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By Nanalee Nichols

Happy New Year! This is the fourteenth time I've had the opportunity to say that to readers. It's hard to come up with something new and original to say about New Year's...we all know it's a time for looking forward and back too.

So, after saying Happy New Year, I will urge each and every one to look back over the past year (or years) and forward to what the future may hold with as much good cheer and optimism as possible, and go on to mention that I think my family is getting a little out of hand. Examples?

Remember the catfish story I told last week?

Christmas eve my dad announced that his feelings were very much hurt...that I had treated his fog/catfish story as if it weren't true! I assured him that I, of course, believed every word of it, and it was up to readers to decide whether they bought it or not.

Of course, this Tuesday morning he returned from his route and announced that there were no catfish on the roads today.

"There was, however, an eight pound two ounce bass" he stated firmly.

"Right" I grinned, "How did you know exactly what he weighed? (will I NEVER learn?)"

"Because of his scales" he replied, again quite firmly.

Then, only moments later, I received a letter from my brother, Marshal, who lives in Garland.

I hereby quote portions of abovementioned correspondence.

"On Christmas Day with Marsha and Joyce and families here, things were proceeding as usual until the explosion - a very loud noise that startled all and caused exclamations such as "What was that!" in sequence with the lights flickering out.

Well, I had had some experience with a similar event a few years ago, and calmly and knowledgeably announced that the noise was only the sound of a squirrel exploding!

Then I led the sceptics, some of whom thought that a transformer must have exploded, out to the back alley and sure enough, there on the ground beneath the high-voltage wires were the remains of the freshly electrocuted squirrel. Actually, this squirrel only looked scorched as compared to the previous one, which had literally exploded."

Okay, now, with family members telling me all this stuff, WHAT am I supposed to believe?

I think I'm about up to my ears with tall tales.

A Look Back At 1992 In Review

By Nanalee Nichols

As always it doesn't seem possible that 1992 is already over and a new year looms on the horizon.

A look back into the year 1992 shows, as always, that our town has gained new families, lost old ones.

We've all made new friends...and lost old ones, whom we miss.

The "rehabilitation" of Hwy. 271 was announced in January of 1992, and is still going on.

In February the nearby town of Bogata was devastated by a deluge of "major media" over a supposed AIDS epidemic. For weeks the area was blizzed as fact and fiction mingled. Finally, months later, it seems the entire thing was a cruel hoax.

The new year saw some really heated county politics, and when the dust from the fight cleared election results saw a new Lamar County Sheriff, B.J. McCoy, and all other

county office holders were re-elected.

Prairiland Sports rolled on, as the seasons progressed, football, volleyball and track, basketball, baseball. Academically Prairiland students did well too, in UIL competitions.

Sadly, the crime rate went up. Fundraisers went on for volunteer fire departments, schools, organizations. These featured chili, stew, hamburgers...whatever could be done to help raise money for good causes and brought folks together.

Dr. L.C. Stout was named Prairiland Superintendent after Max Ballard's resignation. Buddy Freeman was appointed principal at Blossom School.

Pattonville Baptist Church celebrated their Centennial.

In July and June heavy, violent thunderstorms uprooted trees, devastated power lines and did expensive

damage throughout the area as it seemed seldom a day went by without the storms.

The summer was wet, and mild for this part of the world, with record breaking lows instead of highs.

Guaranty Bank purchased The First National Bank of Deport.

The Prairiland Lady Patriots had an incredible volleyball season, going all the way to state competition.

Here at the newspapers we have continued to try and keep all our readers aware of what goes on in their community...knowing that it is the little, everyday things that make up our lives instead of the world shaking events heard about in bigger publications.

Yes, 1992 went by in a hurry. As always there were joys, there were sorrows. From all of us we wish each and every one of you a HAPPY NEW YEAR in 1993.



FOOD!-City Drug Store in Deport put out the food last week as a Christmas present to their

customers. A full table full of goodies pleased people through-

out the day. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)



Comptroller Sends Tax Rebates

State Comptroller John Sharp sent a total of \$105.8 million in December sales tax rebates to 918 cities and 109 counties, an 18.1 percent increase over the payments of one year ago.

Another \$146.6 million in quarterly payments went to six mass transit authorities in the state's largest cities and the two city transit departments.

Texas cities received \$94.6 million in sales tax payments, up 17.9 percent from the \$80.2 million they received last December. Counties received \$11.2 million, a 20.3 percent increase over the December 1991 rebates of \$9.3 million.

In Lamar County, Blossom did not receive a check compared to last year's \$864.42. 1992 payments to date are \$22,459.65, an increase over 1991's \$22,397.39. Deport received \$650.67 this period, an increase over the \$505.58 amount last year. 1992 payments to date are \$14,830.88, an increase over 1991's \$13,326.94. Paris received \$190,515.15, an increase over the \$152,235.41 amount last year. 1992 payments to date are \$2,503,907.86, a decrease from 1991's \$2,507,078.13.

In Red River County, Bogata received \$1,893.41, an increase over

the \$907.01 amount last year. 1992 payments to date are \$30,099.15, a decrease from 1991's \$31,442.77. Clarksville received \$14,704.19, an increase over the \$12,313.71 amount last year. 1992 payments to date are \$214,687.71, an increase over 1991's \$212,710.46. Detroit did not receive a check this period. 1992's payments to date are \$9,137.85, a decrease from 1991's \$9,486.61.

In Titus County, Talco received a check for \$1,253.31, an increase over last year's \$846.38. 1992 payments to date are \$17,141.31, a decrease from 1991's \$20,210.36.



BABY NEW YEAR! 1993 read the banner across this "baby New Year" as the old year is

seen out and a new one welcomed in. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)

Housing Authority Holds Open House Saturday

Saturday, December 19, 1992 an Open House was held at the newly remodeled facilities of the Office and Community Room (Gazebo) at the Deport Housing Authority.

Bad weather held the crowds down; however refreshments and good cheer were shared by the following that attended: Mary Barnard, Edna Earle Gifford, Carrie Bennett, Mary Westbrook, Maud Webb, Mavis Sowards, Alpha Barnard, Christina Murphy, Nancy Murphy, Ruth Ch-

atham, Juanita Sparks, Billie Foster, T.H. Glover, M.D., Betty Jackson, Corene Taylor, Thelma Shelby, Frances Franklin, Eunice Erwin, Alma Scaff, Purna Haydock, Mac Storm, Mildred Wright, Ina Sparks, Nina Sparks, Virginia Kirkland, Reba Temple, Martha Glover, Thomas Nichols, C.B. Glover, Mauna Kidd, Elnora Ratliff, Dot Stephens, Phyllis Gifford, Kenneth Gifford, Tara Gifford, Melba Ladd, Pat Farmer and John Farmer.

Bingo To Begin At Deport American Legion Again

The Deport American Legion announces that they will begin having Bingo again.

Bingo will begin at 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday night at the Legion Hall at the north end of Deport.

There will be Early Bird Bingo and Regular Bingo.

Softdrinks and snacks are available.

They invite everyone to come out for an evening of fun, in a comfortable, friendly atmosphere.

All proceeds go to benefit the post charities.



Lamar County will swear in new and re-elected county government officials on Friday, January 1, at 10:00 a.m. in the County Courtroom.

Broadway Junction Band will play on New Year's Eve at the Pattonville Community Center beginning at 8 p.m. Admission is \$2.00. There will be a breakfast served at 11:30 p.m. for \$1.50.

Monday January 4, there will be a quarterly fire meeting in Paris. All members are urged to attend.

Child Wants Business Cards

A letter has been received requesting a business card or cards to be sent to Craig Shergold at the address listed below. The seven year old has a tumor and very little time to live.

Craig turned in a wish to the Make-A-Wish Foundation and expressed his desire to have an entry in the Guinness Book of World Records for the largest number of business cards ever received by an individual. Please send one of your business cards to Craig if you wish at Craig Shergold, Make-A-Wish Foundation, 3200 Perimeter Center East, Atlanta, GA 30346.

The Pattonville Community Center and Volunteer Fire Department will have its monthly meeting at 7:00 p.m. Monday, December 28. A covered dish supper will be served at 6:30.



Paper Sale Ends Dec. 31st

Time is running out. On December 31st the papers will go back to their regular price...so renew now and save that \$2!

WELCOME-Branch President Virgil Jones serves a customer at Guaranty Bank-Deport with punch as part of their Christmas Open House last week. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)

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Fulbright News

By Betty Rodgers

Wood Armstrong of Bogata visited Travis and Jimmy King recently.

Betty Rodgers, Melissa and Gilbert Arriaga went to Marshall Wednesday night to see the tour of Christmas lights and on the way stopped in Jefferson for their scenic route.

Barbara Fisher and Reba Dees attended the funeral of their aunt in Bogata and came by here on their way home.

Visitors of Ruby Chandler and James Latimer were Jan and Robert Lewis and daughter Leah Bull, Vandy and Elaine Morgan and children, Bessie Mae Sulsar, Larry Parker, Alice Jean Garner and Faye Gandy.

Sonny and Carla Roberts of Orange visited Betty Rodgers Saturday. Harvey Bo King of Kansas City, KS visited his parents, Travis and Jimmie King Tuesday.

Mrs. Ethel Epps, Charles and Rhea Epps and Dana had Christmas supper with Mr. and Mrs. Harold Epps and family in Mt. Vernon at their home on Christmas Eve.

Robert Williams and children of Detroit visited Mr. and Mrs. Travis King Thursday.

Monte and Shelly Rodgers, Gilbert and Melissa Arriaga had Christmas dinner with Betty Rodgers and exchanged gifts.

Mrs. Johnnie Looney is still in McCuiston Medical Center with pneumonia.

Mrs. Audrey Baker is back in Deport Nursing Home very ill after having had a stroke.

Mrs. Roberta Anderson of Bogata visited Mrs. Ethel Epps Christmas

day.

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Clovis VanDeaver and Hurley Stevens during the holidays were their children, Mr. and Mrs. Garon Salter of Brady, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Harrison and Shanna of Kennard, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Pirtle, Kim and Michael of Paris and Mr. and Mrs. John Denison of Dru of Rosalie.

Kerry, Carla and Jeremy King of Decatur were visitors of Travis and Jimmy King on Christmas Eve. Those having dinner were Duane and Bobby King, Kay Osburn, Dick, Jayne, Jeff and NeLeigh King, all of Paris, Kyle, Krutchie, Nicole, Shelly and Travis King of Paris, Asa, Kristi, Jordan and Kellem Chambliss of Decatur, Kala King and Bo Saramich of Corpus Christi, Randy, Janice, Rebecca and Katie of Midlothian.

Mr. and Mrs. Clovis VanDeaver, Mr. and Mrs. Garon Salter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Harrison and family, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Pirtle and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Denison and son had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Charles VanDeaver in Clarksville Saturday night.

Rhea and Dana and Rhea's niece had lunch with Mrs. Ethel Epps Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clovis VanDeaver attended the funeral of his cousin, Marion Hudson, Saturday night.

Betty Rodgers, Sonny and Carla Rodgers, Melissa and Gilbert Arriaga, Monte and Shelly Rodgers all went to Paris and bowled Saturday night.

Mrs. Ethel Hill spent Christmas in Hooks with relatives.

Country Cooking

By Judy Screws



Donald likes the hog jowl boiled in his blackeyed peas. Daddy likes his jowl sliced thin and fried to go with his peas. My daughter-in-law cooks her dried blackeyed peas with ham hock in them. I don't know whether dried blackeyed peas and hog jowl bring god luck for the New Year or not, but I've never had the nerve to not have them.

I guess you all have your New Year's Resolutions all listed and ready to start on January 1. I went through the usual list, the one I usually plan to begin on New Year's Day. You may find something familiar on it, lose weight, exercise, save money, be more thoughtful, etc. This list is very depressing to me. I realized that I didn't feel enthusiastic when I thought about it. I didn't feel the urge to rush right out and buy books to keep up with my new budget. I didn't immediately begin eating so that when the first gets here I can stop. I didn't take a nap to rest up for when I start exercising so strenuously. Instead, I've decided on a new strategy. I've lived half a century, and I've never finished anything. I can sing a little. I can play the piano just a little bit. I can sew some. I can crochet just a dab. I cook fairly well, I have a cake

decorating kit, a scroll saw, a two year old, unused, sewing machine and a nice typewriter that I struggle to type my column in each week. I have learned all about proper nutrition and exercise. I have been a bookkeeper for more than a few businesses. I keep most of my records in a box in the corner. My ledgers and spread sheets never feel the touch of a pencil. There are beautiful designs for everything from sweatshirts to furniture in my head, and instructions for most of them are at my disposal. Not only do I not finish them, I don't start them. So I have decided that regardless of how small or how large the task or project before me, I will start it if possible, and I'll give it everything I have to finish. Another plan I have is to visit friends and relatives in the nursing homes. I'm always in such a hurry that I tend to forget the people who would appreciate a few minutes of my time the most.

However you manage your resolutions, or if you are among the well-disciplined folks who can just continue as you are, I wish you the best New Year possible. I hope there will be good health, prosperity, and lots of smiles in every one of your days.

December 31, 1992

Old Timey Fudge

- 2 cups sugar
- 3 tablespoons cocoa
- 1 stick margarine
- 1/2 cup milk
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 1/2 cup chopped nuts

Mix all ingredients, except nuts, in saucepan, or large skillet. Bring to a full rolling boil, stirring constantly. Boil for 3 1/2 minutes. Take off heat and stir until it thickens. Add nuts and cool on buttered plate.

Fruit Salad

- 4 bananas
 - 3 oranges
 - 1 apple
 - 1/2 cup chopped nuts
 - 1/2 pint whipping cream
 - 1 cup sugar
 - 1 tablespoon vanilla
- Cut up peeled fruit in bite sized pieces. Add nuts and 1/2 cup of sugar. Beat whipping cream, vanilla and 1/2 cup sugar until thickened (not to thick). Pour over fruit mixture, stir and cool a while before serving.

Quick Soup

- 1 can tomatoes
- 1 can cream style corn
- 1 can chicken noodle soup
- 1 can cut up potatoes
- or 3 fresh potatoes cubed and boiled
- 1/3 cup sugar
- 1 tsp. salt
- 1 tablespoon chili powder

Card of Thanks

We wish to thank you for your kind expressions of sympathy, for the food and flowers during the death of our daughter and mother, Patricia Alexander.

Rosina Martin
Debbie and Steve Crawford
John Holcomb

- 1/2 tsp. black pepper
- 1/3 cup picante sauce
- 1 tablespoon Lipion onion soup mix or 1/2 onion, sauteed
- Z Mix all ingredients. Boil and re-season to taste. Serve with combread muffins.

Easy Enchiladas

- Brown:
- 1 1/2 lb. ground meat with 1 chopped onion or 1 tablespoon onion soup mix.

Add: 4 slices of cheese broken into small pieces and salt to taste. Tightly Roll Mixture In: 1 dozen corn tortillas which have been dipped in hot oil and drained.

Arrange: Rolled enchiladas in baking dish sprayed with Pam or lightly greased.

Pour: A large can of chili which has been boiled with 1/2 can of water on top of enchiladas. Place a thin slice of cheese on top of each enchilada. Bake in 400 oven for 30 minutes or until bubbly and lightly browned. Serve hot.

Cream Cheese Mints

- 1-3 oz. cream cheese (room temp) coloring and flavoring as desired
 - 2 1/2 cups confectioners sugar granulated sugar
- Blend cream cheese until softened. Add color and flavor. Gradually blend in confectioners sugar until of pie dough consistency. Pinch off small piece of dough and roll into small sized ball. Coat with granulated sugar. Press into candy mold.

Card of Thanks

Our sincere thanks and appreciation to everyone for the prayers, visits, food, flowers, calls, cards and other expressions of kindness and sympathy shown us during the loss of our loved one, Elzie Denny.

A special thanks to Dr. E. E. Brooks and the employees of the Red River Haven Nursing Home.
The Family of Elzie Denny

Chapman Moves to New Office in Rayburn Building

U.S. Rep. Jim Chapman (D-Sulphur Springs) recently announced that he has moved his Washington office from the Cannon House Office Building to the Rayburn House Office Building.

"As a Texas, I feel more at home in a building named after Speaker Sam Rayburn," Chapman said.

"While my Rayburn Office is more convenient in many respects, there is still no view of Washington or the Capitol," Chapman joked. "The good news is that in seven years, I have moved from the basement of one building, to an office with a window,

and now to an office where I can at least see the sky."

Congressman Jim Chapman's new address is:

Rev. Jim Chapman
2417 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D. C. 20515

Congressman Chapman's phone number will remain: (202) 225-3035. His fax number will also remain: (202) 225-7265.

All press inquirers' and constituents' calls and letters should be directed to his new office.

Obituaries

Essie Serena Watkins Dies December 23

Essie Serena Watkins, 85, of Cherry Street Maor, formerly of Fulbright, died Wednesday, December 23 at the nursing home.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Thursday, December 24 at Grant Funeral Home with burial in Highland Cemetery.

Mrs. Watkins was born February 21, 1907 in Fulbright, a daughter of Sam Washington and Alice Eliza Hightnight Osbourn. She married Sam Watkins on August 15, 1929 in Hugo, OK. He died April 6, 1962.

Survivors include one son, Sammy Ray Watkins of Paris; one daughter, Eva Louise Osbourn of Paris; two grandchildren and four great-grandchildren; four sisters, Verda Harkey of Yucaipa, CA; Nannie Watkins and Doris Arnold, both of Paris; Helen Armstrong of Bogata.

Bearers included Johnny Applegate, Roger Daugherty, Dannie Nelius, Malcolm Osborne, Shannon Osborne and Charles Pickering.

Aubrey (Jack) Williams Dies December 24

Aubrey (Jack) Jackson Williams, age 68 of Rosalie, died suddenly Thursday, December 24 at Red River General Hospital in Clarksville.

Funeral services were held Monday at 2 p.m. in the First Assembly of God Church in Bogata with the Rev. Mark Jones officiating.

Burial was in Rosalie Cemetery by Bogata Funeral Home.

Mr. Williams was born July 31, 1924 in Idabel, OK, the son of Walter Monroe and Annie Mae Perkins Williams. He was a veteran of U.S. Army during World War II and was a retired roofer.

He is survived by his wife, Jo Ann Williams of Rosalie; five sons, Billy Earl Williams of Dallas, Edward Williams of Quinlan, Richard Lee Williams of Mabank, Tracey James Williams and Michael Wayne Williams, both of Bogata; one daughter, Mrs. Joyce Elaine Manley of Buffalo, KS; two brothers, Willie Monroe Williams of Pennsylvania and James C. Williams of Nash; three sisters, Dessie Mae McElwee of Nash, Imogene Revele of Magnolia, AR and Faye Grant of Millville, NJ; 17 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

John Robert Sawyer Dies December 22

John Robert Sawyer, 79, of Beaumont died Tuesday, December 22 in St. Joseph's Hospital and Health Center in Paris.

Graveside services were held at 11 a.m. Saturday, December 26 at the Forest Lawn Cemetery in Beaumont under the direction of Grant Funeral Home.

Mr. Sawyer was born December 22, 1912 in Beaumont, a son of Daniel and Beulah Bell Rhoades Sawyer. He married the former Elizabeth Underwood on December 10, 1941 in Beaumont. He worked as an electrician for Bethlehem Steel for 33 years, retiring in 1976. He was a Mason, deacon and member of the former Magnolia Baptist Church in Beaumont.

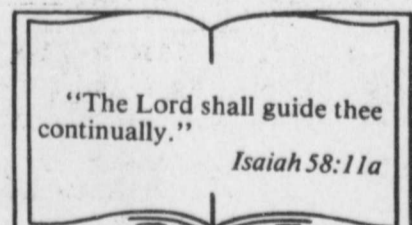
Survivors include his wife; one son, Richard Sawyer of Hastings, Nebraska; one daughter, Patrice Mitchell of Deport; one brother, Earl Sawyer of Beaumont; one sister, Leatrice Casey of Woodville; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Card of Thanks

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our friends and neighbors for the cards, food, flowers, calls, visits and many other kindnesses during our time of sadness and loss.

We especially want to thank the staff at Red River Haven and Dr. E. E. Brooks.

The Family of Alice Brown



"The Lord shall guide thee continually."
Isaiah 58:11a

John A. Howell Dies In Marietta, GA

John Allen Howell, an ironworker, died Wednesday in Marietta, GA. He was 56.

Graveside services were held Monday in Bluebonnet Hills Memorial Park in Colleyville with Lucas Funeral Home of Hurst in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Howell was born in Cunningham and had lived in the Tarrant County area since the 1950's.

He was a member of Iron Worker's Local 263.

Survivors include three daughters: Nancy Gann, Carol Jones and Barbara Holmes, all of North Carolina; a brother, Doyle Howell of Pacific, MO; three sisters, Katherine Quicksall of Coppell, Martha White of Houston and Neva Byrd of Bedford; and three grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Silas Howell and Clara Howell and a sister, Clarine Stout.

Clara Randle Dies December 26

Clara Randle, age 88, died December 26 in Physicians Nursing Home in Mt. Pleasant.

She was born July 6, 1904 in Delta County and was a resident of Talco.

Services were held at Bates-Coper-Weems Funeral Home in Mt. Pleasant Monday, December 28 at 2 P.M. James Bell officiated. Burial was in Talco Cemetery.

Survivors include three daughters, Francis Robertson, Lucille Buchanan and Tommie Young, all of Mt. Pleasant; seven grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and one great-grandchild; two sisters, Faye Williams of Ft. Worth and Lillie Neal of Cooper. She was preceded in death by her husband, Thomas L. Randle

Dorothy Morgan Dies December 21

Dorothy Morgan of Talco, age 68, died December 21 in Mother Frances Hospital in Tyler.

She was born November 21, 1924 in Fayetteville, AR a daughter of John Spillers and Pearl Johnson.

Services were Wednesday, December 23 at 1 p.m. with graveside rites at Friendship Cemetery. Interment was in Friendship Cemetery.

She is survived by her husband, W.O. Morgan; sons Billy Morgan of Talco and Jack Hanks of Dallas; a brother, Jim Spillers of Fayetteville, AR; 10 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild. She was preceded in death by three brothers.

Joe Edward Temple Dies December 11

Joe Edward Temple, 96, died Friday, December 11 in a Seminole, OK hospital. Services were held Wednesday, December 16 at Swearingen Funeral Home Chapel in Seminole with burial at Maple Grove Cemetery.

He was born March 7, 1896 in Cunningham to Josiah Hurley and Sarah Rebecca Houghton Temple, long-time residents of Cunningham and Deport. He taught school many years at the Old Town School in Cunningham and was a member of the Methodist Church and of the Masonic Lodge No. 476 in Seminole.

He married Stella Mae Hardin in Minter on December 20, 1916. She died May 27, 1987. They lived in the area until 1926 when they moved to Seminole. He was retired from Sinclair Oil Company's plant #13 where was a boiler operator.

He is survived by a daughter and son-in-law, Edna Earl and Paul Vance of Seminole; two grandchildren; four great-grandchildren and one great-great-granddaughter; several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by three sisters and four brothers, Lucy Temple Bell, Viola Temple Bell, Vera Temple Jeffus, John W. Temple, Maxie L. Temple, Ira W. Temple and Leslie F. Temple.

Attending the funeral from this area were Bobby Temple Slusher of Cunningham, Larry Bell of Paris and Sharon Temple Hatcher of Paris. Attending from Edmond, OK was great-niece, Carol Temple Griffin.

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Her obituary only listed two children when it was read at her funeral last week yet this lady was a parent to hundred and hundreds of kids through the years. Anyone and every one turned over their children to her on Friday nights, Saturday mornings and Saturday nights. You see, she would make them mind, she would love them when they were good, discipline them (in a loving way) when they misbehaved and as a parent you knew they were being looked after for a couple of hours. We parents have heard her say, get ready for the Hokey-Pokey, on this is going to be ladies choice, or everyone get under a number, we are going to have a drawing for a free coke and candy bar or one free pass to a skating session. We have seen her bake cookies all day around the New Years so the kids could skate the old year out and the New Year in. School classes from Mt. Pleasant, Paris, Mt. Vernon, Clarksville as well as Bogata and Talco booked her rink months in advance for that year end party. There has been many a boyfriend girlfriend relationship develop going around on skates with the lights turned down low and the music softly in the background. Elzie, we will miss you but we will never forget what great weekend parents you and Cowboy were to our children.

James and Dee Wood

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Deport Nursing Home News

By Joni Kincaid

The Kiwanis Club of Paris an Santa made an appearance at Deport Nursing Home Wednesday.

Roy Welch, along with several other members were here to help Santa pass out presents to all our residents. We appreciate the time these gentlemen have donated to us and look forward to seeing them again soon.

The annual resident party was held on Thursday, December 24. Refreshments were served and gifts given to everyone. Frankie Archibald played the piano while we all sang Christmas Carols.

Carlos Ladd and Bocky Norman visited Elizabeth Barnett this week.

Vada Mae Hoover, Nelda Allen, Paula Gunn, Casey Mitchell, Cathy Pauagaua, Leslie Alvin, Howard Hignon, Grace Finley and Venron Allen were visitors of Mrs. Grace McHam.

Mrs. Carolyn Olson and Karen Mitchum, Johnny and Alisha of Houston, Mr. and Mrs. E.L. Goforth of Paris, Mrs. Maxine Foster, Mrs. James Mazy and Mr. and Mrs. James Day of Pattonville visited Mrs. Miriam Shannon over the holidays.

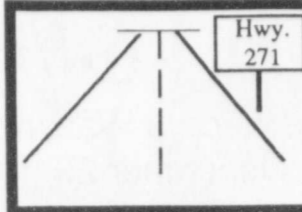
Mr. and Mrs. Tony Ballard, Lance and Kasha of Colorado Springs, Kim Allen of Ganado, Mrs. Ruby Dougless of Shawnee, OK, Mr. and Mrs. Buck Slaton of Halesboro, Shyan Roberts of Tyler, Susan Roach of Milton, Ruby D. Blevins and Barbara McDowra of Pattonville, Cokie Roach, John, Zackary, Dustin and Hollie Allen of Deport, Mike and Hallie Screws of Deport and Neva Jean Oats and her little group from Cunningham were all holiday visitors of Johnnie Warren.

Bob Carrell Jr. escorted his mother to his home in Ft. Worth for the holidays. While there she was visited by her nieces, Alta and Zel Gable.

Eddie and Pat Clements, Cecil Allen, Maxine Foster, Billie Mac Foster and Grace Finley visited Mrs. Lillian Gamble.

Ruth Campbell of Detroit, David Glover of Dallas and Marilyn Glover of Deport visited Doris Norwood, Brodie and John Bell, Mrs. Norwood and Miss Brodie Bell were escorted to the home of Duane and Martha Glover for Christmas dinner.

Pat Talley, Mary Johnson, Burrell Kincaid and Lorene Kilgore visited Lillie Mae and Betty Gardner.



Pattonville News

By Missy Merritt
Call Missy at 652-3709 or
The Deport Times at 652-4205

Mrs. Elmer Sparks was honored on her 80th birthday with a Christmas dinner and party on Saturday at the home of Keith and Peggy Parsons. Others attending were Bobby, Judy, Rusty and Ronnie Ellington, Teresa Davis and Wes Winters of Huntsville, Doug, Tonya, Tiffany and Cotton Winters of Bryan, Kip Winters and Danielle of Frisco, Greg Parsons and Connie Copeland of Irving, Mark, Tonya and Haley Parsons of Rowlett, Wilma Bolton, Ralph and Lois Kennett of Cooper, Gertha Player of Paris, Elmer, Ina and Nina Sparks of Deport, Bob and Betty Winters of Clardy, Eloise and Mike Sparks, Randy, Kristi, Drew and Leah Boren. She received birthday calls from her sister, Ruby Shreve of Las Vegas, and her brothers, Garland and Robert Barnard of Port Neches and Houston.

Keith and Peggy Parsons, Randy, Kristi, Drew and Leah Boren, Greg Parsons and Connie Copeland, Mark, Tonya and Haley Parsons visited Leon and Elaine Roberts at Sanders Cove on Christmas day and other members of the Parson's family.

Randy, Kristi, Drew and Leah Boren attended the Boren family Christmas Eve party at Dee and Betty Boren's in Paris.

Recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Perry Wilson were Johnny and Margaret McLemore of Plano, Rachel and Blair Casey of Carrollton, Patricia, Amber, Amanda and Alyssa Brannon of Plano, Paul and Jennifer Temple of Louisville, GA, John and Wyonna Tmple of Paris, Calvin and Judy Day, Tommie and Kimberly

Gibson and Dalias Dickson of Paris. Visiting Don and Peggy Gentry for the weekend were Jackie, Betty, Jesse, Latrice and Ashley Thomas of Abilene.

Wille, Donna, Michael and David Crossland and Mary Ann, Kent and Brandon Wright had Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Buster Crossland.

Mr. and Mrs. Barney Wilson attended a Christmas Eve dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Slayden.

Visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Barney Wilson on Christmas day were Martha Porterfield of Paris, Betty Slayden and Summer, Mr. and Mrs. Dustin Blount and Chase and Tamara Porterfield of Galveston.

James and Joyce Merritt spent Christmas in Rowlett with Edwina and Vickie Songer and other Songer family members.

Margaret Fowler ate lunch with Melanie, Meghan and Michael Moore of Clarksville Tuesday.

Lucy Fowler of Cunningham, Rickey and Melanie Moore of Clarksville had dinner on Christmas with T.J. and Margaret Fowler.

Mr. and Mrs. Buster Crossland visited Ruby Ray of Blossom on Monday.

Margaret Fowler and Dorothy Richey visited Grace McHam at the Deport Nursing Home Monday afternoon.

Jerry and Dorothy Richey hosted a Christmas Eve supper Thursday night. Attending were Margaret and T.J. Fowler, Rickey, Melanie, Meghan and Michael Moore, Mike

and Elois Sparks and Kent and Susan Richey.

Jon, Barbara and Darren Young and Marise Fontenot had dinner on Christmas day with Mike, Missy and Jake Merritt.

Sherry Hughes of Houston visited Missy Merritt on Saturday.

Doug and Melissa Phillips visited Mike and Missy Merritt on Saturday evening.

Bob Day of Shady Grove cooked Christmas dinner for his brothers, Jerry Day of Pottsboro and Hammond Day of Parker, also his sister-in-law, Mary of Pottsboro and Helen of Powderly. Jerry and Mary Day visited Calvin, Judy and family on Christmas. Jerry and Mary visited Mrs. Julia Wadley in Deport Nursing Home. Jerry visited Mrs. Anna Mazy in the nursing home as it had been over 35 years since they had seen each other. Jerry visited Terry McDowra and his friend while he was at the nursing home. Jerry has recently received an award from the Echosphere Corporation for being the number one satellite dealer in north Texas and southern Oklahoma. The award is based on total sales and fewer service complaints.

Visiting Mrs. Nettie Chappell Christmas afternoon were Mr. and

Mrs. Maurice Chappell and Shannon of Leewood, KS, Mr. and Mrs. John S. Chappell of Spain, who were enroute to visit Mr. and Mrs. W.B. Morgan of Tawakoni. Mrs. Chappell and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hoover visited her sister, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Fletcher of Paris Christmas day.

Francis Anderson visited Grady and Carol Reid during the holidays, also visiting Jessie and Francis Anderson were Lela Bullington of Tyler, Helen Northam and Lucille Nash of Paris.

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Don Shovan
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
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Evening Service 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.

BOGATA CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday Bible Class 9:45 a.m.
Worship 10:30 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.

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Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 5-7 p.m.

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Robert Bush
Worship Each Sunday 10 a.m.
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Evening Services 6:30 p.m.
Bible Study Wednesday

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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Church 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 5:30 p.m.

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Alvin Blalock
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Church 11 a.m.
Evening Service 5 p.m.

HARRIS CHAPEL CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY

Wesley Vandever
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Sunday Church 11 a.m.
Evening Service 7:30 p.m.

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Bro. Brett Castle
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Choir Practice 5:30 p.m.
Evening Service 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study-R.A.'s 7 p.m.

TALCO FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.
BTS 6 p.m.
Evening Worship 6:45 p.m.
Wednesday Service 6:30 p.m.

BOGATA ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Sunday School 10 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m.

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Rev. Rocky Stephenson
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship 5 p.m.
Wednesday 7 p.m.

BOGATA FREE HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Elvis McGraw
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Gospel Message 11:00 a.m.
Bible Study Wednesday 7:30 p.m.

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Morning Worship 11 a.m.
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Wednesday Services 7 p.m.

TALCO BETHEL CHURCH OF GOD

Bishop D.L. Smith

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Bro. Dub Mowery
Sunday Bible Class 9:45 a.m.
Worship 10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Class 7 p.m.

TALCO ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Tim Jones
Call to Worship 9:45 a.m.
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.
Extra Curricular Services 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.

DEPORT FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Tim Brown
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Church 11 a.m.
Evening Worship 7 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.

DEPORT FAITH BAPTIST CHURCH

Jerry Moore
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Training Union 6 p.m.
Worship 6 p.m.
Wednesday Worship and R.A. 7 p.m.

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Chief Warden
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Mornign Worship 11 a.m.

DEPORT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rev. Tom Foley
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday School 10 a.m.

DEPORT CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Sunday Bible School 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.

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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Church 11 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.

JOHNTOWN MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

Billy Daniels
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Baptist Training Course 6 p.m.
Evening Worship 6:45 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.

PATTONVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH

Mel Murphy
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.

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Sunday School 10 a.m.
Church 11 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.

BLOSSOM FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Burgie Thompson
Sunday Bible Study 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service 11 a.m.
Church Training 6 p.m.
Evening Worship 7 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer Service 7 p.m.

EAST POST OAK MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

E.R. Reynolds
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Worship Service 11 a.m.
Training Service 6 p.m.
Worship Service 7 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m.

BLOSSOM CHURCH OF CHRIST

Steven Keen
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.

BLOSSOM CHURCH OF GOD

Rev. Larry Bridges

BLOSSOM FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. Don Covington
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Church 11 a.m.
Evening Service 6:30 p.m.
Youth Service at 5 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.
Adult Choir 8 p.m.
Elementary Choir 6 p.m. - Toddler Choir 7 p.m.

BLOSSOM CHURCH OF NAZARENE

David Stevens
Sunday School 10 a.m.
Worship Service 11 a.m.
Evening Service 6 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7 p.m.

BLOSSOM FELLOWSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH

Ron Byers
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.
Training Union 6 p.m.
Evening Worship 7 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer Meeting 7:30 p.m.

FULBRIGHT CHURCH OF CHRIST

Randy Miller
Sunday Bible Study 10 a.m.
Wednesday Service 6:30 p.m.

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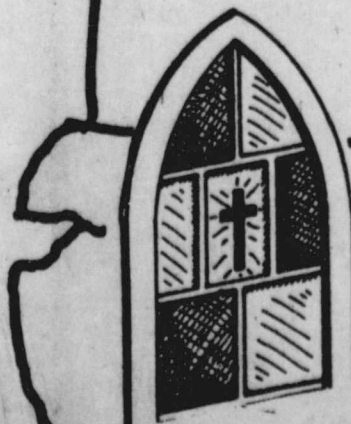
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Cunningham News

By Berniece Wyatt

Friends were sorry to learn of the death of Larry Smith of Grand Saline on December 22. He attended Cunningham School and his father, Jewel Smith was a bus driver for Cunningham School for several years. Sympathy is extended to the family.

Mr. and Mrs. Almer Norwood, Mr. and Mrs. Odie Watson, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Ray Oats, Brandon and Georjeana, Mr. and Mrs. Frankie Norwood, Logan and Laton and Mr. and Mrs. Scotty Norwood, Spur and Amber enjoyed a progressive pre-Christmas supper Tuesday night beginning at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Scotty Norwood for the first course, then moving to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frankie Norwood for the second course, then to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Billy R. Oats for the main meal and finally to Geneva Norwoods for dessert.

Ruby Dougless of Shawnee, OK spent the Christmas holidays with Berniece Wyatt.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean Watson, Jarvis, Bruce, Deana Gibson and Dillon and Mr. and Mrs. Brad Watson and family had supper Tuesday with Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Polk of Paris.

Mr. and Mrs. Almer Norwood celebrated their 64th anniversary Thursday and had their Christmas supper at the Life Tabernacle Fellowship Hall. In attendance were Mr. and Mrs. Conard Norwood of Katy, Mr. and Mrs. John Morey and Keltie of Clarksville, Mr. and Mrs. Wyman and Teri Creamer, Tyler and Cameron of Paris, Charles and Cindy Nichols of Deport, Darold and Ida Mae Norwood of Paris, Shelia Norwood of Denton, Delphia Walker of Reno, Geneva Norwood, Billy Ray and Neva Jean Oats, Brandon and Georjeana, Frankie and Julie Norwood, Logan and Laton, Scottie and Treda Norwood, Amber and Spur, James and Patsy Norwood, Mr. and Mrs. George Richardson of Paris and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Bankhead had supper with Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Almer Bankhead, Kristi and Chance.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Burchinal and Tanna of Houston and Mr. and Mrs. George Lutch of North Richland Hills visited Riley and Mabel Lynn during the holidays.

Everyone is invited to come to the Life Tabernacle Church on New Year's Eve to help sing and see the old year out and the New Year in.

Phillip, Raycine and Tanna Burchinal of Houston, Ruby Dougless of Shawnee, OK and Riley Lynn of Deport, Eddie and Sue Sheppard, Tina, Lorrie and Tammy, Michael Harrington, Bill and Ruth Chipman, Shirley Lawrence and Berniece Wyatt had lunch with Chris and Tracie Chipman and Riley on Christmas day. Melissa Chipman of Paris and Sydney Chipman of Garland visited in the afternoon.

William Malone visited his mother, Mrs. Delphia Malone Sunday.

Tammy Dorrell of Placerville, CA, Brit and Anaya Phillips, Lindy Jo and Bonnie Sue of Lone Star, Ricky and Kaye Cooper, Ryan and Khimen K'Lene of Clardy and Jennifer Dorrell, Deruyl Cooper had Christmas Eve supper with William and Jo Delle Cooper.

Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Taylor had supper with Mr. and Mrs. Fern Rees of Pattonville.

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Taylor and Laura of Tulsa, OK and Elvis Wright of Minter had Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Silas Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Davis and Jeff of Omaha spent Thursday through Tuesday with Mrs. Delphia Malone.

Les and Paula Taylor, Justina and Jennifer of Pattonville had Sunday lunch with Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Taylor.

Ruby Dougless of Shawnee, OK visited Mr. and Mrs. Joe B. Williams Friday afternoon.

Billie Smith of Paris spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Johnie Musgrove and Zarinska.

Steve and Carolyn Ladd, Craig and Shelley of Pattonville, T.L. and Carol Ladd, Swede and Britney of Paris, Tuttle Jordan of Powderly, Taylor Ladd, Quentin Baker, Bobby and Shelby Kennedy, Jeff and Cindy Kennedy, Zack and Garrett, Heath and Missy Kennedy, Jim and Lisa Thompson, Johnny and Jayme Syrus, Jennifer and Landon and Scooter Bills had Christmas Eve dinner with Melba Baker and Jason.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Ray Oats, Brandon and Georjeana with Lessie Stuart had Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Billy Joe Oats.

Mr. and Mrs. Murray Jackson spent Sunday with Mrs. Flora Belle Jackson of Avery.

Kathy Williams of Austin visited Mr. and Mrs. Joe B. Williams, Christmas.

Milow Hume and Stasha had Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Bart McDowell of Paris.

Mr. and Mrs. Erick Talman, Lisa and Shelly of Davis spent Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Clovis Morrison of Caviness.

Mr. and Mrs. William Cooper visited Neva Whitlow of Paris, Mr. and Mrs. Britt Phillips and family of Lone Star and Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Cooper and family of Clardy on Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Taylor, Bob and Glenna Baugh of Pattonville and Mr. and Mrs. Chris Clinton of Dallas had pre-Christmas dinner with Jackie Clinton of Paris.

Johnny Musgrove, Stacy and Linda Musgrove, Stoney and Charity and Zarinska visited Virginia Jesse of Paris on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rinehart of Lubbock visited Loretta Pynes Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Davis and Jeff of Omaha, Mr. and Mrs. Danny Malone, Josh and Dustin of Lamar Point, Nita Melvin, Jennifer and Stephen of Paris, Lawrence and Rita Malone, Bunkin Malone, Katherine Sugg and Cathy spent Christmas Eve with Mrs. Delphia Malone.

Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Taylor had lunch with Leslie and Paula Taylor, Justin and Jennifer of Pattonville on Friday.

Chris Cannon of Daytona, Florida,

Linda Cannon and Tenia Cannon of Dallas, Nita Jaco, Stephanie, Paula and Michelle of Paris, Fannie Belle Edwards of Magnolia, Louise Black of Paris, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Mock and Bob Mock of Dallas and Dorothy Holland of Taylortown visited Mrs. Delsa Wilson during the holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl B. Guthrie, Ollie Ruth Guthrie and Matt Guthrie of Talco had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Norman Sain Thursday.

Geneva Norwood, a recent missionary to the Ukraine, received a letter from Angelica saying their church had grown four times in number since the crusade in August.

Milow Hume received word that his sister, Nonie Mitchell of Frankfort, KY had suffered a stroke and is seriously ill. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Ruby Dougless of Shawnee, OK visited Johnnie Warren in the Deport Nursing Home and Reecie Kelsey of Deport Sunday afternoon.

Rev. Josh Jones of Rockwall was the guest speaker at the Baptist Church Sunday services.

Mr. and Mrs. Murray Jackson, Jane O'Neal, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Palmer and family of Bogata, Mr. and Mrs. D.R. Burks and family of Paris, Mr. and Mrs. Bill H. Barber of Blossom had Christmas Eve dinner with Mrs. Annie Barber of Paris.

Mr. and Mrs. Dwayne Drinnon and family had Christmas with William Drinnon of Frogville, OK.

Sue Pynes of Roxton, Clifton Bazhaw, Mr. and Mrs. Jamie Bazhaw and family of Paris, Buddy Pynes of Blossom, Regina Newman and Blake of Dallas spent Thursday night with Loretta Pynes.

Lessie Stuart and Willie Wilson of Reno, Bobby Taylor, Pat LaRue, Amanda and Anthony and Andrea of Paris, Davene Smith of Whitesboro and Tommy Taylor of Allen and Billie Joe and Georgia Oats visited Mr. and Mrs. Silas Taylor Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Taylor spent two days visiting in Natchitoches, LA last week.

Buford Posey of Houston, Cindy Kuebeccka, Lesa and Michael of Houston spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Norman Sain.

Mr. and Mrs. James Winters and Ricky, Mr. and Mrs. Terry Legate, Kristi and Paula, Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie Parnell, Jeremy and Stephanie of Paris, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Winters, Tara, Jessica and John Michael of Pattonville, Bob and Betty Winters of Clardy, Mr. and Mrs. Doug Winters, Tiffany and Colton of Bryan, Kip Winters of Wylie, Wes Winters of Huntsville, James and Pat Norwood, Todd and Mendy Cole and Lacie, Rodney Norwood, Jase and Erika of Cunningham had Christmas supper at the Pattonville Baptist Church Fellowship Hall Saturday night.

Virginia Bell of Paris visited Mr. and Mrs. Norman Sain Saturday.

Erbert Hume of Paris, Nicky Hume of Powderly, Milow Hume and Stasha had lunch with Wanda Whitaker of Paris Sunday.

Sue Pynes of Roxton spent Friday with Loretta Pynes.

Mr. and Mrs. Almer Norwood, Tracy Norwood and Brenton, Rodney Norwood, Jase and Erika and Todd and Mendy Cole and Lacie had supper with Mr. and Mrs. James Norwood Wednesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Sain had

Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Larry Bell of Paris.

Mr. and Mrs. Fern Rees, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Sims, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Tubbs of Pattonville, Mr. and Mrs.

Leslie Taylor, Justin and Jennifer, Mr. and Mrs. Perry D. Ashford and Mr. and Mrs. Mike Ashford of Dallas, Mrs. Marsha Johnston, Corrie and Kasey, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dolby, Jay and Adam and Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Taylor had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Kelsoe of Napples Wednesday night.

Jane O'Neal had for Christmas dinner Mr. and Mrs. Murray Jackson, David and Jance of Paris, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Palmer and family of Bogata, Mr. and Mrs. Dwayne Drinnon and family, Mr. and Mrs. Pete McKnight, Alva Mae O'Neal of Paris, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Patterson and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas King and family, Danny King and Dakota, Mr. and Mrs. Haskell King and family of Paris, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Ford and family, Mr. and Mrs. Danny Kendall, Mr. and Mrs. Chad Cleere and Lillian King had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Oen and family of Rosalie Saturday.

Rev. and Mrs. Dwayne Stuart of Clardy, Brandi Hall of Pattonville, Michael Madewell of Blossom and Tommy King of Paris had supper with Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Musgrove and Zarinska Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Wayne Malone, Lisa and Jamie, Mr. and Mrs. L.D. Malone, DeeAnn and Julie of Vasco, Mr. and Mrs. Brad Phillips and Jacie of Vasco, Ruby Ailes, Carolyn Cochran, Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Crews, Kevin and Lynda Klingler and Lindsey, Mr. and Mrs. Barry Malone and Jacob, Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Malone, Frank Malone, Katherine Sugg and Cathy had Christmas dinner with Mrs. Delphia Malone.

Joyce Ford and Andrew Bazhaw of Gilmer visited Loretta Pynes. Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Pynes of Blossom hosted a Christmas party Saturday. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Kacey Enox of Blossom, Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Gifford, Fair Shae and Trae of Deport, Sue Pynes of Roxton, Dennis Pynes, Darwin Pynes and Justin of Paris, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stagle of Euleus and Loretta Pynes.

Mr. and Mrs. James Wood and Jamie, Debra Wood and Colton of Clardy had lunch with Cindy Anderson, Josh and Derek.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Gray of Pattonville, Cindy Anderson, Josh and Derek had Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. James Wood of Clardy.

Mr. and Mrs. DEan Watson, Jarvis, Bruce, Deana Gibson and Dillon, Geneva Norwood, Mr. and Mrs. Frankie Norwood and family, Mr. and Mrs. Scotty Norwood and family, Mr. and Mrs. Brad Watson and family and Mr. and Mrs. Billy Ray Oats and family and Michael Madewell

Rodney Norwood, Jase and Erika, Tracy Norwood and Brenton of Deport, Todd and Mendy Cole and Lacie, Ricky and Pam Norwood and Haley, Talma and Susie Norwood, Jay and Marsha Ingram of Cunningham, Danny and Sharon Norwood and Kenny of Paris.

Lucy Fowler and Johnnie Warren received word of the death of their nephew, John Howell, son of the late Silas and Tad Howell, former Cun-

ningham residents. He was living in Georgia and burial was made in Hurst. Sympathy is extended to the family.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Powers visited Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Skidmore of Paris, Christine Kelley of Reno and Mr. and Mrs. James Winters of Paris during the holidays.

Lucy Fowler and Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Moore of Clarksville were Christmas day dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Talma Fowler of Pattonville.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Isbell of Deport and Ruby Dougless of Shawnee, OK were visited at the Baptist Church Sunday night.

The Clyde Slusher family celebrated an early Christmas Saturday, December 19 with their children and grandchildren. Attending were Stephanie, Shane and Kasey McLaughlin of Burkburnett, Steve Slusher of Roanoke Rapids, NC and daughter, Keri Slusher of Arlington, Jackson and Janet Smith, Joshua, Lesa, Jonathan and A.J. of Montgomery, AL, Mrs. Jackie Slusher, Taylor, Timothy, Tori and Trey of Wichita Falls, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Taylor of Paris visited Saturday.

Stephanie, Shane and Kasey McLaughlin, Janet Smith, Steve and Keri Slusher visited their grandfather, Harry Slusher at Cherry Street Annex last week.

Josh Ward of Montgomery, AL is spending the school holiday vacation with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Slusher and the Malon Ward family of Kingston, OK.

Billie R. Pirtle of Bogata visited Mr. and Mrs. Russell Whitney Thursday evening. J.V. Ladd of Paris was an afternoon guest. Vivian Landrum of Sargent spent the holidays with the Russell and Johnny Whitneys. Other guests on Christmas day were Peggy Risinger, Chris, Staci and Jayci Whiteley and Kim Allen.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Bell and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Porterfield spent Christmas and the weekend with Daulty Bell.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitch Murphy and boys of Joshua and Mary Murphy of Canton spent the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Murphy.

Warren Denison had Christmas dinner with his sister, Dee Bonham.

DEPORT

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More Cunningham News

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Slusher visited Harry Slusher, Ida DeShong, Della Howe, Marvin Anderson and other residents at Cherry Street Annex. They visited their aunt, Virgie Temple at Cherry Street Manor as well as Wayne Crafton and other residents.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Slusher attended the Slusher family Christmas celebration Saturday, December 26 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Taylor of Paris. Others attending were Mr. and Mrs. J. Ford Taylor and Whitney of College Station, Mr. and Mrs. George Struve, Sarah and Kate

of Paris, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Taylor, Charles II and Grant of Paris, Mr. and Mrs. Bret Holbert and Colt of Paris, Mr. and Mrs. John Hall of Detroit and Harry Slusher of Cherry Street Annex.

Mrs. Maurine Womack of Reno hosted the Christmas Eve supper at her home for her sisters and their families. Attending were Linda and Bruce Drake of Granbury, Shelly Drake of Dallas, Stephen Drake, Dallas, Britanni Drake of Colorado, Kazan and Richard Lynch, Jamie Lynch, Raney Ann and John Lynch, all of Sanger, Tammy and David Lawrence,

Kenneth and Christy of Paris, Claudia and John Whitney of Deport, Bill, Belinda Darrell Lynn, Jaclyn Dickey of Sulphur Springs, Billy, Debbie, Tonya, Christian Lee, Courtney, Billy Wayne, Michael and Josh Curran of Lamar Point, Barbara and Charlie Smith of Paris, Gordon, Cindy and Ryan Smith of Carrollton, Teresa Stover of Melissa, Lana, Phillip and John Prichard of Paris, David, Shirley, Christy Norwood of Paris, Jennifer, Keith and Stephanie Terrell

of Paris. Gifts were exchanged and a good fellowship was had by all.

A luncheon was held at the home of Billy and Deborah Curran of Lamar Point on Christmas Eve. Attending were John and Claudia Whitney, Deport, Bill and Belinda, Darrell Lynn and Jaclyn Dickey of Sulphur Springs, and Courtney, Tonya, Christian Lee, Billy Wayne, Michael and Josh of the home. The day was spent making a watching home movies, exchanging gifts, enjoying all the good food and having a good time together. The day was completed with a phone call from Deborah's son, Shane, who is stationed in Australia with the U.S. Air Force. He was wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and said it was very hot over there, the temperature was around 110 degrees.

Mr. and Mrs. John B. Whitney, Deport, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Curran,

Tonya, Christian Lee, Courtney, Billy Wayne, Michael and Josh, Lamar Point, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Dickey, Darrell Lynn and Jaclyn of Sulphur Springs attended the Whitney Christ-



PRAIRILAND CHOIR sang Christmas Carols to Deport

Nursing Home residents last week, entertaining them and bringing a little Christmas Cheer. (Staff Photo)

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by Donna Rozell

Now that you have put away your Christmas decorations, cleaned the house you must not rest on your laurels, what are your plans for New Year's Eve? Are you going to put on your "best" and go "out"? Will your prince charming arrive and whisk you away (in his 4x4) to a wonderful evening? Will it be Rockies and rhinestones or gray lace and pearls? Will you look forward to it or worry you might have to avoid the ex-spouse? Will it be noisy or quiet; formal or informal; will the crowd be large or small; an intimate dinner or a buffet for two hundred? Maybe, you will stay home and listen to the revelry on the radio or watch the Times Square celebration on the t.v. Better yet, bring in the new year in your church. These are but a few of the ways I've spent the eve of a coming Year.

Once I spent the entire New Year's Eve at an airport, amongst strangers, waiting for someone who had missed their plane. All evening I watched people dressed in their finery coming and going and going and coming. I could only imagine where. A couple of funny things happened but you would have had to have been there. There was the time I went with a friend to an AA convention of 4500 people, not counting me. I spent one New Year's Eve in Africa at the American Club. There we were in the desert; temperature about 80 degrees trying desperately to simulate festivities remembered, the evening was not a success.

A couple of times I went to the PRCA Circuit Finals Rodeo with old rodeo buddies. That was fun. Once I went out with a couple who had a fight, forgot I was along and left without me. I had to catch a ride from Idabel, Oklahoma. Don't want to replay that one.

More times than not I've stayed home by myself. Truthfully, staying home doesn't bother me. I enjoy my own company, if others may not. There is a shortage of males in our family and single females tend to sift through the cracks so on occasion we have gotten together and had our own celebration; I think we played a game; it might have been Monopoly or Trivial Pursuit..... I'll ask someone whose memory is better than mine.

I don't know how I'll be spending my New Year's Eve but it will be an early evening since I must attend the swearing-in ceremony at the courthouse at 9 a.m. on the next morning, and I require a lot of sleep. (I have been assured that the older one gets the less sleep one needs, I've not found that to be the case which leads me to believe I may be forever young..How does that sound?)

Sooo..... what ever you decide to do and no matter how you spend this "eve" give it meaning and be happy. HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Robbery Is Crime of Week

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

On Saturday, October 17th, at 8:30 p.m., a white male robbed the Wag-A-Bag store at 1900 Clarksville St. in Paris. The suspect was armed with a knife and was wearing pantyhose over his face at the time of the robbery. The suspect is described to be a white male in his late teens or early twenties, and was wearing a tan jacket and tan pants. He stands approximately 5'11" tall and weighs around 130 pounds. The suspect was last seen going south from the store with an undetermined amount of cash.

If you have any information on this or any other felony crime, please call Crime Stoppers. If Crime Stoppers receives that information by January 4th, and an arrest and indictment is made of those persons responsible, Crim Stoppers will pay a cash reward of up to \$1000.00. All calls do remain anonymous and you will not have to testify in court. So let's all work together to fight crime! Call Crime Stoppers today at 785-TIPS! (785-8477)

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4-H Activities Planned

LOCK-IN
Who wants to stay up all night? On January 8 (and 9th), 4-H'ers from Lamar, Red River and Delta Counties will miss their sleep. A Leadership Lock-In will be held at Lamar Avenue Church of Christ from 10:00 p.m. - 6:00 a.m. All 4-H members from 12-19 years old are invited to participate. There will be a \$10 registration fee which is due by January 7. If painting grotesque masks, getting stuck in poison peanut butter and spider webs sounds like fun, come join us on January 8/9.

DISTRICT 4-H SOCIAL
Four-H members and leaders from across the district will dance the night away at the Holiday Social on January 2. The party will be held at the Agri-Youth Center in Pittsburg from 7:00 p.m.-11:00 p.m. Admission to the affair is a refreshment item and \$1.00. See you in Pittsburg.

CARING FOR POINSETTIAS
Perhaps you are one of the many who received a traditional poinsettia at Christmas time or you may be shopping for one of these beautiful, yet fragile, plants for someone.

Finding the right poinsettia will allow you to keep a vibrant-looking plant well into the new year. If the tiny yellow flowers in the center of the poinsettia are tight and not wide open and are very close together, that is a pretty good sign it is a fresh one.

Check the soil to determine if it needs a drink. Avoid overwatering. Overwatering is the most common cause of trouble in growing house plants.

We receive many calls each year after the first of the year from individuals wanting to save the plant so that it will rebloom. Our general

recommendation is to dispose of the plant after it has passed its attractive phase and buy another one next year rather than going through all the hassle.

Now, if you are intent on re-blooming this year's poinsettia, place a box over the plant or put the plant in a closet starting the first of September. Then maintain a dark period from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. every day. This process is continued until you begin to see the small yellow flowers beginning to form.

Most of my generation can recall our treks into the woods for some mistletoe to be placed above a door as Christmas decoration. As I recall, it never seemed to increase the chances of a kiss, but it always served as a conversation piece as relatives visited.

Did you know that mistletoe is harmful if swallowed? The small white berries can cause some problems, so keep mistletoe out of the reach of children. You might want to remove the berries prior to placing the mistletoe above the door.

Mistletoe is actually a tree parasite, and if it gets bad enough, it can actually kill a tree. If it infects a large tree, there are a few ways to get rid of it. First, you can simply rake the mistletoe off, although it will come back. Second, you can cover it from the sun. Finally, if it is only affecting a small limb, cut the limb off and throw it away.

Birds are generally thought to be the main method of carrying the white berries where they fall in a crack on a tree and germinate. This might be a natural split in the bark or perhaps an injury. Seldom have we observed trees that were killed from a mistletoe infection, but it is possible.

Be careful with mistletoe in the house.

Barker Christmas Held

December 20, 1992, Troyal and Charlene Sprueill Barker hosted the annual Barker Christmas dinner at the First Methodist Fellowship Hall in Blossom.

Those attending were: Cora Dockery Barker, Paris; John & Lynn Little Barker, Bedford; Allan and Ann Barker Stamper & Grandson Joey, Arlington; Royce and Vickie Barker Denman, Huntington; Ronnie and Clark Barker, Corsicana; Britt and

Amanda Barker Barnard and Seth and Ethan of Blossom, Vern and Kathy Lynch Barker and Cole of Reno; Jeff and Cathy Barker Redd and Daniel of Roxton, Michael and Michelle Barker Bush and Tyler and Cammie also of Roxton, Rachel Walling Sprueill of Blossom and visitors from Jennings were Winnie and Diana Sorrells, Bonnie Frazier of Clardy and Wanda Archer of Paris. Dinner was served, gifts exchanged and games of 42 were played.



BLOSSOM GIRL SCOUTS brought refreshments and sang Christmas Carols to Deport Nursing Home Residents recently, much to the delight of the residents. (Staff Photo)

O'Brien Named To Board Of Directors Of Bedford Bank

Dr. Stephen O'Brien, a native of Lamar County, has been named to the Board of Directors of Western American National Bank of Bedford. O'Brien graduated from Garland High School, East Texas State University and was a science and biology teacher in Garland Schools before graduating in 1984 from the University of Texas Dental Branch in Houston, the owner of O'Brien Dental Services, Inc. in Euleess. he and his

children, Rachael, age 9, Stephanie age 7 and Julie age 4 attend First Baptist Church in Euleess where he is President of the Euleess Lions Club and serves on the Euleess Parks Board. He is the son of Ruth and Stanley O'Brien of Garland. His grandparents, are pioneer residents of Lamar County and are the late Della and Herman Day and Mary and Josh O'Brien.

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Troy Owens
Commissioner Precinct 1

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Lamar County Judge Deane Loughmiller

To the citizens of Lamar County, I want to wish each and everyone of you a Happy New Year. I look forward to serving you as your Sheriff in 1993.

B. J. McCoy
Sheriff Lamar County

It has been a pleasure serving the people of Lamar County, Precinct 1, As Constable. Best Wishes For A Happy New Year

Randy Boren
Constable Precinct 1

Wishing all of you a Happy New Year In 1993. It's been a pleasure serving you.

Kathy Pool

Lamar County Clerks Office

Wishing all of you the very best in the coming New Year. Thanks For Your Support.

Pete Patterson
State Representative District 9

Wishing all of you a Happy New Year and looking forward to serving you in the coming New Year.

Kathy Bolton
Lamar County Tax-Assessor Collector

Wishing all of you a Happy New Year. It's been a pleasure serving you.

Latricia Miller
Lamar County Treasurer

I am looking forward to serving you as County Attorney in the coming year. I appreciate the support you have given me in the past and ask for your continued support for good law enforcement. Best Wishes For A Happy New Year.

Tom D. Wells
County Attorney

I Would Like To Wish Everyone A Happy New Year.

Jim Chapman
U.S. Congressman

I would like to wish everyone a Happy New Year. It's been a pleasure serving you As Constable of Precinct 4.

Billy Foreman
Constable, Precinct 4 Lamar County

Wishin You A New Year Of Peace And Happiness.

Marvin Ann Patterson
Lamar County District Clerk

Levi Clark Celebrates 90th Birthday

Levi Clark of Odessa celebrated his 90th birthday on December 6 at the home of his daughter, Dorothy Holloman.

Attending the celebration were his grandchildren and great-grandchildren, Leewayne, Wally and Jason Holloman of Odessa; Ronnie, Wanda, Caressa and Chris Holloman of Garland; David, Annette, Holec and Brian

McDermott of Aurora, Colorado; and Gary, Diane, Ryan and Jordan Holloman of Odessa.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark lived in Blossom until 1969 when they moved to Odessa. Mrs. Clark died in 1991 and he continues to live alone, taking care of his home and going for daily walks as weather permits.

JANUARY						
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24	25	26	27	28	29	30

Prairiland C.I.S.D. Calendar of Events January, 1993

- January
- 1.....New Year's Day
 - 2.....Five Basketball games with Sulphur Bluff at Prairiland, 2 p.m.
 - 3.....Teacher's Workday
 - 4.....Student's First Day Back To School
 - 5.....Basketball vs. DeKalb, Here, 4:30 p.m. (four games)
 - 6.....Harts Bluff at Deport, 6 p.m.
 - 7.....North Hopkins at Blossom, 4:30 p.m. (four games)
 - 8.....Basketball vs. Chisum at High School, 6 p.m. (girls)
 - 9.....High School boys at Pittsburg, 6 p.m.
 - 9.....North Lamar 9th Girls Tournament
 - 10.....9th Boys and JV boys at Cooper
 - 11.....Deport at Avery, 6 p.m.
 - 11.....Blossom at Detroit, 4:30 p.m. (four games)
 - 12.....School Board meeting at 7:30 p.m.
 - 12.....Basketball vs. Cooper at Prairiland, 4 p.m. (four games)
 - 13.....Deport PTO meeting in Cafeteria
 - 15.....Prairiland 9th and JV Boys Tournament at Prairiland
 - 16.....Tournament Continues
 - 18.....Detroit at Deport, 6 p.m.
 - 19.....Sulphur Bluff at Blossom, 4 p.m. (four games)
 - 19.....Basketball vs. Rivercrest at Prairiland, 4 p.m. (four games)
 - 21.....District UIL Coaches meeting at Cooper, 5:30 p.m.
 - 22.....Basketball vs. Wolfe City, There, 4:30 p.m. (three games)
 - 25.....Chapel Hill at Deport, 6 p.m.
 - 25.....Blossom at Winfield, 6 p.m.
 - 26.....Basketball vs. Honey Grove at Prairiland, 4:30 (three games)
 - 28.....Junior High Girls District Tournament at Sulphur Bluff
 - 29.....Junior High Girls Tournament Continues
 -Basketball vs. Chisum, There, 4 p.m. (four games)
 - 30.....Junior High Tournament Continues

It's A Celebration!

Thanks for making this past year so grand.

Happy New Year!

Lamar County Tax Collector
Kathy Bolton and Staff



PLEASE...
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The First Christmas Wreath

By Maureen Richardson

A sure sign of the approaching Christmas season is the appearance of festive wreaths that trim countless doors. These gaily decorated reminders prepare us once more to celebrate the wondrous birth of Christ our Savior.

Christmas, after all, should be a time of warmth and celebration. Families draw close together, youngsters smiling, giving of gifts, these and many personal touches and traditions make this a most special time of year.

It also brings about endless traffic

jams, spending more than we can afford, fatigue, traffic deaths and body counts, loneliness and depression.

Christmas is a celebration of Life. Christ was a "Man of sorrows and familiar with suffering". This ministry was mis-understood.

He patiently bore hostility and the injustice of being wrongly accused. He humbly submitted to arrest, torture, and the cruelest of deaths. But his suffering has brought us hope and freedom to us all.

Why can't we celebrate each year with the Christmas Wreath? For Christ wore the first one...a crown of thorns.

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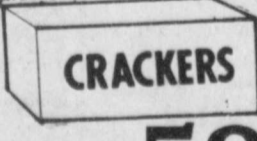
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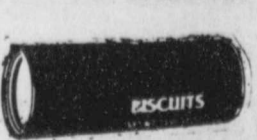
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Deport Locals

By Kathy Guess

Russell and Pat Crawford spent the holidays with their children and grandchildren in Euless.

Darrin and Monica Gifford and Jacob, Cliff and DeeDee Gifford, Cegie and Callie visited John and Shirley Gifford.

Rick and Anita Rhodes, Ronda and Ryan, Mark Rhodes, Mike and Sonya Rhodes and Jordan spent Christmas with Dwayne and Virginia Rhodes.

Larry Crawford, Prentice and Jo Crawford, Mrs. May Randolph, John and Shirley Gifford, Donald and Phyllis Crawford, Dina Weir, Craig and Mandy Crawford, Kaci and Kara had Christmas dinner with Raymond and Edith Crawford. Visiting after dinner were eChris and Teena Sparks and Courtney, Stephanie Morrison, Bailey and Blake.

Jack Ballard and family of Texarkana and Glynda mother of Ft. Worth had Christmas dinner with the Joe Ballards of Deport.

Joel Ballard and friend of Longview were home for Christmas.

Carl and Glynda and kids went to Palestine for Christmas.

L.C. Ballard has been sick with the virus.

Having breakfast Christmas morning with Bocky Norman were Sammy, Ashley, Phil and Amy Strickland and Dana, Terri, Amanda and Stephen Norman.

Rob and Laura Robinson of Houston were holiday visitors of Jimmy and Joahn Langley and the Sammy Strickland family. The Robinsons, Langleys and Stricklands and Bocky Norman had Christmas dinner with R.D. and Pat Barner in Paris.

Mrs. Alice Bumgarner spent Christmas with her daughter, Alice Gravatt of Reno. Those having dinner Christmas day with them were her children, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Parks of Deport, Mr. and Brandon and Tyler of Reno, Mr. and Mrs. Darren Hickman of Pauls Valley, OK.

Mrs. Linnie Bailey visited Mr. and Mrs. Bill Blevins of Pattonville Thursday and Thursday night and had supper with them. She had Christmas dinner and spent the night with Pat and Debra Bailey of Reno.

Before Christmas, Larry and Judy Whittle and girls took her aunt, Jua-

national Cutting Horse Finals. They saw Tanya Tucker, Lynn Anderson and Billy Dean, only a few of the participants.

Mervin and Colleen Slaton visited Larry and Judy Whittle and girls Tuesday before Christmas.

Joining Mr. and Mrs. C.M. Wright for their Christmas dinner on December 19 were all their children but one son. Attending were Pam Hughes and sons of Euless, Ronnie and Sue Wright and family and Ronnie and Nelda Bailey adn family, all of Deport. Delissa Duffie and Kyle of Bogata joined them.

Visiting Dick Burden for the holidays were his niece, Carrie Beth Burden Johnson, three children and five grandchildren; Joni and Greg Land, Jeremy and Caitlin; Jan and David Brown, D.J., Stephanie and Lauren, all of Oklahoma City, OK; Petty Officer 2nd Class Thomas D. Johnson II, from Norfolk, VA.

Those having lunch with Buck and Robbie Slaton of Halesboro on Christmas were Boyd and Billy, Wilma Stansell of Paris, Lois and Claudie Dudley and Jerry Dudley of Deport, Jeanna and Melody Woodle of McCrury, Jackie and Doshie Fox, Carlena and Jessica of Cunningham.

Purna Haydock spent the holidays with her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Guest of Dallas.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Alsobrook visited the Buck Slaton's Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Pete Hulen of Sulphur Springs and Jimmy Hulen of Dallas spent Sunday with Purna Haydock.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Foster, Jill and Alison of Bogata were Christmas Eve supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Marlin Foster.

Christmas morning, Marlin and Billie Mac Foster with Sam and Sammie McConnell of Bogata and Mr. and Mrs. Kenny Cline of Tyler, had breakfast with Morris and Ginger Foster and girls.

During the holidays, Kathy Guess and Lee Bice visited Russell Lawler and Jimmie Duffie in Red River Havn Nursing Home.

Mr. and Mrs. Buck Slaton visited Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Ham and others at Deport Nursing Home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayland Ward of Mt. Pleasant had lunch last Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Marlin Foster.

Mr. and Mrs. Buck Slaton visited Mr. and Mrs. R.R. Stone of Clardy Sunday.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Slaton during the Christmas holidays were their children, Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Blount, Nicholas and Jeffery of Temple; Mr. and Mrs. David Slaton of Waco and Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Holt, Chris and Renea of Milton. Joining them Saturday were Mrs. Elbert Anderson of Post Oak and Amy Grissom of Paris.

Mr. and Mrs. Stan Caywood, Heather and Courtney of Marysville, TN visited her parents, Rev. and Mrs. Chief Warden during the holidays. Their pets, Dee Dee and Bo visited Molly.

Wednesday, John Roach hosted a Christmas party at his home for Jim Wood, Conrad Hobbs, Boyd and Billy Slaton and Leslie Taylor. The evening was spent eating, playing games and enjoying good fellowship.

Raymond and Aubrey Hignight

spent the holidays with their daughter, Sue Carrell of Norman, OK. Join them for Christmas breakfast was their granddaughter, Reg and Carla Freemeyer, Erin and Evan and their grandson, Craig and Kim Carrell, Katie and Drew.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Bullard and Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Nall and family of Paris and Mr. and Mrs. Tim Byrd and Michael spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Dale Gray.

Those visiting Charles and Janet Chafin and Morris Weddle for Christmas were Mack and Janet Wedde of Paris, Keith, Donna and Bryan Chapman of Garland, Butch, Kay, Wendy, Kane and Devin Peek, and Danny Weddle, all of Fulbright; Randy, Dian and Mandy Weddle of Bogata and Donnie, Cassie, Jennifer and Chris Betenbough and Robin and Sherry Weddle of Deport and Lue Hoffman.

Mr. and Mrs. Thurman Franks of Paris visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Dale Gray.

Spending the holidays with their mother, Linda Rose and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. James Grant were Mr. and Mrs. Durward Bragg of Pearsall, Mr. and Mrs. Chris Dolney, Matt and Caitlin of Princeton, Mr. and Mrs. John Baker, Delayne and Jake of Claremore, OK and Ceseey Rose of Eastland.

Hooker Bryant, who has been in Dallas Veterans Hospital for four months and now undergoing therapy to regain use of his hands and legs, was welcomed home to visit family and friends Christmas Eve. There was a party held for him at the Earl Gresham residence. Those attending were Bill Smith, Benet and Dorothy Smith of Paris, Jesse, Carla, Brittany and Courtney Filkins of Pattonville, Faye Elmore, Ruth Whittle, Kathy Guess, Lee Bice, Doris and Curtis Elmore, Larry and Judy Whittle, Penny and Susan, Felton Mantooth, Carol Ladd, Amber Gardner, Joe Davidson, Jimmy Speir, Nancy Hammond, Randy Gresham, Nell and Amber Gardner, Justin, Vicki and Jacob Bryant, Nolen, Glenda and Quinten Mitchell. His daughters, Ruthie Dale Bryant of San Clemente, CA and Debbie Campbell of Dallas called to wish him a Merry Christmas. We will remember him in our prayers.

Gordon and Clois Alsobrook had Christmas with Earl, Nancy, Randy, Gloria, Corey and Lacey Gresham, Janice, Danny and Curt Phillips, Larry Aeshim, Christie and Joe Reeves and Scott LaRue. Saturday they were visited by Gina Alsobrook of Farmersville, Terry Bell of Clarksville, Forrest, Wendy, Tonya and Tanya Cave of Antlers, OK.

Family and friends joining Kathy Guess in her home for a Christmas Eve party were Ruth Whittle, Mrs. Faye Elmore, Lee Bice, Larry and Judy Whittle, Penny and Susan and Jesse and Carla Filkins, Brittany and Courtney. Along with lots of good food, exchanging gifts, they walked to Earl and Nancy Greshams to wish them a Merry Christmas and to welcome Hooker Bryant home for the holidays. Eric and Debbie Pearson came by later in the evening.

Ruth Whittle had her family for Christmas dinner, Mrs. Fay Elmore, Bill and Joyce Smith of Paris, Larry and Judy Whittle and girls, Jesse and Carla Filkins and girls, Kathy Guess and Lee Bice. Jeff and Shirley Whittle of Blossom came by Christmas night.

David Glover of Dallas spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Duane Glover.

On December 23, Larry and Judy Whittle and girls had a Christmas party at their home for Judy's nephews, Michael, Bobby and Cary Langston and friends Misty Summarow and Amanda Hines.

Christmas night, Kelli and Lannie Hohenberger and Gary Reynolds of Sumner, Billy Slaton and friend Jeanna and her sister, Melody, visited the Larry Whittles.

Carol Ladd of Paris had lunch and spent the afternoon with Ruth Whittle Sunday.

Visitors of Edna Bell, Bocky Norman and the Mac Webbs during the holidays were Tommie Cannon, Judy Stewart, Sara, Paul and Chris Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Terry Cannon, Matt and Zack, Tyler.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Webb and Bocky Norman, Tim and Karen Walker, Nathan and David of Ft. Worth enjoyed a get together in the home of Tom and Brenda, Drew and Andrew in Paris Saturday night.

Reba Temple spent Christmas in Irving where she visited Bruce Temple and his children, Nicole and Clint. She also visited her grandson, Ryan Randle and other relatives and friends.

Gail, Cary, Michael Langston and Misty Sumrow enjoyed a visit with her family in Mansfield on Christmas day. Brittany Filkins spent Christmas night with her aunt, Kathy Guess.

Having Christmas Eve Dinner with Thomas and Nanalee Nichols were: Hugh and Medora Jeffus, Hugh and Vicki Jeffus, Jeff, Camey, Benji, Sharon and Dale.

Christmas luncheon guests of Thomas and Nanalee Nichols were: Mae Nichols, Aaron, Mike and Craig Nichols, Mary Mantooth, Christopher and Angel, Ronald and Carolyn Nichols, Matthew, Abbie and Paige, Connie Young, Paul and Betty Nichols.

Visiting Saturday Dec. 26th with Hugh and Medora Jeffus and Thomas and Nanalee Nichols were Christy and Jason Dickson.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker Devline spent Christmas with their daughter Mr. and Mrs. Ledford Kelly and Granddaughters Katy and Sarah in Georgetown.

Mr. and Mrs. Ruebin Burmett of Paris visited the Walker Devlins during Christmas.

Ruth and Stanley O'Brien were recent visitors in El Dorado, LARK.

Jerry Day of Pottsboro is doing well and attended the Crafts Day recently in Pattonville.

Calvin Day has been busy in the communities installing television towers.

Hammond Day of Parker was in the community of Shady Grove visiting Bob Day and enjoying bird hunting.

Bradley O'Brien will enter the University of Texas at Austin in January. He is assigned to a reserve unit there after completing a four year tour of the army, serving in the Persian Gulf and earning the Bronze Star.



Neil Wolf honored her husband, George, with a hamburger party for his birthday on December 14. The family all attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Philli Roach and Beth spent Christmas with her parents, Payne and Nora Appleby of Waco.

Trey Lee of Plano spent Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon Lee.

Helen Temple and Hattie Hobbs of Paris spent Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. David Hobbs and Jason of Rowlett.

George and Nell Wolf attended the annual Christmas get together of the Welch Propane Gas Co. at the Fish Fry Saturday, Dec. 19.

Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon Lee and Trey Lee of Plano had Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Morris Lawler.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Upchurch spent Friday and Saturday with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hill, Elizabeth and Andrew of Camden, AR.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Maurischat of San Antonio spent Thursday through Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Holt.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvis Glen Ballard of Clardy visited Mr. and Mrs. Mutt Harvey Sunday afternoon.

Sheldon and Ann Lee had open house Christmas Eve night attending were Mr. and Mrs. Ray Turner, Helen Temple, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Upchurch, Hattie Hobbs of Paris and Trey Lee of Plano.

Spending Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Morris Lawler were Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Harvey and daughters and Trey Lee of Plano and Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon Lee.

Having Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Mutt Harvey were Buddy and Sue Malone and Sarah Broderick of Deport, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harvey of Pattonville, Mr. and Mrs. Tracy Harvey and boys of Reno, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Malone and Matthew of Mt. Pleasant, Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Malone and Micah of Milton.

Richard Winkler of Houston visited Mr. and Mrs. George Wolf the past week.

Visiting Mr. and Mrs. Tommie Malone and Micah over the Christmas holidays were her sister, Judy

Barnett of Miami, Florida and Earl and Earlene Barnett.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Marshall attended their family Christmas get together Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Marshall of Lewisville.

Spending Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. James Holt were Barbara and Jake Maurischat of San Antonio, Johnny, Cathy, Chris and Renea Holt of Milton, Kay, Greg and Tim Parks of Faught and Dale Williams of Paris and Terry Johnson of Deport.

The family of George and Nell Wolf gathered at their home Christmas Eve. On Christmas day they had dinner with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Filkins of Deport.

Michelle Casey of Carrollton, Patty Brennan and Amanda and Lyssa of Plano visited their aunt, Helen Temple, Wednesday.

Visiting in the Frank Lee home over Christmas were Ruth and T.J. Johnston, Jimmy Chappell, Vickie and Steve Reeves, Ollie and Ruth Lee, John Holmes of Paris, Julie James of Oklahoma and Tony Ellis of California.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Bell of Cypress Springs and Corene Taylor of Deport visited Mr. and Mrs. Holla Bell Christmas day.

The Kennedy families had Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth H. Allen and family.

Visiting John Manley Temple Wednesday and the night were Mr. and Mrs. Paul Temple of Atlanta, GA, Michelle Casey and Blair of Carrollton, Patty Brennan, Amanda and Lyssa of Plano. They all with John Manley and Amber Brennan went to the family home in Plano for Christmas Day.

Callie Carrasco of San Antonio is spending this week with her sister and husband, Buena and Bob Marshall and helping attend her mother, Fannie Whitney in a Paris nursing home.

Dorothy Holt and Barbara Maurischat visited Joyce Wilson of Craig on Saturday.

Elizabeth Walker has returned from spending a week and Christmas day with Peggy Robins of Wills Point and Gale and Butch Smith of Mesquite.

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Deport Housing Authority News

By Mary Westbrook

Mr. and Mrs. Wright and family and Mr. and Mrs. Allen Dale Huddleston of Deport, Mr. and Mrs. Sam McCann of Paris had supper Christmas night with Mrs. Mildred Wright.

Mrs. Corene Taylor visited Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Bell of Cypress Springs Lake over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Ellington of Huntsville visited Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Sparks Christmas.

Alpha Barnard spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Ratliff and family of Paris.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy Jack Wear of Muleshoe visited Mrs. Mamie Kennedy and family Christmas.

Mrs. Thelma Shelby spent Christmas with her children, Brenda Daughtery and children from Leonard and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Anderson and children of Garland.

Kenneth Betterton of Ft. Worth is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Tilden Betterton.

Betty Jackson visited her mother, Carrie Bennett on Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Ladd entertained the few people on Christmas day in the gazebo that didn't have their friends and relatives with them.

Their menu consisted of ham, chicken and turkey and dressing and all the trimmings, homemade hot rolls made by Mavis Sowards. Several different kinds of cake and pies were also made by different people.

After lunch they played canasta, Scrabble and other games. Everyone enjoyed the day. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Gifford, Fair Shae and Tara, Edna Earl Gifford, Myrtle Singleton, Alma Scaff, Thelma Warren, Carrie Bennett, Ina and Nina Sparks, Carlos Ladd, Melba Ladd, Mary Westbrook. Thanks to Carlos and Melba for being so thoughtful.

Joyce and Angie Betterton of Blossom visited Mr. and Mrs. Tilden Betterton.

Dorothea McDowra spent a week in Garland with her son Mr. and Mrs. M.D. McDowra.

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Michelle Davis lost 20 lbs. in 12 weeks.

On December 23, Larry and Judy Whittle and girls had a Christmas party at their home for Judy's nephews, Michael, Bobby and Cary Langston and friends Misty Summarow and Amanda Hines.

Christmas night, Kelli and Lannie Hohenberger and Gary Reynolds of Sumner, Billy Slaton and friend Jeanna and her sister, Melody, visited the Larry Whittles.

Carol Ladd of Paris had lunch and spent the afternoon with Ruth Whittle Sunday.

Visitors of Edna Bell, Bocky Norman and the Mac Webbs during the holidays were Tommie Cannon, Judy Stewart, Sara, Paul and Chris Dallas, Mr. and Mrs. Terry Cannon, Matt and Zack, Tyler.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Webb and Bocky Norman, Tim and Karen Walker, Nathan and David of Ft. Worth enjoyed a get together in the home of Tom and Brenda, Drew and Andrew in Paris Saturday night.

Reba Temple spent Christmas in Irving where she visited Bruce Temple and his children, Nicole and Clint. She also visited her grandson, Ryan Randle and other relatives and friends.

Gail, Cary, Michael Langston and Misty Sumrow enjoyed a visit with her family in Mansfield on Christmas day. Brittany Filkins spent Christmas night with her aunt, Kathy Guess.

Having Christmas Eve Dinner with Thomas and Nanalee Nichols were: Hugh and Medora Jeffus, Hugh and Vicki Jeffus, Jeff, Camey, Benji, Sharon and Dale.

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