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By Liz Irwin

Department....Yes, how may we help

you? A fire, yes, can you repeat the

directions please." A call in the middle

of the night awakens Jackie Sargent

as he takes down critical information

that will speed the volunteer firemen

to their destination. There they will

use all their skills to eliminate a po-

tential disaster to home or

property...or perhaps it's a wreck,

where they will help direct traffic,

render first aid or extricate a victim

bile. Whatever the emergency, they

It all begins with Jackie Sergent,

who takes the crucial call. This

modest young man refuses to take

any credit for the work that he does as

a volunteer fireman. He says that the

volunteers who go to the fires, awak-

ened at all hours, day or night, fight

a fire, whether it be a housefire,

brushfire or grass fire, and come back

home bone-tired and still have to

report to a regular job have the tough

job. That, and the wives and families

who have to wait impatiently to make

sure their loved one returns safely

home. Sometimes a wife will call

Jackie and ask for a brief report about

what is happening. Then she can call

other firemen's wives and ease their

says. Not so ... at least not in the case

of Jackie Sargent. Jackie is a paraple-

gic and is bound to a wheelchair

"Easy job, the dispatcher's", he

from the twisted metal of an automo-

will be there.

minds.

"Blossom Volunteer Fire

By Nanalee Nichols Handles. Every day we all come in contact with handles. We touch them, grasp them, push them, pull them, and lift with them. We also never think about them.

But consider the lowly handle. It ranges from the ordinary, ignorable to the functional and all the way to the realm of fancy and fantasy!

There are handles such as are on doors. They mostly consist of knobs of brass. Some, however are shaped like levers, others as flat, slotted pieces of metal, or a simple push bar. Occasionally we come across handsomely chased or molded door knobs, or ones made from glass.

There are door handles on car doors, from lift-up flaps to pull out levers.

There are plastic straps and grasps on the inside of vehicles for pulling the door shut, and all manner of handles and latchs under hoods, on dash compartments and consoles.

Then there are tiny handles....such as the stem on a watch for setting time, or the little handles on cameras for rewinding film.

There are handles on computers for lifting them, handles on cardboard shipping boxes for the same purpose.

Kitchen cabinets and drawer pulls comprise a whole world of their own. These handles may be ornate, or plain wood or porceline. They may be painted with flowers, stripes or lines, they may have wide loops or be a simple knob. Drawer pulls feature a bewildering array of styles from Georgian and Victorian to the highly contemporary.

Vases, dishes and ornaments combine imagination and practicality.

Soup tureens are fashioned in

when up. He must spend 99% of his time confined to bed, though.

Sending Them Out To Battle The Blaze

Jackie Sargent Dispatches Blossom Firemen

Jackie's spinal cord was severed in an autobobile accident north of Ardmore, Oklahoma in November of 1975. That is why he can sit up only for short periods of time and then must return to his bed. He was just about to turn twenty years old when the accident occurred.

While he must be physically down he certainly isn't "down" in any other way

Longtime friend John Mayes found Jackie the perfect job...you guessed it...as fire department dispatcher.

The Blossom volunteer fire department approached him, and when he agreed rigged him up an antenna in the back yard and a complete radio setup by his bed and a telephone for fire calls only.

Jackie admits that the funniest calls he gets are the computer calls that won't stop talking until they complete their speil, but says he doesn't receive many prank calls.

He had prior radio experience when he was stationed at Ft. Bliss in El Paso when he served in the Army in the 3rd Armored Tank Division. There he had to learn the use of radios as they communicated with each other from tank to tank during their training.

Jackie lives with his mother, Lois Sander. His dad, J.O. Sanders, died last June, a blow to the mother and son. The family moved here from Farm-

ington, New Mexico in 1977 and he

says that the Texas terrain is easier to manuever around in a wheelchair than the hills of New Mexico, plus they have family all around Ardmore, Oklahoma.

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DEPORT, LAMAR COUNTY, TEXAS

Jackie received his GED after settling down in Blossom. He took some classes at Paris Junior College, until he could no longer be up that long enough.

He says he used to read a lot, but took a speed reading course and now goes through books so fast they don't last long.

He and his mother attend Fellowship Baptist Church and are active members.

Jackie states that Blossom is a great town to live in, and he works with a great group of people.

He is proud to be a member of the Blossom Volunteer Fire Department, and says that they are working on getting some younger men in the community involved in the organization.

Jackie says that the firemen are always there to assist him in anyway he needs it.

He stresses over and over that they are the fellows doing all he hard work, getting out and fighting fires

What he doesn't point out is that he is always there too ... when an emergency call comes in to the Blossom Volunteer Fire Department it will be Jackie, taking directions and getting the firemen on top of the situation as quickly as possible.



TALKING IT OVER-Jackie Sargent, (left) looks over a list with Blossom Volunteer Fire Chief Terry Burchinal. Jackie, although he must spend most of

Thursday, March 25, 1993

his time in bed, serves as the efficient, calm voice that answers Blossom's fire calls and dispatches the firemen. (Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

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Chili Cookoff Shaping Up

has more booths reserved than ever before. A few of the things that will be on hand? Knife sharpening (bring any kind of knife down to be sharpened) fishing equipment, baby quilts, wood working and wooden yard cutouts and displays and much more. There is still space available, so call Nanalee Nichols at 652-4205 or 652-5823 to reserve. Space is only \$5 this year

Pies and Cakes are still needed as desserts for the chili/stew supper Friday night. Anyone wishing to 652-3456 or bring them by after noon

This year's chili cookoff already cooking up their special blends of meats and spcies.

There will be a FREE breakfast for cooks and members of the community from 6 until 9 a.m. Saturday, April 10th. Then, at 11:00 a.m. the annual Deport Community Easter Egg Hunt will be held behind the Legion Hall. There will be eggs, candy eggs and prize eggs.

A concession stand with BBO brisket and all kinds of food and drinks will be open. Custom designed Chili Cookoff Tee shirts and raffle tickets and duck race tickets will also be for donate may call Kathy at City Drug, sale that day. Duck race tickets and raffle tickets are already being sold. First through 10th place will be given in the CASI chili division, and 1st through 5th in Local Chili. There will be 1st through 3rd place trophies for Fire Department Chili, and 1st through 3rd as well as cash for beans. The Duck race is at 2 P.M. the bed race at 2:30. Judging will be announced about 4 p.m. Anyone wishing to sign up may do so by calling Rick Poston at 78 5-0929, or Don Denison at 652-2425. Sign ups are also allowed that Saturday morn-

the shapes of little rabbits, shells, vegetables, fruits and other fanciful items.

Handles on creamers, gravy boats, and other items that must be picked up are scrolled, twisted and embellished with gold.

On the other side of the "handle coin" there are the strictly practical handles that form the major part of hammers, screw drivers, wrenchs and other tools.

Even brooms, dustpans and vacumn feature handles.

The ordinary handle. It is something that all of us, literally, put our hand too hundreds of times a

Perhaps that's why one of the very first things and infant learns to do is grasp...whetehr it is a brightly colored ring or a parent's finger. Look around some time and see all the incredible variety of thingscome under the heading of handle ... it's a whole world filled with this funcitonal idea!



The Pattonville Community Center and Volunteer Fire Departmen will have its monthly meeting at 7 ered dish supper will be at 6:30.

The Broadway Junction Band will play on Friday, March 26 at the Pattonville Community Center beginning at 8 p.m. A concession stand will be provided. Proceeds will go to the Pattonville Community Center and Volunteer Fire Department.

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HONOR SOCITY-Deport Junior High School has recently begun a National Honor Society. From left to right, back row are: Mrs. Montgomery and Mrs. Evans, Sponsors, Chasitie Moody, Melanie Griffin, Fair

Shea Gifford (President), Misty Adams (Reporter), Lee Bland, David Ford (Vice President), Chris Malone, Mr. Hatcher, Sponsor and Christie Reeves. Front Row are Shanna Pegg,

Ben Miller, Cliff Adams, Jennifer Roberts, Rachel Birch, Christal Gilbert, Wendy Hutchings (Sec. Treas) and Kristin Lawrence. (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)

Project Show, Cook-Off, Pig Wrestling & Auction Is April 3

in the sale will include projects made

by the Prairiland FFA and 4-H

Stew and chili cookers are needed.

Anyone interested in participating in

the stew/chili cook-off is asked to

and Chili Supper at 5:30.

members.

The annual Prairiland FFA and 4p.m. on Monday, March 29. A cov- H Project Show, Stew-Chili Cook-Off, Pig Wrestling and Auction will be held Saturday, April 3 at the Prairiland campus in Pattonville.

Activities will begin at 10:00 a.m. with the judging.

Divisions in this year's livestock show will include Swine, Miscellaneous, Lambs, Dairy and Breeding Beef.

At 12 noon, a lunch break will be taken, beginning back at 12:30 with

Final Cookoff Meeting Set For April 1st.

The next Chili Cookoff Meeting wil be at 6:00, April 1st, and everyone interested is invited to drop by the Deport American Legion Building and help finalise plans for the April 10th event.

Anyone wishing to help in an;y way is urged to attend.

the Kiddie Show and Steer classes. at 652-5681 and speak with Max Bal-The Pig Wrestling will take place lard, Frankie Norwood or Bobby at 4:30 p.m., followed by the Stew Winters.

The day-long activities have al-The Auction will be held at 6:30, ways been a favorite way for many following the supper. Items included people to spend a Saturday.

There will be plenty of good food, good livestock judging and lots of fun at the pig wrestling.

Everyone is invited to come out and spend the day and make the Ag students' day a successful one.

contact the Prairiland Ag Department Deport Kindergarten Roundup Is April 1

Deport Elementary School will holds its Kindergarten Roundup and registration in the cafeteria at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, April 1, for children who will be five years old on or before September 1.

Parents should bring their child's birth certificate, shot record and social security card to register.

During registration, children and parents will have the opportunity to meet the kindergarten teachers and visit the classrooms.

There are several fun activities planned for the children, including a short bus ride. For more information, call Deport Elementary School at 652-3325.

on Friday, April 9th at the Deport American Legion Hall.

Dont't forget the other events coming up that weekend. The chili/ stew supper begins at 5:30 p.m. Friday night, and the meal is only \$3 per person, complete with coffee, tea and dessert as well as chili and stew, crackers, etc.

At 7:30 there will be an auction at the Fire Station next to the Legion Hall. A few of the auction items? A beautiful original art work, completely framed, a basketball, coin set, bracelet, and earrings, and much more, as well as delicious home baked pies, cakes and cookies. This year's auciton will be shorter than in previous years, but feature great items! The CASI Cooks will be back,

Local cooks, fire departments are urged to enter.

Remember, this fund raiser is very important, since Deport's Pumper Truck was destroyed after being stolen in December.



PROGRESS- Huge cement trucks were busy leaving cement to be worked into the gravel on

Hwy. 271 as work is continuing on the road . (Staff Photo by Nanalee Nichols)

Class of '58 To Hold Reunion

The East Lamar High School class of 1958 will hold a 35th year reunion on April 17 at 6 p.m. at the Western Sizzling Steak House in Paris, 3755 Lamar Avenue.

It will be a dutch treat meal

A reception and visiting will be held at the Best Western Hospitality Suite

All class members and teachers are invited to attend.

Thursday, March 25, 1993



Mr. and Mrs. Quarles of Paris came and got Mrs. Ethel Epps Friday night and they visited Mrs. Bernice Conlan in Clarksville.

Mrs. Kyle King, Nicole, Shelley and Travis of Paris visited Friday wiht Travis and Jimmie King.

Mrs. Lilly Massey was taken to Clarksville General Hospital recently but is back in the Bogata Nursing Home now.

Saturday, Dick King of Pariws visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Travis King. Kerry King of Decatur was a visitor also.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Massey of Tucumcari, NM are in for a visit.

Mrs. Ethel Epps and Mrs. Travis King visited Mrs. Bonnie Fay Hammer of Aikin Grove in Clarksville General Hospital Friday.

Mrs. Ethel Epps ate Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Epps and

Dana in Rosalie.

Betty Rodgers, Monte and Shelley Rodgers of Tigertown spent the weekend in Boyd visiting Mrs. Bernice Thomas. They visited Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Cremeen and Mr. and Mrs. Gaylon Cremeen and daughter in Springtown.

Harold Epps of Mt. Vernon was a visitor Thursday of Mrs. Ethel Epps. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Epps and Dana were Saturday visitors.

Visitors Wednesday of Mr. and Mrs. Clovis VanDeaver and Hurley Stevens were Mrs. Gary Pirtle, Kimberly and Michael of Paris.

Mrs. Clovis VanDeaver and Mrs. Joyce Bartlett of Blossom visited their cousins, A.G. (Bud) Stevens in Wilson Jones Hospital in Sherman Saturday. He underwent major surgery this afternoon.

4-8

3 tbs. honey

1/2 tbs. paprika

of soy sauce:

2 tbs. oil

Country Cooking By Judy Screws

This week's featured cook is Rocky Stephenson, who pastors the Church of God in Bogata.

Rocky is originally from Talco, and his family still lives there, but he has lived all over Texas. His wife LaRonda works for the Jordan Home Health Care. They have three sons: Rocky Jr. 10, Jacob 8, and Gerid 7, who all attend school in Bogata.

The minister says that while his first thought always is with the church, he also can do carpentry and handyman work in general. He also drives a school bus for the Talco Schools.

Rocky has been cooking since he was fourteen years old. He said his dad believed that boys should be able to cook so that they would marry for love and not just so they would have someone to cook for them.

Stephenson has been preaching for three years, but this is his first church to pastor.

I asked him where he got his recipes. He said that they are the result of his and his wife's combined efforts.



When asked what his hobbies were, Rocky laughed and said that when he was younger and in school he would not read anything, but now he reads everything he can get his hands on." He said he does not have time for as much reading as

he would like since his church started their building program. They are preparing lunches each Friday and selling them to the public.

Last week, I commented about the people not letting me take their pictures, and how this policy was oing to change immediately. Things like that always come back to haunt me. This nice young man let me take his picture, as did some other people this week, but when we started to get the film ready to turn in for processing, it was discovered that yours truly had not put film in the camera. Everyone has been really nice about it, but I'm afraid I owe everyone an apology.

Obituaries John Grant Bell **Dies March 20**

John Grant Bell died Saturday, March 20 in Deport Nursing Home at the age of 93.

Services were held Sunday at 4 p.m. in the Deport United Methodist Church with the Rev. Chief Warden officiating. Burial followed in Highland Cemetery under the direction of Grant Funeral Home.

The daughter of Sam and Iris Grant Bell, Miss Bell was born in Lamar County.

She was a member of the Deport United Methodist Church.

She is survived by these sisters, Reecy Kelsey, Doris Norwood and Brodie Bell, all of Deport.

Bearers were Joe T. Kelsey, Travis Dodd, David Glover, Jerome Chapman, Paul Norwood, Dale Gray and Rab Skidmore.

Riley W. Lynn **Dies March 22**

Riley W. Lynn, 73, of Deport died

Monday, March 22 at St. Joseph Hospital, Paris. Graveside services were held at 2

p.m. Wednesday, March 24 at the Rockford Cemetery with the Rev. Chief Warden officiating.

Bright-Holland Funeral Home had charge of arrangements. Mr. Lynn was born March 29, 1919

in Cunningham, the son of Robert Green and Minnie Mae Rogers Lynn.

He married Mable Hughes Burchinal on May 19, 1991 in Vidor. He was a member of the Carpenters Local in Beaumont and a member of the First United Methodist Curch in Deport.

Survivors include his wife; four sons, R.G. Lynn of Woodville, Eddie Lynn of Warren, Roger Lynn of Beaumont and Philip Burchinal of Houston; five daughters, Thelma Joyce Berry of Turlock, CA, Ruth Chipman of Minter, She Sheppard of Minter, Vickie Giles of Midlothian and Marsha Lutch of North Richlasnd Hills; 21 grandchildren; 7 greatgrandchildren and one brother, Raymond Lynn of Vidor.

Eula Mae McGill Dies March 18

Eula Mae McGill, 86, of Rusk, formerly of Deport, died Thursday, March 18 in Oak Park Care Center in Rusk.

Services were held at 10 a.m. Saturda6, March 20 in the Wallace-Thompson Chapel in Rusk. Graveside services were conducted at 3 p.m. Saturday in Highland Cemetery in Deport by Grant Funeral Home.

Mrs. McGill was born Eula Mae

David K. Gordon Dies March 19

David K. Gordon, 38, of Paris died Friday, March 19 in St. Joseph's Hospital and Health Center.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Sunday, March 21 at the Glory Baptist Church with the Rev. Bill Dickey officiating. Bright-Holland Funeral Home made burial in Union Cemetery in Taylortown.

Mr. Gordon was born April 20, 1954 in Weatherford, a son of James H. and Dorris E. Hefner Gordon. He married Charlet Ferguson on February 23, 1983. He was employed at Campbell Soup Company and was a member of the Glory Baptist Church.

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Surviving are his wife; his parents, who live in Taylortown; two children, Jennifer Gordon and Matthew Gordon, both of the home; on brother, Mike Gordon of Minter; a twin sister, Carol Carroll of Paris; and a sister, Sharon V. Lay of Paris.

Bearers were Newt Cook, Johnny Cook, Freddy Cook, Corky White, Kevin Clarkson and Doug Moreland.

Jack Weldon George

Dies March 20

Jack Weldon George, 76, of Paris died Saturday, March 20 in St. Joseph's Hospital and Health Care Center.

Services were held at 11:30 a.m. Monday in Fry and Gibbs Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Ray Starnes officiating. Burial was in Grove Hill Cemetery in Dallas at? p.m. on Monday.

A son of James Jackson and Eura Mae Mitchell George, he was born October 24, 1916 in Petty community. He married Lleen Home on November 21, 1937 in Cunningham.

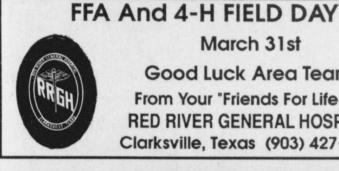
A graduate of Cunningham High Schol, he had retired from Abbott Laboratories an the Dallas office of Nations Bank. He was a member of the Methodist Church.

He is survived by his wife; a son, Deveral George of Houston; a daughter, Carroll Moore of Wills POint; a granddaughter, Sherri Foster of Little Elm; a great-grandson, James CHarles Foster of Little Elm; and two sisters, Juanitta Webber of Dallas and Jeannie Rae Allen of Mesquite.

Bearers were Norris and Pat McDowell, Dr. Michael Ward, Jim Burk, Raymodn Tuley, Weldon Hume, Ray Jones and Paul Hume.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be made to the Efla C. McFadden Hospice at St. Joseph's Hospital and Health Center or to the Galveston Shriners Burn Center.

Cora Lee Neal Cook Dies March 2



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March 25, 1993 Sweet & Sour Stir Fry Chicken until all ingredients are heated. Serve By Rocky Stephenson over rice. Chicken Enchiladas 1/3 cup oil 1 lb. chicken tenders whole chicken, boiled 1 tbs. brown sugar 2 tsp. Cayenne pepper cans cream chicken soup 2 cans cream of mushroom soup -15 oz. can mushroom pieces & stems 2oz. Kraft Sweet & Sour Sauce 2-16 oz. containers sour cream 4 tbs. minced onions lb. Velveeta cheese 2 large cans chopped green chilies 1 chopped onions, sauteed 4 tsp. chili powder 1 tsp. garlie sait 1 tsp. garlic salt sprinkle of soy sauce Stir together all ingredients in wok or frying pan until chicken is done. Broccoli, cabbage, cauliflower, carrots and any other vegetables you like to use. Chop then up, stir fry, separate from chicken, with sprinkle 1 tsp. garlic salt dash of black pepper 2 tsp. paprika 24 ct. corn tortillas, softened Enchiladas: Debone chicken and chop well into 1 1/2 tsp. garlic salt a very large pan (dutch oven) add 21 tsp. Cayenne pepper dash black pepper soups, mushrooms, 1 1/2 containers sour cream, 1 can green chilies, sauteed onion, 2 tsps. chili powder, garlic Pepper and Onion Chicken (or salt, black pepper and 1 tsp. paprika. Put over low to medium heat until thoroughly heated. Beef) 1 lb. boneless chicken breast (chopped) 1 medium onion, chopped Sauce: In 2 qt. saucepan or microwave dish, add 1/2 container of sour cream, bell pepper, chopped velveeta cheese, 1 can green chilies, 2 tsp. chili powder, 1 tsp. paprika. Heat until cheese is melted. If sauc eis to othick, add small amount of mlk until

4 oz. fresh mushrooms fresh peeled tomato 3 cups cooked rice

4 tbs. soy sauce

tsp. garlic salt tsp. black pepper tbs. oil

Mix together in wok or large skillet chicken, onion, pepper, mushrooms, oil, soysauce, garlic salt and pepper. Sur over medium heat until chicken is

done. Add tomato, continue to cook

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cake pans with fols down after all

enchiladas are in place. Spread a thin

of cheese mixture across enchiladas

until they are covered. Bake at 350 for

by acquiring an FmHA rural housing

loan. This public meeting will be

held in Clarksville at the Chamber of

Commerce building on Friday, March 26, 1993, at 7:30 p.m.

"Any individual or groups wish-

ing to find out more about FmHA

rural housing loans to purchase, build,

or repair a house are encouraged to

For further information, you may

call the FmHA County Office at 1-

at 1608-A East Main, Clarksville,

Card of Thanks

To everyone at Huddleston Gro-

cery-Rosie, Sharon, Adam. Teri, Joy.,

Vance, Micheal, Jason, Norma, Vicki,

Vickie, and Gary. Thank you for

being good friends to me for the last

two years. I really do appreciate it.

Jana Hawkins

attend," says Mr. Stroud.

TX.

about 5-10 minutes.

"Red River County does have a housing shortage," said Frank B. Stroud, County Supervisor of the Farmers Home Administration. "Yet at the same time," according to Stroud, "there is a housing surplus in some areas.

"This paradox can possibly be explained by the lack of adequate information and misconceptions, that the general public has concerning the various Rural Housing programs conducted by the Farmers Home Administration," prompted Stoud.

This brings us to the purpose of 903-427-5646, or come by our office this news article. There will be a public meeting to explain fully the

Card of Thanks

Thanks to everyone for prayers, calls, cards, and visits while I was in the hospital, and since I've returned home. May the Lord bless each of you.

Roberta Watts

Meredith July 13, 1906 in Electra. She had lived in Rusk for 17 years and was a member of the Church of Christ. She married William (Bill) McKinley McGill on September 8, requirements to prove up a housing 1923. loan and the responsibility incurred

Surviving are four sons, Leonard McGill of Groves, Wayne McGill of Rusk, Billy Ray McGill of New Orleans, LA and Alton McGill of Pasadena; two sisters, Zelma Goff of Rusk and Alice Bennett of Searcy; seven grandchildren and several greatgrandchildren.

Alma Lee Jones **Dies March 25**

Alma Lee Jones, 71, of Sardus, AR died at her home Thursday, March 18. Services were Friday with burial in the McPearson Cemetery.

Survivors include her husband, Lee Jones of Sardus; two sons, CHarles Ed of Benton and Jimmy Lee of Sardus; one daughtger, Alma Marie Deamon of Sardus; and one sister of St. Louis, MO.

Relatives attending from the Talco area were Mrs. Ophelia Hood, Cliff and Jean Jones, Johnny and Daphne Hood, Felicia Hintz and Pat Logan. From Winnsboro were Howard and Charlene Wesson, Billy Joe and Bobbie Lee Jones and Debra Jones and Duck and Janice Jones from Grapevine.

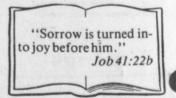
Cora Lee Neal Cook, 88 of Angleton died Tuesday, March 2.

Graveside services were conducted at 1:00 p.m. Thursday, March 4 at the Forest Park East Cemetery, Harris County with the Rev. James O'Connor officiating.

Mrs. Cook was born June 27, 1904 in Normangee, Leon County, Texas. She was the daughter of L. Jesse Pipkin and Hattie Mize Pipkin. She married Robert L. Neal in 1913. He died May 18, 1938. She later married Henry Cook who died in 1986.

She is survived by a son, Robert L. Neal, Sr. of Dry Creek, LA; thr daughters, Ruby Kerr of Dallas, Alma Holbert of Paris and Joyce Marie Verran of Bells; eighteen grandchildren; several great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; and one sister, Mattie Richey of Madisonville. She was preceded in death by a daughter, Isabel Neal Webb; two infant sons and a grandson, Jimmy Webb.

Bearers were grandsons, Bobby Neal, Kerry and Kevin Kerr and Michael Leonard.





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Mathews.

Kelsey, after the loss of their sister

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Exchange Vows

Alan Dabbs were married on Saturday, March 20, 1993 at 7:00 p.m. at the Church of Nazarene in Blossom with the Rev. William Smith officiating. The couple exchanged wedding vows in a traditional double-ring

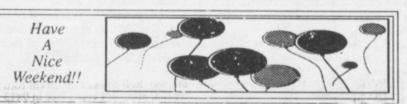
Jamie Irwin of Stephenville, sister of the bride, served as Maid of Honor, while Sheila Sanders of Paris and Cari Irwin of Blossom, sister of the bride, served as bridesmaids.

Shawn Woodall of Fulbright

Nation.

Staff hosted a miscellaneous shower Friday night, March 5 at the Day Care Center in Paris.

The groom is the son of the late James Robert Dabbs and Mr. and Mrs. B.D. Nation of Blossom.







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Prairiland School Menu Week of March 29 <u>Monday</u>

Burritos Chili/cheese Mexican beans Spanish rice Cake Milk Tuesday Spaghetti/beef Com French fries Fruit Milk Wednesday Meat loaf Potatoes Green peas Gravy Rolls Milk Thursday Ravioli Sliced potatoes Blackeyed peas Jello Milk Friday Hot dogs Chili/cheese Chips Cookies Pork and beans Milk

Arts & Crafts Space Will Be Only \$5 At Chili Cookoff

Just how often does one see a price rollback? Not too often, but one has happened for those wishing to sell their arts and crafts at the Deport Chili Cookoof April 10th. The fee in the past has been \$15, but

has been dropped to only \$5! There will be no commission or other

fees, either.

Anyone wishing to reserve a space can contact Nanalee Nichols at the Deport Times, 652-4205 or at home at 652-5823.



Friends were sorry to learn of the death of Weldon George of Paris. He was a former resident of Cunningham and a graduate of Cunningham High School. He married Lleen Hume. Sympathy is extended to the family.

Robert Lee Powers of Amarillo and grandson, Miles Leak of Saginaw, and Mr. & Mrs. Sam Hoover of Denison spent Tuesday night with Mr. & Mrs. Roy Powers. Other visitors were Mr. & Mrs. Rab Skidmore of Deport, Christene Kelley of Reno, and Mr. & Mrs. Tucker Platt.

Galen Oats and granddaughters Stephanie and Jennifer Oats of Red Oak visited Mr. & Mrs. Billy Joe Oats Saturday afternoon. Riley Lynn was admitted to the St.

Joseph's Hospital and Health Care Center Wednesday. Ann Gaylord of Baytown spent from Tuesday until Thursday with

Velma Cox. They spent Wednesday with Dora Hester of Paris. Rev. Edwin and Mrs. Davis of Elm Grove, La., spent the weekend with

Lucy Fowler. Mr. & Mrs. Ira Norman of Edmond, Okla., Mr. & Mrs. J. D. Polk of Paris, Derrell Roddy of Electra, Melody Holland and a friend and son of Taylortown, Michael Madewell of Blossom, Zarinska Musgrove of Louisville, Bocky Norman of Deport, Mr. & Mrs. Brad Watson and family of Pattonville, Mr. & Mrs. Odis Watson, Nelta Musgrove, Brandon Oats, Deana Gibson and Dillon and Bruce Watson enjoyed a fish fry in the home of Mr. & Mrs. Dean Watson Saturday night.

Clyde Bankhead underwent surgery in the St. Joseph's Hospital and Health Center Monday.

Mr. & Mrs. Jerald Hulett left Friday morning for Livingston, Alabama, to visit his sister, Roslain Baker. They spent the past week visiting Mr. & Mrs. Clyde Slusher.

Mr. & Mrs. Člyde Slusher and Mr. & Mrs. Jerald Hulett visited Harry Slusher and other residents at Cherry Street Annex last week.

Mr. & Mrs. Jerald Hulett of Lubbock and Mr. & Mrs. Clyde Slusher visited Mrs. Ruby Legate of Bogata Wednesday afternoon. Milow Hume and Mickey Anderson were in Bonham Monday for Milow's doctor's appointment.

Cunningham News

By Berniece Wyatt

Mr. & Mrs. Buddy Holbert of Lubbock are here to attend her father,Clyde Bankhead, who had surgery Monday.

Sue Pynes of Roxton was a visitor at the Baptist Church Sunday and visited Loretta Pynes. They had lunch at the Catfish King.

Geneva Norwood is employed as hostess at the Fishfry on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights.

Rev. & Mrs. Edwin Davis of Elm Grove, La., and Lucy Fowler visited Johnnie Warren in the Deport Nursing Home Saturday.

Kathy Williams of Austin and Rev. and Mrs. W. James Anderson of Mt. Vernon visited Mr. & Mrs. Joe Bailey Williams Saturday.

Delores Norwood of Katy and Theresa Mowrey and Ketty of Bogata and Pam and Haley Norwood visited Mr. & Mrs. Almer Norwood Sunday afternoon.

Dorothy Dean Ogden and Lorette Pynes visited Mr. & Mrs. Jamie Bazhaw Thursday.

Dorothy Dean Ögden of Longview spent from Wednesday until Saturday with Lorette Pynes.

Charles Black and a friend from Paris visited Delsa Wilson Saturday afternoon.

Mr. & Mrs. James Norwood went to Dallas Sunday to pick up Mendy Cole and Lacie, who were returning from a week's visit with her husband, Todd Cole, who is employed in Barton, England.

Mr. & Mrs. Ira Norman of Edmond, Okla., Tim Brasher of Clardy, Michael Madewell of Blossom, Zarinska Musgrove of Louisville, Mr. & Mrs. Odis Watson, Mr. & Mrs. Stacy Musgrove, Stony asnd Charity, and Jarvis Watson had lunch with Mr. & Mrs. Johnny Musgrove Sunday. Geneva Norwood visited in the afternoon.

Jo Gordon of Ft. Worth is visiting her mother, Mrs. Delphia Malone.

Mr. & Mrs. Clyde Slusher visited Mrs. Virgie Temple and Mrs. Ruby Smith at Cherry Street Manor Sunday afternoon. Mr. & Mrs. Clyde Slusher visited with the Clyde Bankhead family at St. Joseph's Hospital Sunday afternoon. Mr. Bankhead was to undergo surgery Monday morning. Mr. & Mrs. Buddie Holbert of Lubbock are here to be with her family.

Dean Black of Paris visited Delsa Wilson Sunday.

Mr. & Mrs. Stacy Musgrove, Stony and Charity, and Mr. & Mrs. Scotty Norwood, Spur and Amber attended a birthday supper Saturday night honoring Mrs. Laura Miller of Blossom and Amber Norwood.

Mr. & Mrs. Norman Sain, Dorothy Green, Carol Green and Mrs. Ray Pitman of Mt. Pleasant, Francis Thomas of Johntown attended funeral services for Norma Fae Oliver in Dallas Monday. They also visited Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Knowles of Kaufman.

Lillian King spent from Wednesday until Friday with Mr. & Mrs. Tommy Owen of Rosalie.

Mr. & Mrs. Billy R. Oats, Brandon and Georjeana, Mr. & Mrs. Frankie Norwood, Logan and Laton, and Mr. & Mrs. Scotty Norwood, Spur and Amber had Sunday lunch and supper with Geneva Norwood.

Stasha Hume spent Monday with Mr. & Mrs. Art McDowell of Paris. Danny Norwood and Kenny of Paris had lunch with Mr. & Mrs. Almer Norwood Sunday. Neva Jean Oats and Geneva Norwood visited in the afternoon.

Andrew Bazhaw of Gilmer spent Friday night with Lorette Pynes.

Virginia Bell of Paris had supper with Mr. & Mrs. Norman Sain Thursday night.

Mr. & Mrs. Murry Jackson and Janee of Paris, Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Palmer and family of Bogata, and Mr. & Mrs. Dwayne Drinnon and family had Sunday dinner with Jane O'Neal.

Darold Norwood of Paris had lunch with Mr. & Mrs. Almer Norwood-Thursday.

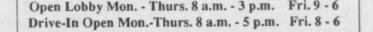
Tim Brasher of Clardy, Michael Madewell of Blossom, Mr. & Mrs. Odis Watson, and Jarvis Watson had Sunday night supper with Mr. & Mrs. Johnny Musgrove.

The Kill Kare Klub met March 19 gave the treasu

gave the treasurer's report.

Three tables of 42 were arranged. High score for members was tied with Lorene Isom and Blondie Rogers. Imogene Clark was high score for guests. A dessert plate was served. Margaret Crawford will be the hostess when the Kill Kare Klub meets on April 2.

Thursday, March 25, 1993





Samantha Rae is the name of the daughter born to Mr. and Mrs. Larry Lindsey (she is the former Sheila Cavender) on Saturday, March 20 at Arlington Memorial Hospital. She weighed 6 lbs. 2 ozs. and was 20 1/2 inches long.

BIRTHS

WHOLESALE TO

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Gene Cavender and Mr. and Mrs. Jess Lindsey of Arlington.

Great-grandparents are Loyd Cavender of Deport and Rosa Hatton of Ranger Laytner Ty is the name given the son born February 23 at McCuistion Hospital to Heath and Missy Kennedy of Reno. Grandparents are Bobby and Shelby Kennedy of Cunningham, Jerry and Gaynell Ottinger of Paris and Mickey York of Commerce. Great-grandparents are Taylor Ladd of Cunningham, the late Paul and Geneva Thrasher and the late Robbie and Elmer York. Stepgreat grandparents are Ruth and Walton Ottinger of Talco. with three guests, Imogene Clark, Mildred King and Lucille Kunkel. Margaret Crawford, president, presided.

with Mrs. Arlene Burks of Clarksville

Nine members were present, along

as hostess.

Blondie Rogers, secretary, read the minutes of the previous meeting and



There are a half a million more automobiles in Los Angeles than there are people.





Thursday, March 25, 1993



Justin Withers,

#1 In State Competition



ESSAY WINNER-Eric St. John holds a check for \$50.00 he received on March 16 for winning third place in an essay contest. The competition was open to students from the entire county and was sponsored by the VFW. (Staff Photo by Mrs. Tyson)

Prairiland Student Is #1 In State Competition

What started as an idea in May of in the state of Texas who compete for 1992 became a goal and that dream became a reality for Prairiland junior, Justin Withers of Blossom.

On Friday evening, March 6, before a standing room only crowd of 600+ at the Texas Club Calf Association Awards Banquet, Justin was honored as the #1 Simmentla exhibitor in the state of Texas. The prestigious event was held at the AstroWorld Sheraton in Houston during the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo.

Justin's 1,373 points surpassed second place by over 500 points to win the Simmentla breed by more points than any other breed in the association. Justin's points also earned him fifth place over all breeds. There are over 2,500 school age exhibitors

these honors. Justin spends most of his weekends at livestock shows somewhere

in the state. These shows have provided him with many friends and several job opportunities and offers of college scholarships.

Justin is active in 4-H where he was recently awarded the Gold Star Award for excellence in 4-H work. He belongs to the Prairiland FFA, whee he serves as Vice-president. He is active in the Texas Simmental/ Simbrah Association, in which he is the Eastern Regional Director. He has participated in the National Simmental Futurity for four years and is a member of the National Champion team. He is ranked 14th nationally in Showmanship and Public Speaking.



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APRIL 5 M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 21 25 26 27 28 29 30	Prairiland Calendar of Events Week of March 29
larch Ionday, 29 0 1 pril	Wolfe City Golf Tournament, Boys Softball at Fannindel, 5:00 IV Baseball, Mt. Vernon, There, 4:30 Wolfe City Golf Tournament, Girls Physics Trip Youth for Christ, 7:50, Library Land Judging Contest Key Club Meeting, 7:50 a.m.

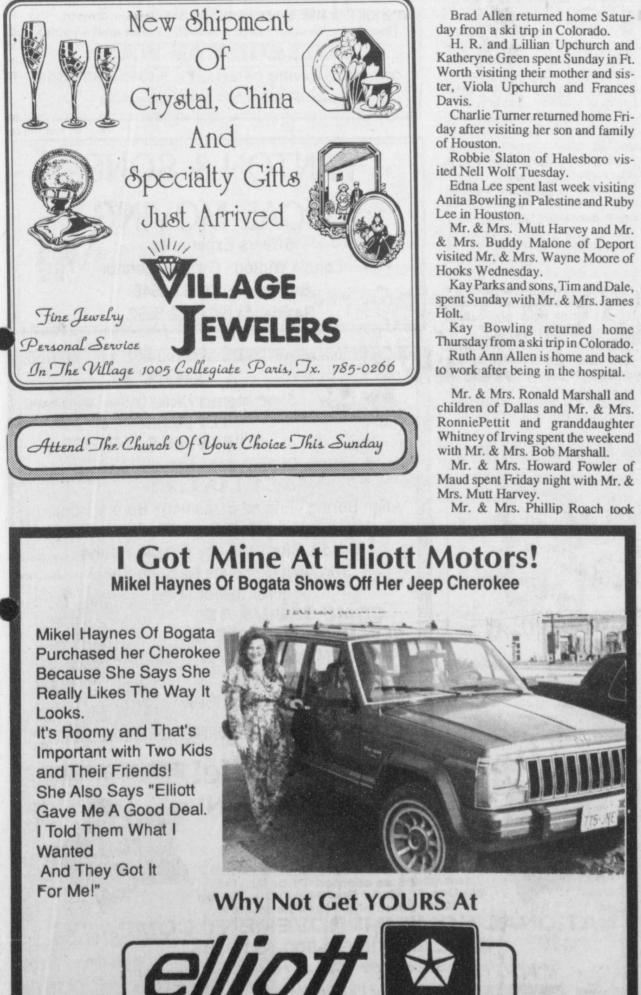
Monday, 29

March

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April

	JV Baseball, Mt. Vernon Tournament
2	Tennis, ETSU
	Baseball at Hugo, 4:40
3	Softball, Double Header, Prairiland vs. Ector, Here, 1 p.mOne-Act Play, PJC, 5:00
	Prairiland Livestock Show
	Boys Track, Hawthorne



Brad Allen returned home Satur- their granddaughter, Shyanne

Milton News

By Mattylu Upchurch

ing to her home in La.

Katheryne Green spent Wednes-

Roberts, to Pittsburg Thursday to visit her grandmother there before return-

day after visiting her son and family

Anita Bowling in Palestine and Ruby

Mr. & Mrs. Mutt Harvey and Mr. & Mrs. Buddy Malone of Deport visited Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Moore of

Kay Parks and sons, Tim and Dale, spent Sunday with Mr. & Mrs. James

Kay Bowling returned home Thursday from a ski trip in Colorado. Ruth Ann Allen is home and back

Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Marshall and children of Dallas and Mr. & Mrs. RonniePettit and granddaughter Whitney of Irving spent the weekend

Mr. & Mrs. Howard Fowler of Maud spent Friday night with Mr. &

Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Roach took

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day and Thursday with Sharon Hatcher of Paris.

The family of Mr. & Mrs. Geo. Wolf enjoyed a hamburger supper at their home Thursday night and celebrated their daughter Lyn's birthday.

Vickie Reeves and Tony Ellis visited Ruby Lee of Houston over the weekend.

Kim Allen returned home in Ganado Thursday after visiting her parents, Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Hall.







Thursday, March 25, 1993



Melanie and Rickey Moore of Clarksville had supper Friday with T.J. and Margaret Fowler.

Bob, Linda, Jon and Laura Weddle of Paris were visitors of Jerry and Dorothy Richey Friday night. Monica Brumley spent Friday night with Susan Richey.

Susan Richey returned to Tarleton Sunday after spending spring break with Jerry and Dorothy Richey.

Mike Merritt and Kent Richey had dinner with Jerry and Dorothy Richey last week.

Saturday visitors of T.J. and Mararet Fowler were Jim and Ann Gatlin of Duncanville and Nell Higdon. Mike, Missy and Jake Merritt had

lunch Sunday with Marise Fontenot, Barbara Young and Darrin.

Jake Merritt spent Thursday night with James and Joyce Merritt.

Thursday. Missy Merritt attended a Homemakers Extension Club meeting in Louisiana whil she was there visiting

family and friends. Jake Merritt spent a couple of days with his grandfather, Jon Young in

Lake Charles, LA during spring break. Jerry and Dorothy Richey went shopping in Ft. Worth on Wednesday and had lunch with Wayne Gentry. Mike, Missy and Jake Merritt had dinner with Jerry and Dorothy

Richey on Monday night.

Lamar County Sheriff

& Precinct 1&4 Constable Report

Melissa Phillips and Anna Beth Allen visited with Marise Fontenot, Missy Merritt and Barbara Young on

Eunace Ervin, Willie Mae Spears, Dorthea McDowra, Floy Sparks, Mae Storm, Corene Taylor, Thelma Shelby, Mauna Kidd, Mavis Sowards and Mary Westbrook. All had a nice time

Mrs. Ann Lane and Jennifer and grandson from The Colony visited Mr. and Mrs. T. Betterton Wednesday.

Corene Taylor was honored on her

birthday Wednesday, March 17 in

the gazebo. Cake and coffee was

served to Philis and Kenneth Gifford,

Fair Shea Gifford, Lucille Morgan,

Alpha Barnard, Artie Westbrook,

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Harold Allen and family of Milton visited Mrs. Mamie Kennedy Sunday. Also Robert and Kay Kennedy of Cuthand visited Mrs. Kennedy.

Deport Housing

Authority News

By Mary Westbrook 652-3605

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Elnora Ratliff of Paris visited Alpha Barnard Sunday.

Betty Jackson of Paris visited Carrie Bennett Friday.

Mildred Wright had supper with her son and family Saturday, Stacy Wright also visited her Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Ladd visited relatives in Monroe and Shreveport, LA part of last week.

Theft Of Pickup Is Crime Of Week

Sometime between 2:30 p.m. and midnight on Wednesday, February 24th, unknown suspects stole a 1991 G.M.C. pickup from the west side parking lot of the L. P. McCuistion Hospital. The pickup was maroon in color and had an extended cab. The vehicle has a dent in the passenger door and the driver's window may be broken when the theft occurred. This pickup was bearing Texas tag number 3574-ZB, and it was valued at over \$17,000.00. This vehicle is still miss-

If you have any information on this or any other felony crime, please call Crime Stoppers. If Crime Stoppers receives that information by March 29th, and an arrest and indictment are made of those persons responsible, Crime Stoppers will pay a cash reward of up to \$1,000.00. 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)

March 18: Sheriff's Department Blossom. responded to report of shots being fired in Blossom.

Sheriff's Department took report of theft over \$750.00 in Powderly. March 19: Sheriff's Department

responded to family violence in Deport.

report of telephone harsassment in

ville

Sheriff's Department responded to mates.

Have You Had Your

Deport. March 21: Sheriff's Department responded to theft of hay at Patton-

Lamar County Jail held 157 in-

March 20: Sheriff's Department

responded to criminal trespass in

Vegetables Today?

By Virginia Brock Country Extension Agent Home Economics

The United States Department of Agriculture's Food Guide Pyramid recommends eating three to five servings of vegetables daily. Despite these recommendations, vegetables seem to have disappeared from the daily diets of many people. For some unknown reason, they think vegetables are boring and yucky. This misconception, and that's exactly what it is, is beginning to change. Vegetables are becoming an important part of a balanced diet. Vegetables come in many colors, shapes, sizes, forms, flavors and textures. They contribute interest and variety to meals in countless ways. They are fun to cook and to eat. Their versatility makes them an asset in most meals. Vegetables can be eaten in many forms--raw, canned, frozen, or dried. They can be eaten in sandwiches, salads, soups and main dishes. Our enjoyment of vegetables is limited only to our ability to serve them in interesting ways. We can pick and choose from an endless number of different and unusual vegetables. Vegetables score very high nutritionally. They contain a variety of vitamins, minerals and fiber. For example, the dark green leafy vegetables are a good source of iron and calcium. Minerals such as sodium, magnesium, potassium, iodine, calcium, copper, molybdenum and manganese are also present in varying amounts in many vegetables.

leafy vegetables (like kale and collards) and tomatoes. Others include asparagus tips. Brussels sprouts, raw cabbage, garden cress, kale, kolhrobi, mustard greens, Irish and sweet potatoes (cooked in their jackets), spinach, tomato juice and turnip greens. Since we get vegetables from all over the world, we are almost certain to get the necessary amounts of these minerals if we eat the recommended number of servings, which is 3-5 per

Vitamin C is needed for healthy gums and body tissues. Our diet should provide about 60 milligrams of vitamin C per day. Deep green and deep yellow vegetables are good sources of vitamin C and beta carotene. Examples include broccoli, carrots, chard, collards, cress, kale, pumpkin, spinach, sweet potatoes, winter squash, turnip greens and other dark greens. Vitamin A helps you maintain good vision and is essential for the proper functioning of many body organs. Remember, vegetables are an important part of a balanced diet and can be a delicious way to get the nutrients you need without adding a lot of extra calories--unless, of course, you add fat or other high-calorie seasonings during cooking. Educational programs conducted by the Texas Agricultural Extension Service serve people of all ages regardless of socio-economic level, race, color, sex, religion, handicap or national origin.



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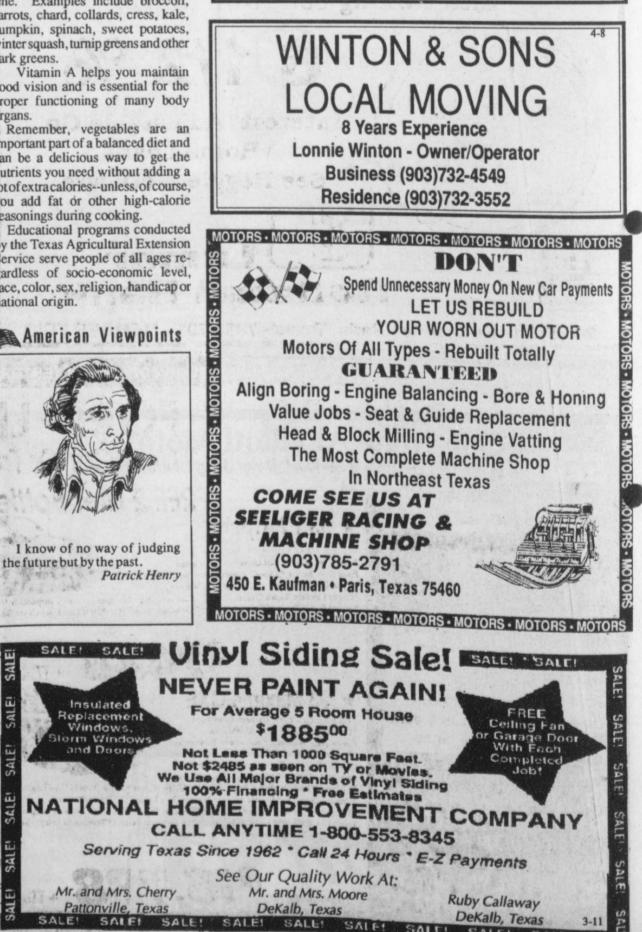
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Teach your

A number of vegetables contain significant amounts of vitamin C. Examples include broccoli, sweet green and red peppers, and green

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Thursday, March 25, 1993

Sorting Fact From Fiction: The School Finance Amendments

to the polls to vote on a series of proposed constitutional amendments that could change the ways Texas finances its public schools. Understanding what those amendments entail, what they do and don't do, is key to explaining the proposed amendments to the public. The following are some commonly asked questions about the proposed constitutional amendments and the May 1 ballot

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"How will the 'unfunded mandates' proposition be worded?

During House floor debate on SJR 7, a section was added to the amendment that would require the state to help pay for mandates it places on local school districts. This section will appear as a separate proposition on the May 1 ballot and will be worded as follows:

"The constitutional amendment exempting a school district from the obligation to comply with unfunded state educational mandates.

"What does the unfunded mandate proposition do?

The proposed amendment does the following:

*Prohibits the state from requiring school districts to comply with "an obligation requiring expenditure of school district funds" unless the obligation is fully funded.

*Allows the state to get around funding certain state educational mandates if the mandate is 1) imposed in compliance with the state constitution or federal law or 2) enicted by at least two-thirds majority of members of both the Texas House and Senate.

*Requires the Legislature to set up a procedure for determining whether an obligation is fully funded. In the absence of such a procedure, the state comptroller (at the request of a local school board) must determine

1993.

In roughly 60 days Texans will go Only state educational mandates enacted after December 31, 1993 would be affected.

> "Is the unfundede mandates proposition really a way to retreat from needeed education reforms?'

No. The unfunded mandates proposition is nothing more than a mechanism to help ensure that the state takes a step toward adequately funding Texas' public educatio system.

By requiring the state to help share in the cost of the mandates it places on local school districts and property taxpayers, Texans will force state lawmakers to e examine the merits of the mandates they are requiring and help share in the cost of implementing them. If the Legislature determines an educational mandate must be enacted but it does not have the funds to do so, it still has the option of enacting the requirement through a two-thirds vote.

Of course, federal requirements, such as those concernin special education and environment hazards such as asbestos, cannot be limited under this proposition.

"How will the 'school facilities bonds' proposition be worded?"

The proposed amendment to help finance school facilities was passed in the Texas Legislature as SJR4 on February 22 and was sponsored by Senator Teel Bivins of Amarilo. The Bivins' bond proposal, as it has been called, will be worded on teh May 1 ballot as follows:

"The constitutional amendment authorizing the issuance of \$750 million in state general obligations or revenue bonds to assist school districts in partially financin facilities, authorizing the state to forgive payments of loans made to a school district for partially financing facilities, and repealing the authorization for \$750 million in state revenue bonds guaranteed by the Permanent Schol

the state to do the following:

for the purpose of maing loans to or

those facilities.

*Permits the state to forgive payment of principal and interest on all or part of a loan made to a school district to partially finance an instructional facility.

"What is TASB's view of the three proposed amendments?

TASB supports all three propositiosn and urges school board mem-

bers, administrators and the public to vote "yes" for all thre proposals on the May 1 ballot.

"Why does TASB support the equalization or 'recapture' proposition?

TASB supports the equalization amendment for the following rea-

*Passage of the proposition will help equalize Texas' school funding system by helping to ensure that all Texas' school children, whatever part of the state they may live in, have equal access to a public education.

*Passage of the equalization amendment would bring Texas one step closer toward finally solving the school finance equity crisis, which has raged in this state for 20 years.

*Approval of the amendment would help stabilize Texas' school funding system.

*The proposal helps to ensure a legislative, rather than judicial, solution to our school finance equity crisis and leaves thefinal say over that proposed solution in the hands of Texas voters and their elected representatives rather than the court.

*The language of the amendment is in line with language drafted and supported by the School Finance Working Group, of which TASB is a primary member.

*The proposition puts a limit or cap on how much money that state can redistribute in local property taxes (2.75% of total state and local require as the local fund assignment

*The amendment does not diminish the high equity standard estab-

and redistribute funds. Under the proposition, funds could be recaptured and redistributed either by a county system, a statewide system or a combination of the two.

*Passage of the proposition helps to avoid harsher solutions to the school finance equity crisis, such as forced consolidation of accredited school districts and/or caps on local school district spending.

*The amendment only concerns equity in school finance and is not cluttered with unrelated issues such as local voter approval of tax rate increases and school vouchers.



100 YEARS OLD !! Lizzie Wright, resident of Deport Nursing Home will be 100 years old on March 23. Happy Birthday, Lizzie!!







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Genealogical Society Workshop March 29

The Red River Genealogical Society will hold a workshop on March 29, 1993, at the First United Methodist Church on Faucett Street in Blossom. The cost is \$10.00. The time is from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Mr. Ray Gooldy will present the workshop. Mr. & Mrs. Gooldy are the owners of Ye Olde Genealogie

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Shoppe in Indianapolis, Indiana. Mr. Gooldy is a graduate of the National Archives Institute on Genealogical Research and the Kentucky State Archives Institute on Genealogical Research.

Mr. Gooldy will present Pennsylvania Research, "How to find your

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friend and/or ancestor in Pennsylvania," and Kentucky Research, "Searching Your Hoosier Heritage."

Mr. Gooldy will have a large selection of genealogical books, maps and charts on all phases of genealogical research for sale.

On Hwy. 82 from Clarksville, turn left at the produce shed, and from Paris, turn right at the produce shed. If registered before March 20, include five surnames with states and year to be included in the handout to each workshop attendant.

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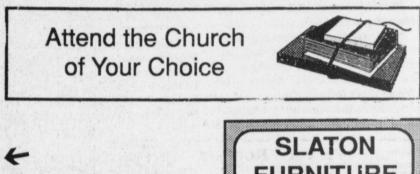
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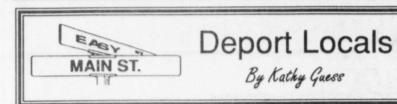
MRS. GRAVES' seventh period class was treated to a small equipment demonstration March 11 by Pat Lucas, C.H.E. with Texas-New Mexico Power Company. (Staff Photo by Mrs. Tyson)



JOYFUL SOUND-The Joyful Sound from the First Assembly of God Church in Paris sang for Deport Nursing Home residents recently. Pictured are, left to right, standing: Joyce Lay, Virginia Wheeler and Ruth Wear. Seated: Faye Black, Frankie Archibald and Vicki Simpson. FURNITURE APPLIANCES CARPET & VINYL & FURNITURE East Side Square Clarksville, Texas 903-427-2005







Devin Wright of Grapevine spent Wednesday through Saturday with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Wright. Robbie took him home Saturday and they had lunch with his dad, Mike Wright.

Wayne and Floy Williams, her son



Mark and Karen Francis and John Mark, Karen's grandmother, Ruby Marion of Paris, Wayne's son Terry and Deborah Williams, Brandyn and Tanner of Dallas enjoyed spring break skiing in Red River, NM.

Mrs. Jack Ballard of Texarkana leaves Thursday for Virginia on school work.

Marlena and Jorden Ballard of Texarkana spent the weekend with the McGills of Daingerfield.

Lee Ann Graham and Mike Regan of Pattor ville were married Thursday

Mrs. Loveta McMurray has been ill this week.

Wayne Crafton is in St. Joseph's Hospital.

Velma Westbrook's granddaughter of Blossom will have a birthday party this weekend.

Clyde Bankhead and grandson entered St. Joseph's Hospital Monday morning. Clyde will have surgerv

Nelda Talley and son Matt visited he sister, Juanita Sparks, Wednesday and Thursday of last week.

Mrs. Bonnie Johnson attended the funeral of her brother-in-law in Sherman last week. Our deepest sympathy is extended to the family. Bryan and Marti Gifford, son and

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Thursday, March 25, 1993

daughter of Allen and Bobbie Gifford accompanied Marilyn Crawford and chilren Katha, Jesse and Chance to Steamboat, CO to ski during spring break. While there, Marilyn became another year older.

Virginia Farris and Dot Nichols went to DFW to get Laveda and Tyler Young of Tuscaloosa, AL and they went shopping. They will be visiting here for two weeks with her parents, Robert and Virginia Farris and Chad. Mrs. Jack (Modine) Lentz of Carrollton visited her mother, Mrs. Bonnie Johnson last week. Bobbi Gifford and Norma Calli-

coat attended a Women's Aglow re-

treat in Tyler over the weekend. Judy Whittle, Penny and Susan spent two days of spring break with their aunt Neeve of Lake Worth and visited other relatives.

Ryan Randle of Irving visited his grandmother, Reba Temple, Saturday and Sunday. He also visited friends in Paris.

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of Miss John Bell, a lifelong resident of Deport. She will be missed by all her family and friends.

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

Bill and Joyce Smith of Paris visited her mother, Mrs. Fay Elmore and he sister, Ruth Whittle and other relatives Sunday.

Mrs. John (Janet) Filkins was dismissed from the hospital Tuesday after surgery. We wish her a speedy recovery.

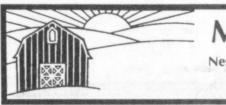
A group from the Presbytrerian Church enjoyed a ski trip t Red River, NM during spring break. Those attending were Eric and Debbie Pearson, Joe L. and Bonnie Singleton, David and Susan and a niece, Christy, Dick and Yvonne Gray and James, John and Larann Denison and Dru, Gary Nixon and Paul and Ronnie Grooms of Paris.

Brittany and Courtney Filkins spent Thursday through Monday with their grandmother, Ruth Whittle. We extend our deepest sympathy

to the family of Riley Lynn. David Glover of Dallas was here

to attend the funeral of his great-aunt, Miss John Bell.

Thomas and Nanalee Nichols visited with Sam and Margie Rice of Itasca this past weekend.



School Menu

> **Deport School** March 29 Monday

Breakfast: Cinnamon toast, peanut butter Juice, milk Lunch: Burrito Cheese sticks Com Fruit Dessert Milk

Tuesday Breakfast: Biscuits, scrambled eggs Juice, milk Lunch: Sloppy Joes Sliced potatoes Pinto beans Dessert Milk

Wednesday Breakfast: Cereal, trail mix Juice, milk Lunch:

Chicken nuggets Creamed potatoes Broccoli Hot rolls, syrup, butter Milk

Thursday Breakfast:

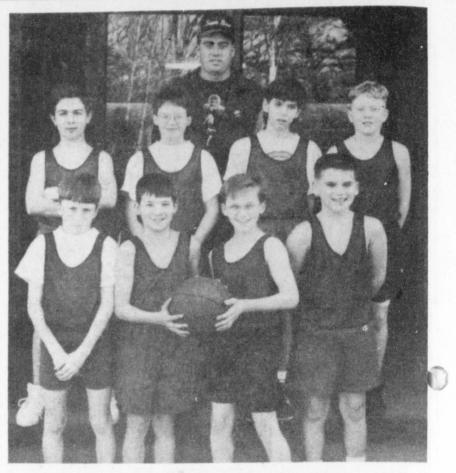
Friday

Meat and cheese nachos Milk

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Victoria and Sharilyn Getz visited Mrs. Alma Skidmore of Paris during the weekend. Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Ballard of Quitman visited Larry and Edith Woodall Sunday. Edith had surgery Friday at St. Joseph's Hospital in Paris. Mr. and Mrs. Andy Lewis Cleemnt ate supper with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Griffin of SumIner in Paris Saturday.

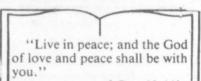


DEPORT LITTLE DRIBBLER 6th Grade Boys Team consists of back row, left to right: Chris Turner, Dustin Bangs, Daniel Sepulveda, Trey Gifford. Front row: Brandon Hudson, Cody Jones, Sammy Hamm, Dustin Allen and Coach Randy Huddleston.



DEPORT LITTLE DRIBBLER 6th Grade Girls Team consists of, back row: Coach Cindy Brown, Anna Thompson, Christy Sexton, Katie Mullins, Kelly Spears and Amy Talley. Front row: Kendra Hicks, Tonya Brown, Shasta Riley and Shanika Coleman.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Jenkins of Clardy, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Maddox of Paris, Joy Negron, Kenneth and Shawn Carl of New Braunsfels, Jamie Thomas and friend of Dallas attended St. Stephen's United Methodist Church. They all ate lunch with Mr. and Mrs Shawn Jenkins, Sarah and Wesley in Mesquite. They celebrated Bil Jenkins' birth with cake.



Robbie Nell Slaton of Halesboror, Hershell and Mary Stone visited Rant and Myrtle Stone Tuesday.

Buttered biscuits, oatmeal Juice, milk Lunch: Fish Pickles French fries Dessert

Milk

Breakfast: Pancakes, sausage Juice, milk Lunch: Ranch style beans Dessert

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Bethel Baptist Church had a hot dog supper and games for the youngsters Thursday night.

Colton Sanders spent the day with Judy Pomroy Thursday.

Amy Beth Ballard ate lunch with Mrs. Alma Skidmore on Tuesday. Nelda Harrell went snow skiing during spring break.

Amy Ballard returned to college station Sunday after visiting with friends and relatives. Mr. and Lionel Getz, Shanna of

Bobby and Betty Winters, Clayton and Kim Carlow and Kolbie returned home Friday morning from skiing in Colorado.

Lou Hanna and Mrs. Walker of Tyler visited Mr. and Mrs. A.G. Ballard Saturday.

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