandon and Heather Williams and Jerry and Torina House.

Ricky and Sherri Cheatwood toured points of interest in southwest Louisiana and southeast Texas over the weekend including the McIlhenny Company Tabasco Factory on Avery Island, LA, The Shadows on the Teche Plantation in New Iberia, LA, Holly Beach Island, LA., Port Arthur, Beaumont and Orange, TX.

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Halloween carnival and supper

The Hagansport Community Center will be the site of a Halloween Carnival and Stew/Chili supper on Saturday, October 26, 2002. The event is being sponsored by North Franklin Volunteer Fire Department. Stew and chili will be served beginning at 5:00 p.m. Carnival activities will begin at 6:30 p.m. There will be many different games including a cake walk, dart throw and haunted house. All proceeds from the event will benefit the North Franklin Volunteer Fire Department.



RIVERCREST YOUTH FOR CHRIST group attended to Billy Graham Metroplex Mission at Texas Stadium on October 18. Attending were Megan Horn, Ashley Kuhle, Alysa Hildebrand, Lacy Harper, Jamie Wilson, Lyssa Price, Sara Brooks, Kacey Van Deaver, Clayton Watkins, Ashley Beers, Dayna Mauldin, tim Carder, Bailie Spencer, Kristin Simmons, Margaret Fowler, Lori Franks and Youth for Christ sponsor, Pam Hays.

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On Friday, October 18, 2002, a group of 14 Youth for Christ attended the Billy Graham Metroplex Mission at Texas Stadium. The group arrived at Texas Stadium amid rain and thunder-showers, but their spirits were not dampened by the weather. They were the first attendees to enter the stadium, so they were able to have a pick of the seats. The group had time to walk around Texas Stadium and look at the books, shirts, c.d.'s and other items that were on display. Each member received an item called a "back-stage pass" which contained a computer c.d. with video from several singers and participants in the Billy Graham Crusade. The c.d. also contains the whole Bible with special sections about the miracles and parables of Jesus and other special events in the Bible.

During the service, they saw and listened to Cliff Barrows, Pat Summerall, Jaci Velasquez, Randy Travis, George Beverly Shea, Rev. Franklin Graham and of course, Rev. Billy Graham. Along with these special people being there in person, they also saw a video with Pat Summerall interviewing Bill Bates, Darren Woodsen and other sports professionals about their life with Christ. As the meeting concluded several hundred people answered the invitation. After leaving the service, everyone stated that it was definitely worth the trip. The group stopped at IHOP in Rockwall for supper and arrived back at Rivercrest around 1:15 a.m. The Youth for Christ group hopes to have more activities during the year, but they know that none will be as memorable as this one. Those who attended the service were: Megan Horn, Ashley Kuhle, Alysa Hildebrand, Lacy Harper, Jamie Wilson, Lyssa Price, Sara Brooks, Kacey Van Deaver, Clayton Watkins, Ashley Beers, Dayna Mauldin, Tim Carder, Bailie Spencer, Kristin Simmons, Margaret Fowler, Lori Franks and Youth for Christ sponsor, Pam Hays.

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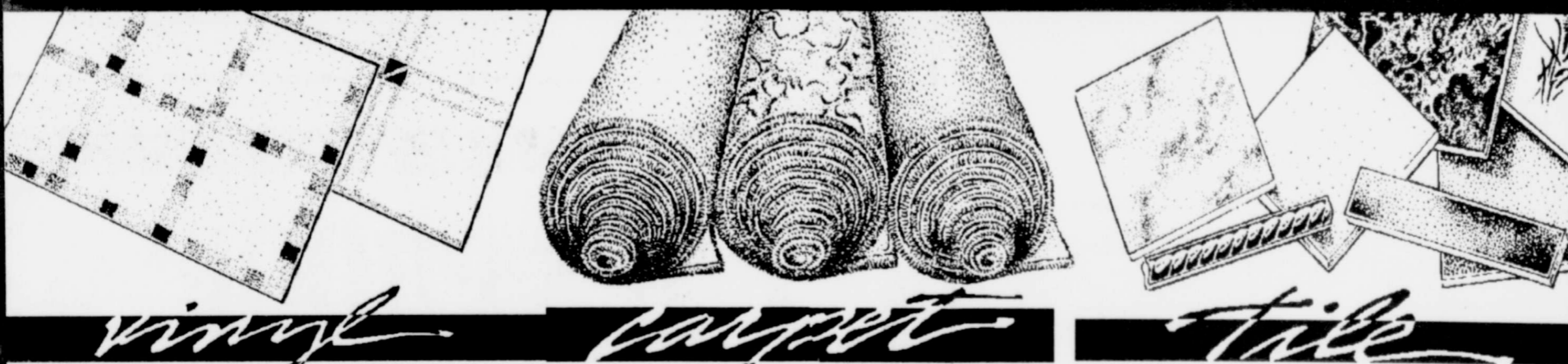
Beef producer meeting Oct. 29

Beef producers are invited to attend a producer meeting Tuesday, October 29 at the American Legion Building in Clarksville at 6:30 p.m. with a washpot chili and trimmings sponsored by program speakers. The program will include V.J. Ryan of Pennington

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Don Covington, a producer from Choctaw County, will discuss plans of American Native Beef to build a 20 millin cow harvesting and processing plant in southeastern Oklahoma that will be producer owned cooperative and would initially process 400 head per day or about 102,000 per year.

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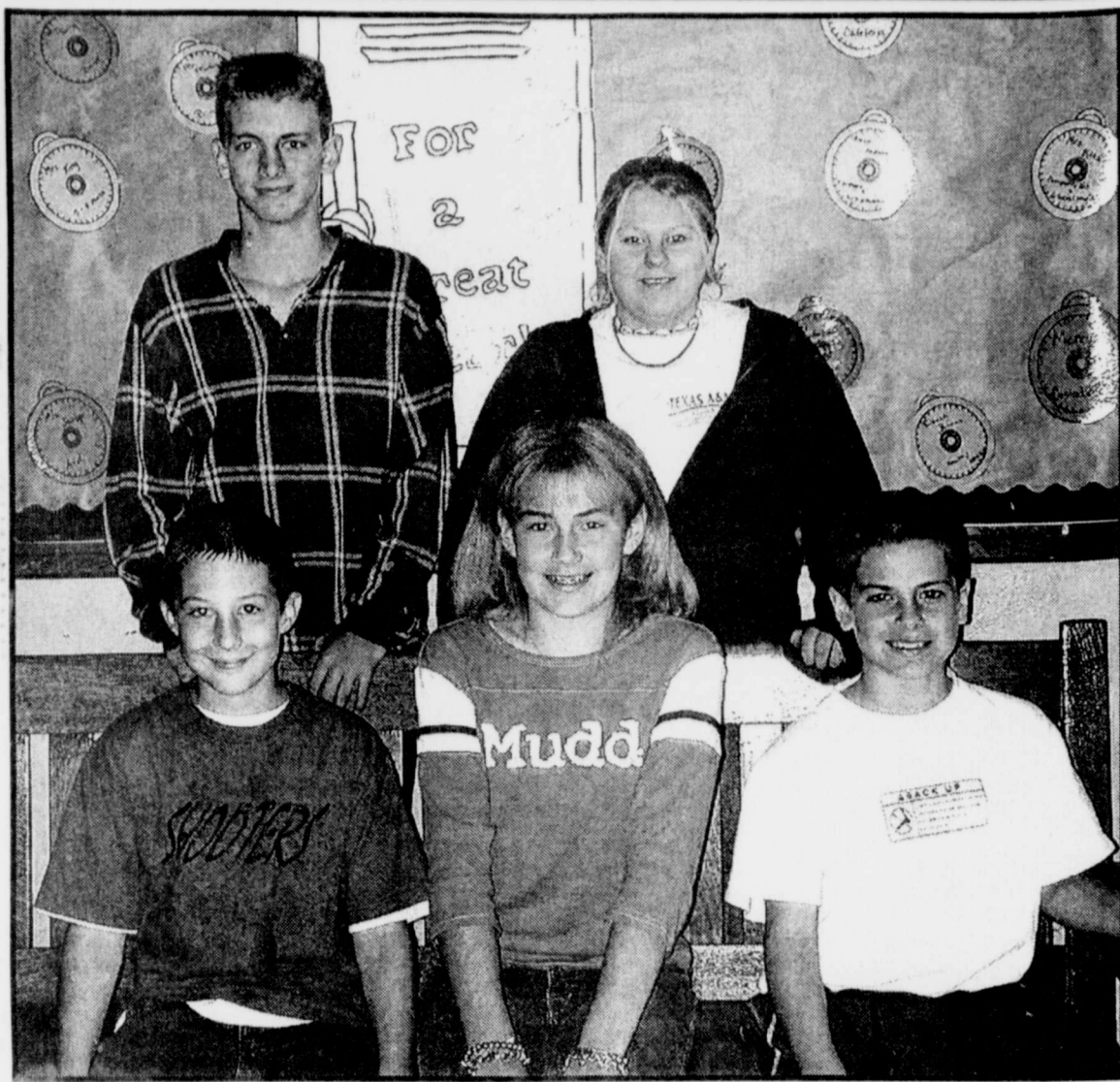
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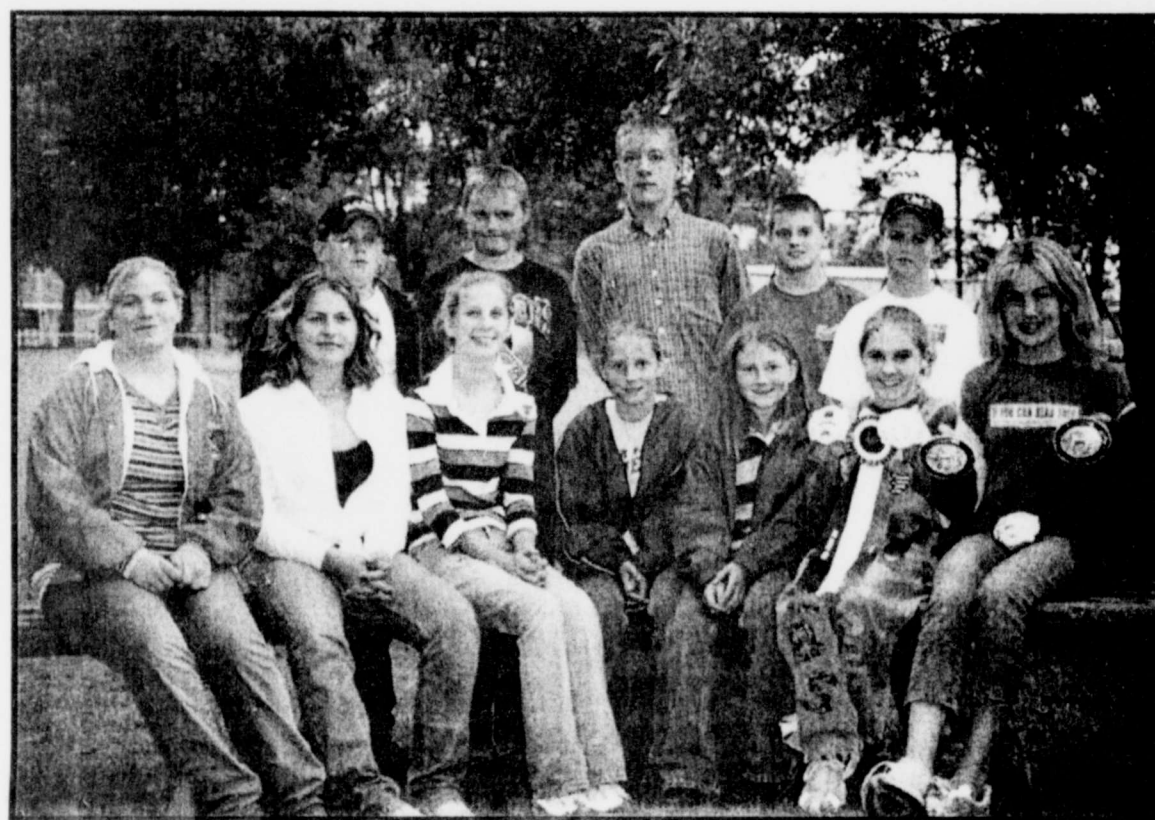


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RIVERCREST JUNIOR HIGH-Sixth and Seventh grade class favorites this year are; (back) Seventh graders; C.J. Kerr, the son of Gene and Michelle Landreth of Bogata and Sara Jean, the daughter of Donald and Freda Jean of Bogata and (front from the left) Sixth graders; Matthew Haynes, the son of John and Mikel Haynes of Bogata, Jillian Sloan, the daughter of Mike and Judy Sloan of Talco and Jarod Davidson, the son of Gary and Julie Davidson of Bogata. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)



TALCO 4-H MEMBERS-this year are; (back from the left) Bud Douglas, E.J. Via, Josh McGee, Ty Brown and Laramie Lum and (front from the left) Melanie Smith, Laci Hinton, Laura Bevell, Amber Via, Brandi Via, Kelsey Franks and Jillian Sloan. Not pictured is Kayla Birchfield.

Talco 4-H successful at Titus Co.

by Lori Franks

The Talco 4-H participated in the Titus Co. Fair September 27 and did a great job showing their 4-H projects. The members have been preparing for the show since last spring and their hard work finally paid off for them.

The club was very excited to learn they had been awarded the Herdsmanship Award during the fair! This is only the Clubs second year in existence and they have done a wonderful job working together.

Making the livestock sale with their projects were: Bud Douglas-steer; Josh McGee-goat; Ty Brown-lamb; Laramie Lum-goat; Melanie Smith-chickens; Laci Hinton-chickens; Laura Bevell-goat; Amber Via-goat; Brandi Via-goat; Kelsey Franks-hog; Jillian Sloan-lamb.

Melanie Smith won the Sweep-

stakes with her grape jelly; Kelsey Franks won Best of Show; Best in class and Sweepstakes in photography. She also won a belt buckle for Jr. Showmanship in the goats and a belt buckle for Jr. Showmanship in the hogs. Jillian Sloan won belt buckles for Grand Champion in the lambs and Reserve Champion in the goats. She also won a buckle for Jr. Showmanship in the lambs. Laci Hinton won a buckle for Most Knowledgeable in the chickens and she won Grand Champion with her heifer. Kayla Birchfield won a Best Dressed Award.

The Talco 4-H members have had a successful year and would like to thank their families for helping them and supporting them with their projects. The Club is looking forward to another great year.



Revival scheduled at Day Spring House of Prayer

Day Spring House of Prayer in Deport will be holding revival services October 27 through November 2. On October 27 through 29, Bro. Mike Hardin will bring the service at 7 p.m. On October 30 and November 1, the service will be conducted by Bro. Mixam, also at 7 p.m. On November 2, singing will conclude the revival from 3 until 7 p.m. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.



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Accelerated Reader Club reports points earned during 1st six weeks

Rivercrest Junior High is proud to announce the number of Accelerated Reading points earned during the first six weeks of school by its students. They are as follows:

20 Point Club: Laura Beville; Kristen Clark, Rocky Gillam, Jasper Hodge, Christin Holland, Carmen Martin, Daniel Meade, Ethan Meredith, Alex Savage and Kaimbri White.

25 Point Club: Chrystal Anderson, Douglas Briggie, Andy

Gardner, Destinie Hurst, Santiago Lopez, Kaylee McIntire, Frank McLaughlin, Callen Morgan, Emily Rector, Aaron Rolan, Vikkie Schmidt, Ashley Shew, Stanley Smith, Jessica Thompson, Miriam Williams and Joseph Wright.

50 Point Club: Nikki Ebarb, Franny Galyean, Lauren Mauldin, Erica Tucker, Katelyn Van Deaver and Heather Yager.

Congratulations to these students for their hard work.

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Class of '72' to reunite Oct. 26

The Rivercrest High School graduating class of 1972 will celebrate their 30th year reunion on October 26, 2002 at the Bogata Community Center.

Visitation will begin at 3:00 p.m. followed by a meal at 6:00 p.m. Bar-B-Que will be cooked by Larry Harville. Each family should bring their favorite salad or dessert to compliment the meal.

All classmates of the class are invited to attend and a special invitation is extended to those classmates who moved before 1972 and the classes of '71' and '73'.

Plan to come early and stay late. For more information call Terry Dodd at 972-216-7552 or Larry Harville at 817-430-9046.

Daisy Girl Scouts meet

Rivercrest Daisy Girl Scout Troop 175 held their second meeting October 15 at the Rivercrest Elementary School. Attending were troop leaders Kelly Cortez and Denise Wood, troop members Raney Cortez, Jalyn Weddle, Mackenzie Fields, Lexie Earley, Melinda Barbosa, Ashlyn Kennedy, Caitlin Tidwell, Callie Easley and Mayzie Purviance.

The Hello Circle was led by Caitlin Tidwell. Lexie Earley was leader for the Pledge of Allegiance and the Girl Scout Promise. The girls earned their Daisy Scout Promise Center for memorizing the Girl Scout law.

The troop had a special guest, Red River County Deputy Tiffany Flowers, who showed a video tape of 911 safety rules. The troop learned the correct way to use the system and Deputy Flowers answered questions from the girls.

They were fingerprinted and each one received a coloring book and a gift bag. This helped them receive two badges, the Magenta Petal "Respect Authority" and the Orange Petal "Responsible for What I Say and Do."

For the craft project, the troop made sit upons, a tradition of the Scouts. It is a cushion used to sit on at meetings and at camp. Troop leader Kelly designed the pattern and helped the girls sew the cushions. Each girl brought newspaper to stuff their sit upon. They learned how to recycle items for their own use. This earned them a

fun patch, "I'm a Recycler." Daisy Scouts Mackenzie Fields and Callie Easley were leaders for craft time. Felina the bunny was introduced. The stuffed bunny is the mascot of the Daisy Girl Scout Troop in Topeka, KS. The two troops are exchanging mascots and friendship swaps. The girls had their picture made with Felina to send back to Kansas.

Snacks were provided by Kim Fields. The food was in a Halloween theme with Mummy dogs, Halloween chips, ghost cookies and soft drinks. Kim gave each girl a plastic Halloween cup to take home. Daisy Scouts Jalyn Weddle and Melinda Barbosa were leaders for the snacks.

The girls practiced their program and songs for the Investiture Ceremony to be held in November. They played two games, the Gopher Game and Leap Frog.

Mayzie Purviance led the girls in the closing ceremony. They joined hands and performed the Wish Circle. Ashlyn Kennedy was the leader for the Kaper board and Raney Cortez was leader for clean up.

Troop leaders Kelly and Denise attended an eight hour training by the American Red Cross on CPR and First Aid. They are now certified to do CPR on infants, children and adults. This completes the training for Girl Scouts.

The next troop meeting will be October 30 when the girls will have a Halloween party.

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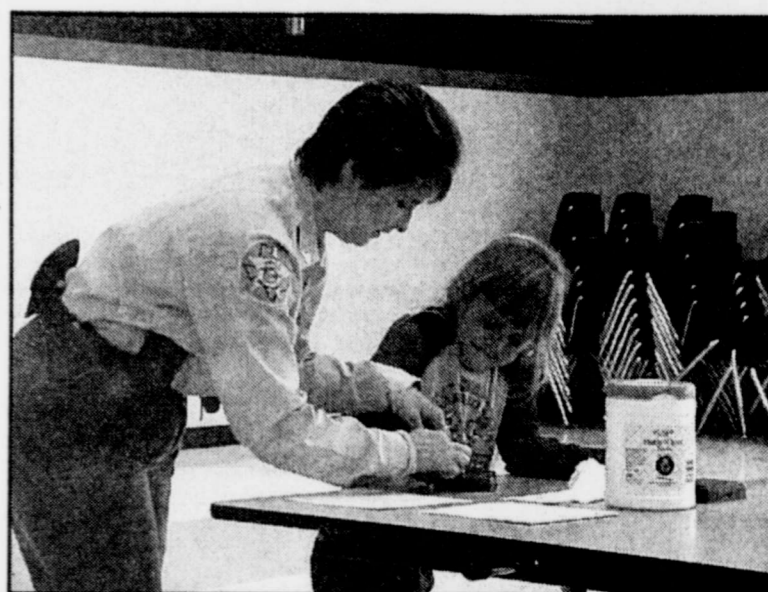
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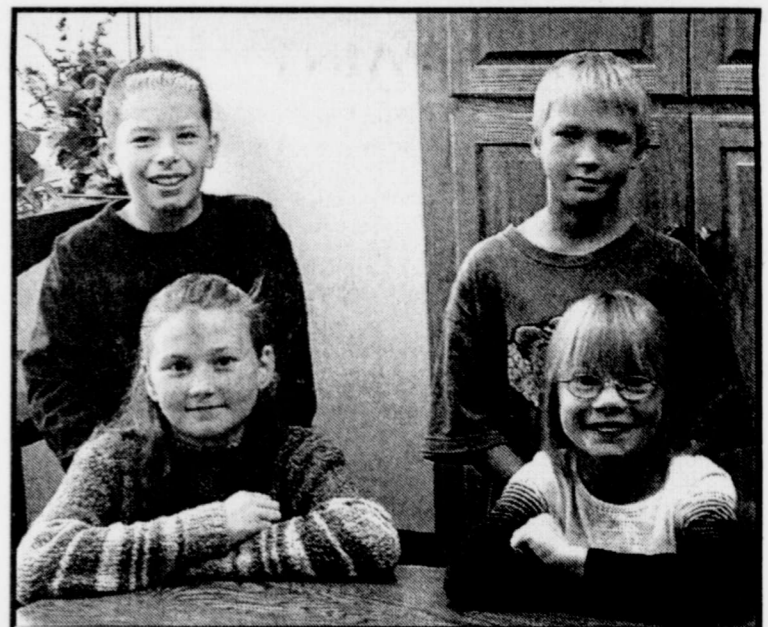
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October 27

Daylight Savings Time ends October 27, 2002. Fall back 1 hour when you go to bed Saturday night.



RED RIVER COUNTY DEPUTY Tiffany Flowers fingerprints Mayzie Purviance, member of Daisy Scout Troop 175 during their last meeting. Deputy Flowers gave the troop members instructions on how to use the 911 system.



RIVERCREST FAVORITES-Chosen as Class Favorites from the Rivercrest Elementary fifth and fourth grades are; (from the left) Fifth graders; Brandi Via, the daughter of Jimmy and Lisa Via of Talco and Alec Moreno, the son of Eric and Debbie Moreno of Bogata and Fourth graders; Amber Whitney, the daughter of Jessica Whitney of Bogata and Brandon Budro, the son of Roy and Kim Barrett of Bogata. (Staff Photo Nancy Brown)

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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@1starnet.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.





Miss Red River County Courthouse to be crowned

In conjunction with the dedication of the restoration of the courthouse and the Fall Bazaar in Clarksville, the first ever Miss Red River County Courthouse will be crowned on October 26.

A minimum of five contestants are required. Contestants must be between 16-22 years of age, single, a resident of Red River County for at least one year and be attired in daywear late 1800's period clothing. The pageant will begin at 10 a.m. on the east stage of the courthouse.

Contestants will be judged on originality, poise and stage presentation. There will be only one rehearsal the week before the pageant and all contestants are required to attend.

Master of Ceremonies will be Mac Varley.

There is no entry fee. Prizes totaling almost \$1,000 in the form of cash, savings bonds, gift certificates and gifts have been donated by local merchants.

Bogata Methodist Women meet

The Bogata Methodist Women met Wednesday, October 9, 2002 in the Education Building for their regular scheduled meeting. Ten members were present.

Naoma Goodman opened the meeting with a prayer and also presented the program, based on caring and sharing. The Scripture reading was taken from Luke 2:1-20. The story, "The Glory to the Highway" was read. It tells of a family who shared their Christmas joy with others by creating a beautiful light display at their home. It started with just a string of lights and grew to a lighting display of immense proportion.

Naoma emphasized that we should take time daily to pray, worship, think, read, laugh, love, dream and spent time for our friends. Members shared their Christmas experiences.

Mary Kathryn Cotten presided at the business session. Plans for the Fall Bazaar, which will be held November 9, 2002 were discussed. Donation tickets are available. A patriotic quilt, quilted by the Methodist women will be given away that day, after the drawing of the lucky ticket. Anita Stubblefield will be in charge of the Christmas meeting. The meeting closed with dismissal prayer.

The time to relax is when you don't have time for it. -Sydney J. Harris

Public Notices

LEGAL NOTICE
Region VIII Education Center is seeking public comment on a Technology Applications Readiness Grant for Empowering Texas (TARGET grant) which utilizes funds from the Federal No Child Left Behind Act. Information on TARGET grants can be found at <http://www.tea.state.tx.us/technology/target/>. If you have comments, please contact Dale McCurdy at 903-572-8551 or you may mail comments to: Region VIII Education Service Center, Attn: Dale McCurdy, P.O. Box 1894, Mt. Pleasant, Texas 75456. 10-24

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION
The reauthorization of the local sales and use tax in the City of Deport at the rate of one-fourth of one percent to continue providing revenue for maintenance and repair of municipal streets. To be held November 5, 2002 at the Deport City Hall, 201 Main Street in the City of Deport, Texas. Early voting ballot will begin October 15 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Deport City Hall at the above address. By order of Mayor Gilbert Arriaga. 10-24

NOTICE OF REFERENDUM
In accordance with the provisions of the Texas Agriculture Code, Chapter 74, Subchapter D, and 4 Tex. Admin. Code, Chapter 3, Subchapter A, the Texas Department of Agriculture (the Department) will conduct a referendum on the proposition of whether or not cotton growers shall establish a boll weevil eradication program in the area designated by rule as the Northern Blacklands Boll Weevil Eradication Zone and pay a maximum annual assessment in the amount of \$13.25 per land acre of cotton each year until costs of the eradication program plus finance charges are paid off, which is anticipated to take up to 10 years, and a nominal maintenance fee thereafter. The initiation of a program at this assessment level is contingent upon obtaining financing and a minimum of 30 percent state and/or federal cost-share funding. If approved, the program and assessment are expected to begin in the zone on a date determined by the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Program Board of Directors.

The Northern Blacklands Eradication Zone consist of all of Montague, Cooke, Grayson, Fannin, Lamar, Red River, Bowie, Cass, Morris, Titus, Franklin, Hopkins, Delta, Hunt, Rockwall, Collin, Denton, Wise, Jack, Parker, Tarrant, Dallas, Kaufman, Rains, VanZandt, Henderson, Navarro, Ellis, Johnson, Hood, Somervell, Bosque, Hamilton and Hill counties; and those parts of McLennan and Limestone counties north of State Highway 84. If a zone program and assessment are approved by this referendum, growers in the zone shall vote again on whether or not to continue eradication efforts after four years of active program activities.

Also, as part of the referendum, a representative of the above-referenced zone will be elected to serve on the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation Board of Directors. The board is charged with administering the boll weevil eradication program in Texas.

The referendum and board election will be held by mail balloting. Ballots will be mailed by November 19, 2002. All ballots cast by mail must be post-marked no later than December 9, 2002, in order to be valid. Any cotton grower having cotton production in 2002 within the zone defined above is eligible to vote, and if he or she resides in the North-

ern Blacklands Boll Weevil Eradication Zone and has at least seven years experience as a cotton grower, to have his or her name placed on the ballot as a candidate in the board member election. A cotton grower is defined as a person who grows cotton and receives income from the sale of cotton. The term includes an individual who, as owner, landlord, tenant or sharecropper, is entitled to share in the cotton grown and available for marketing from the farm or share in the proceeds from the sale of the cotton from the farm.

Any person eligible to vote in the referendum or board member election who resides in the Northern Blacklands boll Weevil Eradication Zone and meets the seven-year experience requirement may place his or her name in nomination for election to the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation Board by written application to the Department at the address provided below. The application shall be on a nomination form provided by the Department and must be signed by the applicant and at least ten other eligible voters. The nomination form must be received in Austin by November 11, 2002, and must provide the legal residence of the applicant. A nomination form may be obtained by contacting the Department office or any county agent located in the voting area.

For more information regarding the referendum and election, or if you are a cotton grower in the above-referenced area and do not receive a ballot, please contact the Texas Department of Agriculture, P.O. Box 12847, Austin, Texas, 78711, telephone 512-463-7593. 11-7

NOTICE OF APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION FOR WATER QUALITY TPDES PERMIT RENEWAL FOR MUNICIPAL WASTEWATER
PERMIT NO. 10869-001
APPLICATION AND PRELIMINARY DECISION: City of Talco, P.O. Box 365, Talco, Texas 75487, has applied to the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) for a renewal of TPDES Permit No. 10869-001, which authorizes the discharge of treated domestic wastewater at a daily average flow not to exceed 125,000 gallons per day. This application was submitted to the TNRCC on July 19, 2002.

The 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 treated effluent is discharged to an unnamed ditch, thence to Prairie Lake; thence to an unnamed tributary of the Sulphur River, thence to the Sulphur/South Sulphur River in Segment No. 0303 of the Sulphur River Basin. The unclassified receiving water uses are no significant aquatic life uses for the unnamed ditch and high aquatic life uses for Prairie Lake. The designated uses for Segment No. 0303 are high aquatic life uses and contact recreational.

The TNRCC executive director has completed the technical review of the application and prepared a draft permit. The draft permit, if approved, would establish the conditions under which the facility must operate. The executive director has made a preliminary decision that this permit, if issued, meets all statutory and regulatory requirements. The permit application, statement of basis/technical summary and executive director's preliminary decision, and draft permit are available for viewing and copying at Talco City Hall, 400 W. Broad Street, Talco, Texas.

PUBLIC COMMENT/PUBLIC MEETING. You may submit public comments or request a public meeting about this application. The purpose of a public meeting is to provide the opportunity to submit written or oral comment or to ask

question about the application. Generally, 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 and requests for a public meeting should be submitted to the Office of the Chief Clerk, MC 105, TNRCC, P.O. Box 13087, Austin, TX 78711-3087 within 30 days of the date of newspaper publication of the notice.

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 a mailing list for this application. If comments are received, the mailing will also provide instructions for requesting a contested case hearing or reconsideration of the executive director's decision. 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 dispute 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. Issues that are not raised in public comments may not be considered during a hearing. The TNRCC may act on this application to renew a permit without providing an opportunity for a contested case hearing if certain criteria are met.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ACTION. The executive director may issue final approval of the application unless a timely contested case hearing request or a timely request for reconsideration is filed. If a timely hearing request or request for reconsideration is filed, the executive director will not issue final approval of the permit and will forward the application and requests to the TNRCC Commissioners for their consideration at a scheduled Commission meeting.

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: (1) 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 address above. 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 also be obtained from city of Talco at the address stated above or by calling Ms. Jone Clemmons, city Secretary at 903-379-3731. LaDonna Castanuela, Chief Clerk Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission 10-24

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Carol Laing, Bill Newman, Josh, Connie and Hana Abshier attended the Reese family reunion over the weekend.

The Maple Springs Missionary Baptist Church held Revival services this week. Guest speaker for the event was Bro. Buddy nifer and Jaden Brown of Powderly.

Terry Howell of Longview visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rayford Pittman and other family and friends over the weekend. Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Brown were in Plano Tuesday where he had a doctor's appointment.

Ritter. Visiting with Eddie and Nancy Brown, Kim, Paul and Quinton Anderson Sunday were Jack, Jen-

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