

## Nichols Worth



By Nanalee Nichols

*'It's another year... but I don't think the end is near!'*

Everywhere one turns there is another article or program on the Y2K problem. Dire predictions of loss of electricity, loss of water, loss of this, that and the other are being thrown about with complete disregard to truth.

Yes, many computers have a problem with the coming millennium. But many people are working to fix this problem, too. I hold with the theory that when the problem has been identified, it can be solved.

Of course, I speak from the smug (?) position of a Mac user, whose creators saw further ahead and which doesn't have a 2000 problem. But, that doesn't mean most of the systems we come in contact with won't have that problem. I'll be in the same boat as everyone else if power and water fails. But I just don't think it will happen. I have more faith in the human brain than in computers...and the human brain is working to straighten this out.

At every millennium there have been dire predictions of famines, floods, fires, even the end of the world. People have given away all their worldly possessions and gone to the mountain tops to meet their maker. They have always had to come back down and pick up where they left off, and I think that's exactly what is going to happen this millennium too.

There are people selling what they have to build farmsteads with their own water and power supplies, moving their families out into the country and predicting the end of the world as we know it.

They may be right, but I'm not convinced. Oh, there will be some glitches, and those will have to be worked out. But the total disorder may people believe in won't happen, I don't think.

As everyone else is making prediction after prediction about world financial collapse, terror and chaos I'm going to take the liberty of making my own prediction.

2000 will be anti-climatic  
2000 will not result in economic chaos.

2000 will not be the end of the world.

In short, the year 2000 will be, in my opinion (and, by the way, many other people's opinion) a Non-Event.



Happy New Year

### Feb. 18 to be date of next four lane meeting

According to Rick Mackey of the Texas Department of Transportation the meeting pertaining to the development of four laneing U.S. 271 from Paris to Mt. Pleasant has been set for February 18.

The meeting will be at Rivercrest High School. A time will be announced soon.

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## Murder and controversy marks 1998

A look back to the front pages and inside of the papers published by Thunder Prairie Publishing reveals a busy year, marked with controversy and sadly punctuated with several murders.

January of the just-past year featured stories of unsolicited phone charges on local phone bills, plus active "slamming", (being changed from one long-distance service to another without permission).

Bogata imposed a curfew to cut down on acts of vandalism.

Volunteer Fire Departments and First Responders were kept busy during the entire year with many fires and medical emergencies and accidents. The drought kept them busier than usual with the huge number of grass fires.

In March the Regional Controlled Substance Apprehension Program working with the DEA and Drug Interdiction Task Force, made a large drug bust near Deport, resulting in the confiscation of 168 pounds of marijuana, about \$65,000 in cash and three vehicles.

Local elections saw a number of changes from incumbents, with active political races taking place. By June the effects of the drought of 1998 were beginning.

On June 18 the area was horrified and shocked by the murder of Arnetta Davis Rogers and the serious wounding of her husband, J.D. Rogers in Blossom. A fifteen year-old was arrested for the brutal killing, and was later in 1998 sentenced to life imprisonment with the possibility of parole in 40 years for the crime.

By July 2 a burn ban had been imposed on every county in the area. Hay shortages were apparent and crop failures were apparent.

By July 9 water conservation measures such as no watering of lawns, flowers and shrubs was in effect.

By August and September emergency hay "hot lines" were in operation in Texas, and cattle prices had dropped because people were forced to sell their animals due to lack of pasture.

Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission had an area-wide crackdown on minors in possession of alcohol.

On August Lucy Burruss, of Bogata and a well-known waitress at the Lonesome Dove Cafe was reported missing. By August 27 her body had been found in a wooded area north east of Johnson.

That same week the body of Donald Ray Sanford was found in a creek near Blossom. A 20 year old and an 18 year old were arrested. Mr. Sanford, age 38, had been beaten, and/or run over and then drowned. A number of lives were lost in car accidents during the year.

In December St. Joseph's Hospital announced the closing of their clinic in Deport. A citizen's group formed and began working on keeping the clinic open.

Detroit football team had an excellent year, heading into the playoffs.

Prairiland volleyball girls also headed into the playoffs.

Bogata boys basketball and football teams went into to playoff action also.

A possible vapor cloud from natural gas leakage near Talco resulted in a large area being evacuated. There were no injuries in the incident.

In March the Talco-Bogata school board announced a possibility of a one campus school system, sparking a huge controversy and calling a bond election for June 6th of that year. Large numbers of letters to the editor, ads and articles resulted. The election resulted in the bond issue passing by 10 votes. It was then contested and the matter is still not completely settled.

Dr. Nada of the St. Joseph's family clinic in Bogata resigned to move to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Dr. Emmite took his place.

Controversy over various ordinances passed in Bogata erupted and letters to the editor flew.

Forest Fires in the Maple Springs area near Talco had to be fought with helicopters as well as conventional methods, due to extreme fire conditions.

Detroit VFD acquired a truck from the Texas Forestry service in February. Detroit student Brett Shelby, Mayor Mike Farmer and Detroit School Counselor met with Former president George Bush in Houston as Detroit took part in the America's Promise program.



CHRISTMAS FROM THE HEART in Deport and Bogata again entertained people without a place to go on Christmas day. Many people celebrate Christmas on a weekend or with family on other day's other than the exact day, and take advantage of the time to join with others for a meal and visiting. (Staff photo by Mike Francies)

## People 'n Things

Pattonville Community Center and VFD dance will be Friday, January 8 at 8 p.m. Broadway Junction Band will play. Concessions available. Proceeds benefit the fire department.

Saturday, January 16 is VFD breakfast at Pattonville, 7 to 10 a.m. Eggs, bacon, sausage, gravy and pancakes. All you can eat, \$4.00.

## Headen in Operation Desert Fox

Navy Chief Petty Officer Mark D. Headen, a 1980 graduate of Prairiland High School at Pattonville, Texas, recently participated in Operation Desert Fox while assigned to the aircraft carrier USS Enterprise, currently deployed to the Mediterranean Sea and Arabian Gulf.

During the operation, U.S. Forces launched attacks on military installations in Iraq. The attacks were made after Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's refusal to allow U.N. teams to inspect Iraqi installations for weapons of mass destruction. President

Hussein constantly denied inspectors access to facilities which could house or manufacture such weapons in Iraq.

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Headen joined the Navy in August 1980.

## 30 die during holidays

According to initial reports, at least 30 people died in 28 fatal traffic crashes over the New Year Holiday period. The DPS had estimated 24 people could die during the 78 hour New Year Motorcade reporting period, which ran from 6 p.m. Thursday through midnight Sunday.

This brings the total for both holiday periods, Christmas and New Year to 60, which was exactly the number

predicted. Senior Trooper Milton R. Hall says "I sincerely wish we could have been very, very, wrong."

Of the thirty deaths reported: ten were pedestrians, one a bicyclist, forty percent were alcohol related, 67% were un-restrained, one of which was a six year old Houston boy.

The final count for the 18 county Tyler Highway Patrol district (north-east Texas) was four.

## Another phone scam to beware of

An E-mail has been circulating around about the possibility of yet another phone scam.

After we spoke with officials at a phone company we were able to verify that this "scam" is, indeed very possible.

Please read the following carefully and make sure you don't fall for this.

An individual received a telephone call from an individual identifying himself as a phone company Service Technician who was running a test on our telephone lines. He said that to complete the test we should touch nine (9) zero (0) and the pound sign # and hang up. The people were suspicious and refused to do this. They contacted the telephone company and were informed that by pushing 90# the caller would have been given access to the telephone. This allows them to place a long distance telephone call, with the charge appearing on your telephone bill!

While this sounds like an "Urban Legend" it is not. Two phone companies have verified that this can happen.

Do not press 90# for anyone. They can make long distances calls from anywhere that will be charged to your phone bill.

## TNMP blankets provide warmth during recent cold spell

Texas-New Mexico Power Company's program of annually distributing blankets to needy individuals couldn't have been timed better this year. Customer service coordinators throughout the company's service area handed out blankets just prior to last week's cold snap.

Some of the blankets this year went to churches, firemen, nursing homes and senior citizen centers. They also were distributed to community cen-

ters in low income areas, to low income housing projects, and to law enforcement officers and emergency medical technicians to use in responding to emergency situations.

This was the second year TNMP has distributed blankets. To learn more about this or any of the company's community service programs, contact the customer service coordinator at your local TNMP office.

## Carriers will be sorting tax packages

The new 1998 tax packages are being delivered this week by the Postal Service. More than two million tax packages will be mailed next week to north Texans.

New tax laws mean bigger tax credits for parents and some college stu-

dents. The child tax credit gives up to \$400 per child this year.

Some college students will get a \$1,500 credit.

IRS telephone hotline expands service to 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

## RR Genealogical Society to hold meeting

Everyone is invited to attend the regular monthly meeting of the Red River County Genealogical Society on Monday evening, January 11 at 7:30 in the Red River County Library.

This month's program will be a Question and Answer session. All those having questions dealing with family research are invited to come and participate in the session.

Lawrence and Sue Dale of Blossom are expected to be present. A short presentation of the progress of their Red River County cemetery and death record index is planned. Copies of their new publication, **Death Records Index Red River Co. Tx 1903-1973**, will be available for purchase.

All persons interested in researching their family history are encouraged to come and enjoy the program.

## Deport Girl Scouts selling cookies

Local girl scouts will be taking orders from Jan. 8th through 24th. There are eight varieties to choose from, and the price is only \$2.50 per box.

If you don't get asked by a girl scout and would like to buy cookies, call Carla at 652-4702.

## Deport Gift Subscriptions....

To Pat Nobles from Charles and Ann Nobles.

To Ollie Howe from Mervin and Colleen Slaton.

To Doris Parks from Shirley White.

To Preston and Ruby Mitchell from Brian Mitchell.

To Stella Davidson, Allene Claypool, Lawan and Carlos Newman and Linda Davidson from Nannie Smith.

To Tommy Gibson from Lorene Gibson.

To Sam Downs from Lorene Gibson.

To Ruth Whittle and Fay Elmore from Lee and Kathy Bice.

## Bereaved Parent Support Group to meet

For the January 11 meeting of the Bereaved Parent Support Group, members will discuss the "Twelve Steps of Grief". Grief is not a sign of weakness, but a tribute to the loved one who died and a healthy response to our heartache. Avoiding grief postpones recovery, clinging to grief prolongs pain. Night approach helps healing. Join the Bereaved Parent Support Group as they share and talk about shock, guilt, anger and other steps along the way.

The Bereaved Parents Support Group will meet Monday, January 11 at 7:00 p.m. in the TU Electric building which is located at 635 Clarksville Street. For those who are not from Paris, TU Electric is across from First Federal. It is between Clarkville and Lamar Avenue and can be entered from Lamar Avenue.



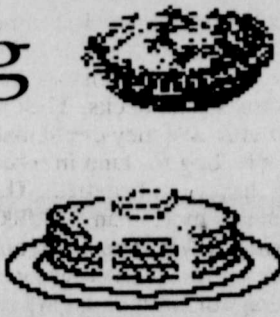
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# Country Cooking

By Liz Irwin

http://www.tnnet.com/tpp



Okay folks! Get ready....we are starting the New Year off with a bang.....or should I say alligator! That's right, I said alligator...this week's cook is from Deport and goes alligator hunting! He enjoys the sport so much that he and a good friend of his signs up for the lottery drawing that the Parks and Wildlife Department holds from time to time. He is Sheldon Lee of Deport.

Sheldon and his sweet wife Ann live out in the Milton community and have for the past 6 years. Ann is originally from Deport and brought Sheldon in from the coast where he was raised. They have been married for 39 years.

This soft spoken, very nice gentleman made the mistake of bringing some pictures of his last hunt into the office to show everyone. I immediately asked him what he did with the meat and he said, "Why, I cook it!" Never come into the Times office and say "cook" in front of me or you may be the next person featured in the "Cook's Corner". This is exactly what happened to Sheldon. Before he knew what was happening to him, I had him digging through his recipes for alligator dishes and he with his good nature let me feature him (maybe I twisted his arm just a little!) and these delicacies!

According to the Texas Parks and

Wildlife Department Alligator Program out of Port Arthur, alligator meat is very versatile and can be readily adapted to your favorite recipes for most other red meats and fish. The tail and jaw are generally considered the choice cuts of the meat. With a little extra preparation, the body and leg meat can be just as tasty.

Regardless of the meat you are using, all fat (including the yellowish fat between the layers) and sinew should be removed before preparing or freezing. Body and leg meat cuts work well for burgers, casseroles, ground meat, soup and stews. The jaw and tail meat work well for baked, cutlet recipes and fried foods. Alligator can prove to be a tasteful change for any of your favorite meat recipes.

The idea of protecting and harvesting the same species may seem a little contradictory. The American Alligator is a classic example of successfully protecting a species by managing it as a renewable natural resource. The "economic incentive" to manage a wildlife species like the alligator provides a strong argument for maintaining the natural wetlands and other species need in order to survive.

Thanks Sheldon for providing us with a new insight to the alligator

and thanks to our readers for giving us a great 1998! We are looking forward to an even better 1999! We will see you in the kitchen!

**Fried Alligator Nuggets**-do they serve these in the Port Arthur McDonald's....I wonder!

**Fried Alligator**-season, coat with corn meal and drop into hot oil to deep fry!

**Alligator Balls**--I make sausage balls each Christmas.....but never these kind!

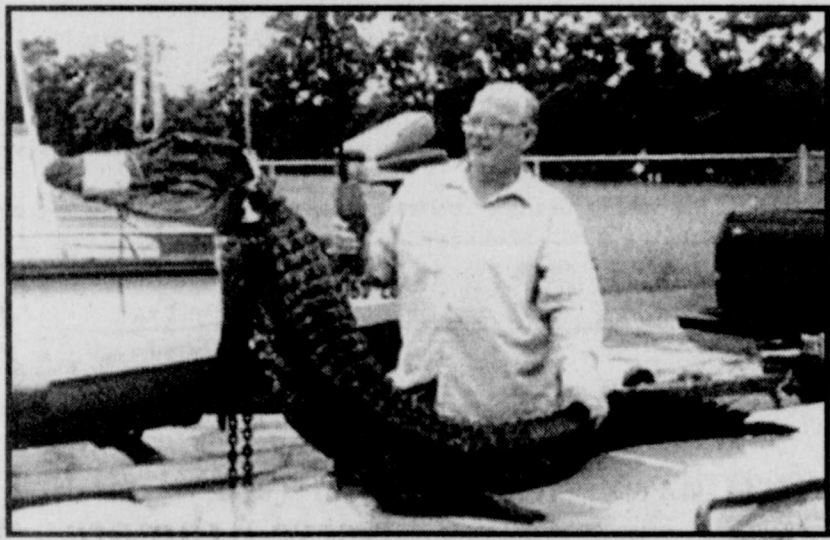
**Alligator Dip**-no sour cream needed for this hearty dip straight from the swamps!

**Alligator Stew**-try the other white meat! This should be good on a cold day in front of the television. . . but don't tell the kids what it is made from!!!!

**Barbecued Alligator Tails**-slice the tail tin and place on pit. Alligator meat is exceptionally tasty on the pit, but has to be tenderized.

**Alligator Creole**-a special tip for this recipe is to add cold water to thin, not hot! The more water you add, the lighter the roux. A pinch of shrimp powder is a tasty spice! Cooking time is also important as all alligator meat is tough. When adding meat to any stew, it should be marinated and well drained.

**Gator Sauce Piquant**-this recipe is good served over rice.



**COOK OF THE WEEK** this week is Sheldon Lee of the Milton Community. Sheldon is pictured here with one of the alligators that he caught back in the summer. He prepares the meat and freezes it for later use.

## Red River County Roots

This week's query is Joyce Humphrey, 216 North Oak Avenue, Hennessey, OK 73742. She is researching her maternal grandparents, Jesse Leon and Fannie (Smith) Wagstaff. Their daughter, Jessie was born in 1899 in Clarksville, according to one source. However, another source lists Hopkins County as her place of birth. The Wagstaff's other child was Lee Roy. Mrs. Humphrey would like to hear from anyone who knows anything about this family.

If you would like to write Mrs. Humphrey, please write her at the above address.

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

## Jean Moore dies December 30

Jean Moore, age 75 of Clarksville died Thursday, December 30 in Beaumont.

Services were held Saturday, January 2 at 1:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in Clarksville with the Rev. Mark Gossett and the Rev. James Brown officiating. Burial followed in Bogata Cemetery.

Mrs. Moore was born December 29, 1923 in Delta County, the daughter of Blufus and Ella Duke Cheshier. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Clarksville.

Her husband, John W. Moore, preceded her in death in 1992.

Surviving are a son, Harlon Moore of Clarksville; two daughters, Anita Pitt of Silsbee and Billie Gossett of Clarksville; a sister, Margie LaMaster of Bogata; eight grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Bearers were Alvin Kelley, Doak and Blake Thomas, Ray Bragg, Aaron Gossett, David Weaver, Corey Moore, Justin Thomas.

Arrangements were under the direction of Clarksville Funeral Home.

## Elvin M. Perdue dies July 22

Elvin M. (Bob) Perdue died July 22 in Dallas. Memorial services were held at the Byrum Funeral Home Chapel in Lancaster on July 25 at 10:00 a.m. with Rev. Albert Lee Green officiating. Graveside services were held at Woodland Cemetery in Detroit where interment was made.

Mr. Perdue was born June 6, 1930 in Addielou to the late James Marshall Perdue and Mary Emma Coble Perdue. He was a retired law enforcement officer, retiring from the Dallas County Sheriff's Department in 1985 and he operated a grocery store for several years after that.

He married Nina Sue Meers on June 27, 1950 in Norman, Ok and she survives at their home in Lancaster. He is also survived by one son, Bobby Glenn and a daughter-in-law Sandra Joyce and three grandchildren and one brother, William Perdue of Detroit. He was preceded in death by two brothers and three sisters.

Active bearers were members of the Dallas County Sheriff's Department Honor Guard, Honorary bearers were members of the Dallas County Sheriff's Department and members of the Decker Deputy Association.



Meeting time is 2nd and 4th Monday night at 7:00 p.m.

Post is open Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 3:00 p.m. until 12:00 midnight, and Saturday from 12:00 noon until 1:00 a.m.

Thursday at 7:00 p.m. is 42 playing time and Pool and shuffleboard are open all the time.

\* Thursday night, January 7 at 7:00 p.m. is the time for the 42 tournament. If you have won 1st or 2nd place since July 4, you are eligible to play January 7. Please plan to be there.

\* The Ladies Auxiliary will sponsor a cook out Saturday, January 9. The menu is barbecued meat, potato salad, beans, rice, dessert and other goodies. Serving starts at 1:00 p.m. We will have a special treat later in the day. Deanna will sing and play guitar for us. If you were lucky enough to hear her before you will surely want to be there. If you missed her, you are in for a treat. She will be visiting us from New Mexico.

\* Happy birthday to Sharon House, Joyce Proctor, Bill Farris and Deon.

## Card of Thanks

It's the little things that mean so much, a friendly smile, a comforting touch; a card, a call, a thoughtful deed, a helping hand in time of need.

Thank you for all your acts of kindness during our time of sorrow in the loss of Mom, Latane Roberts.

God bless you,  
Eloise & Otis Hall

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## Obituaries

### Jim Taylor Threadgill dies December 25

Jim Taylor Threadgill, age 74, formerly of Paris, died Friday, December 25 in Dallas.

Services were held Wednesday, December 30 at Restland Memorial Chapel in Dallas. Burial followed in Restland Memorial Chapel.

He was born August 31, 1924 to Mr. and Mrs. Marshall J. Threadgill. He attended the University of Texas at Arlington until induction into World War II where he served in the European Theatre. He returned home in 1945.

He married Irene Davis in December of 1946. The marriage lasted 52 years.

He was employed by American Airlines for 35 years. After his retirement, he had an insurance agency in Dallas until his retirement.

Surviving are his wife; two daughters, Phyllis Denman and Virginia Threadgill of Dallas; three sons, Ronald Threadgill of Richardson, Stephen Threadgill of Dallas and John Threadgill of Citrus Heights, CA; two granddaughters/two grandsons; sisters, Mrs. Sybil Harbison of Paris, Mrs. Emogene Lafon of Princeton and Ms. Larry Chance of Florien, LA; a brother, Marshall Threadgill, Jr. of Paris; and a number of nieces and nephews. A sister, Mrs. Wayman (Dorothy Ann) Epps preceded him in death in 1951.

He was a lifetime member of the Deport American Legion.

### Jim Nash dies in Allen, Texas

Jim Nash, Allen, Texas passed away December 25th at his home.

Funeral services were held on Monday, December 28th in Allen, Texas.

Jim was married to the former Vickie Mass, the daughter of Jane Reynolds Mass and was the granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. George Reynolds of Detroit. Jim was employed by the Plano Independent School District.

## Card of Thanks

Thank you for the great response to our requests for donations to our Christmas store, angel tree, entertainment, decorations, etc. Also the Christmas cards and letters mean so much. We do appreciate the support of our families, friends and our community.

You have shown the true spirit of Christmas. May God bless you all. Have a great New Year!

Bobbie Cawley  
Administrator

## Card Of Thanks

I would like to thank all my friends and family for your prayers, cards, flowers, calls, visits, food and every kindness shown my since my accident and extended convalescence.

May God Bless.  
Reba Mitchell

## Card of Thanks

The employees of the City of Bogata wish to thank each and every one of you who sent gifts, candy, cookies and cake helping each of us to have a Merry Christmas. We are thankful for each of you and are so proud to be a part of this wonderful community.

Thanks to the Churches, the individual citizens and the civic groups who contributed to the Bogata Christmas Baskets this year.

Whether you donated food, helped put the baskets together, donated money or just offered moral support, we appreciate you. A special thanks to the students who collected canned goods. This was a worthy project.

We are sincerely grateful that we can participate in this endeavor.

**We wish each and every one of you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.**

Linda Eilers, Shirley Vickers, Bogata Lions Club

**"To Those I Love and Those Who Love Me"**

Now that I am gone, release me, let me go  
I have so many things to see and do.  
You must not tie yourself to me with tears.  
Be happy that we had so many years.  
I gave you my love, and you can only guess  
How much you gave to me in happiness.  
I thank you for the love you each have shown,  
But now it's time I traveled on alone.  
So grieve awhile for me. If grieve you must.  
Then let your grief be comforted by trust.  
It's only for a while that we must part.  
So bless the memories within your heart.  
I won't be far away, for life goes on,  
So if you need me, call and I will come.  
Though you can't see or touch me, I'll be near  
All of my love around you soft and clear.  
And then, when you must come this way alone,  
I'll greet you with a smile, and welcome you home.

Latane Roberts  
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**January 7, 1999 Sheldon Lee-Milton**

**Fried Alligator Nuggets**  
5 pounds alligator meat  
juice of two lemons  
1 bottle Tabasco sauce  
salt and pepper  
butter milk  
flour  
oil for frying  
Season alligator with salt and pepper and marinate in Tabasco sauce and lemon for one hour. Then marinate meat in buttermilk for one additional hour. Roll in flour and fry 12-15 minutes until golden brown.

**Fried Alligator**  
1 pound sliced alligator sliced thin  
1-12 ounce can beer  
1/2 cup flour  
1 teaspoon Season-All  
1 teaspoon pepper  
corn meal to dredge  
oil for frying  
Coat alligator with batter and corn meal. Fry in hot oil for about 15 minutes turning often until golden brown.

**Alligator Balls**  
1 pound chopped alligator meat  
1 egg  
1 tablespoon finely chopped onions  
2 tablespoons finely chopped celery  
1 tablespoon finely chopped parsley  
2 tablespoons finely chopped shallots  
2 teaspoons lemon pepper  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1/4 cup bread crumbs  
1 cup cooking oil  
Combine all ingredients and form into 1-inch balls. Allow to set for one hour. Dredge with flour and fry until golden brown. Serve hot.

**Alligator Dip**  
1/2 pound alligator meat  
1/2 teaspoon liquid crab boil  
1 teaspoon salt  
1/2 teaspoon lemon  
2 tablespoons shallots  
2 tablespoons celery  
2 tablespoons green pepper  
1 teaspoon mustard  
2 tablespoons chopped onion  
1 tablespoon teriyaki or soy sauce  
2 tablespoons onion  
2 tablespoons parsley  
2 tablespoons shallots  
1 tablespoon sweet pickle relish  
2 tablespoons mayonnaise  
Boil alligator meat in first 8 ingredients for 10 minutes. Chop meat and vegetables used in boiling in food processor or blender and continue to mix well. Serve chilled with crackers.

**Alligator Stew**  
1/2 cup cooking oil  
1/2 cup chopped onion  
1/2 cup chopped bell peppers or banana peppers  
2 tablespoons minced parsley  
salt and pepper to taste  
1 quart alligator meat cut in small pieces  
1/2 cup chopped celery  
1-10 ounce can Ro-tel tomatoes  
Place oil and meat in cooking pot and add chopped vegetables, tomatoes and season to taste with salt and pepper. Cover pot and cook over medium heat for 30-40 minutes.

**Barbecued Alligator Tail**  
Cut tail into one inch thick slices like steak. Season generously with Tony Chachere's Famous Creole Seasoning. Place on pit and dab with Tony Chachere's Creole Barbecue Sauce to which has been added one stick margarine to each pint of sauce. Serve with sauce.

**Alligator Creole**  
3 tablespoons bacon grease  
3/4 cup flour  
1 small can tomato paste  
2 medium onions  
cooked rice  
1 bell pepper  
2 pounds alligator meat  
butter  
1 cup cold water  
Make roux with grease and flour. Add tomato paste. Stir on low heat until reddish brown. Saute alligator meat in butter and onions if desired after completely draining water from meat. Add to roux, stirring constantly until meat is thoroughly coated with roux. Add small amounts of water, just enough to simmer. Add bell pepper and onions. Stir until boiling, then adjust to low temperature and simmer 45 minutes and serve over rice.

**Gator Sauce Piquant**  
2 pounds alligator meat-cubed  
2 cups chopped onion  
1/3 cup cooking oil  
1/4 cup chopped celery  
1/4 cup chopped parsley  
2-8 ounce cans tomato sauce  
1 can Ro-tel tomatoes  
1-6 ounce can sliced mushrooms  
2 tablespoons Worcestershire sauce  
1/4 teaspoons oregano  
salt and pepper to taste  
1/2 cup bell peppers  
Alligator may be marinated in wine for one hour before adding to sauce. Saute onions in oil until a dark golden brown, stirring often. Bell pepper and celery are then added and saute until tender. Add tomatoes and sauce and seasonings, simmer for 10 minutes. Add mushrooms and drained meat. Cover and cook for 40 minutes; add shallots and parsley and cook uncovered for 10 minutes. Serve over rice.

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Bobbie Cope and Wendell Nichols wed on December 23, 1958 in Hugo, Oklahoma

Nichols celebrate 40th anniversary

Bobbie and Wendell Nichols of Blossom celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary on December 23, 1998.

The couple was married on December 23, 1958 in Hugo, Oklahoma.

They celebrated their anniversary with family and friends and they also enjoyed a trip to Brandon, Mis-

souri, where they saw several shows and enjoyed viewing the beautiful Christmas lights.

Wendell and Bobbie have two children. Robert and his wife Pam live in Blossom and daughter Becky lives in Irving. The Nichols are members of the First Baptist Church of Blossom.

Garrett's donate Christmas gifts to library

This Christmas, instead of exchanging personal gifts among family members, the children and grandchildren of Bessie and the late Tom Garrett of Blossom donated books to the Blossom Library.

Books donated in honor of Bessie Garrett were: The classic, The Night Before Christmas, donated by granddaughter Jamilyn Garrett. Quilters Complete Guide donated by Jerry and Patti Garrett. Texas: A Photographic Tour donated by Paula and Sue Garrett.

Books donated in memory of Tom Garrett were: Remember When, A

Nostalgic Look at America's National Pastime donated by Jamilyn Garrett. What's Inside Everyday Things, Mark Wilson's Instant Magic Tricks, The Ultimate Noah's Ark, How To Sell What You Make and cartoon videos Elmer Fudd and Daffy Duck all donated by granddaughter and her husband Kimberly and Clay Redditt. Quick and Easy Afghans and The Complete Soapmaker donated by Jerry and Patti Garrett. Readers Digest New Fit It Yourself Manual donated by Paul and Sue Garrett.

U.S.S. L.S.T. shipmates sought Mary Norwood celebrates 89th birthday

The United States LST Association is seeking over 200,000 men. Maybe many more. They are already qualified by having served in the U.S. Navy or Coast Guard in WWII. Besides that they served in the Navy Amphibious forces. On landing ships, from the largest LST to the smallest LCM or on the many support ships.

The LST, which stands for Landing Ship, Tank, was about 327 feet long and fifty feet wide. That is longer than a football field, goal posts and all. The crews quickly named them Large, Slow Targets. They were not fast, but they were without equal on invasions. Imagine a ship that size riding up on the beach, opening its bow doors, lowering a ramp and men and machinery pouring out in a tidal wave of fire power.

An LST rode high in the water, had a flat bottom, carried crew of about 110 men and a cargo of some 300 fighting men and equipment. When that was done, they would spend

weeks ferrying supplies to the troops, until the next invasion. They have been compared often to huge floating bathtubs with decks. They were not graceful and they could make some people long for land in a heavy sea, but they were beautiful. They were home to more than 200,000 sailors during WWII. The Navy built more than 1,000 and it is estimated that an average of 200 men spent part of their Navy time on each LST. When the host of other Amphib ships is added and their support fleet, there is probably far more than a quarter of a million men involved.

The USSLST Association is looking for all LSTer's to have a great reunion with shipmates from WW-2 to present date. The next reunion will be held in San Diego, California on August 28, 1999. For more information contact; Bob Garner LST 461, HC 52 Box 362, Hemphill, Texas 75948 or call 1-800-228-5870.

Mary B. Norwood was honored on her 89th birthday at Appleby's in Paris. The celebration was hosted by her son Charles M. Norwood of Plano.

Others assisting with the celebration were grandson Charles Scott and Amy

Norwood and sons A.J. and Thomas of Garland, Alma Flippo of Paris and Mr. and Mrs. Larkin Gooch and Electra Milam of Detroit. Several of the waitresses sang happy birthday to her and served her cake and ice cream and gave her balloons.

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UMW begins New Year

The United Methodist Women met in the fellowship hall of the church on Monday night, January 4.

The first meeting of the new year is the annual Pledge Service. Marianne Ladd was program leader, using the story of Daniel as an example of a good and faithful servant who responded to God's word.

Those attending were Cindy Benfer, Juavane Carpenter, Ruth Chipman, Martha Glover, Marianne Ladd, Melba Ladd, Margaret Parks, Lucille Pickering and Juanita Sparks. The meeting adjourned with the Mizpah. Snack foods were enjoyed by the group.

The next meeting will be January 18 at the church. Ruth Cheatham will direct the program, Week of Prayer and Self Denial.

Judy Dyson to be at VFW Post 8187

The Bogata VFW Post 8187 and Ladies Auxiliary will welcome Judy Dyson of the Northeast Texas Veterans Administration on Monday, Jan. 11, 1999. The program will begin at 6:00 p.m.

Ms. Dyson will discuss a community based out patient clinic for Bogata. She will instruct on how to apply for a clinic and give important names and numbers of person's to be contacted on this subject.

A clinic in the area would keep area veterans from traveling to Bonham, Dallas or Shreveport for treatment. Everyone is invited to attend.

Joanna Hipp graduate Magna Cum Laude

JoAnna Gail Johnson Hipp, daughter of Betty and Sid Johnson of Blossom graduated Magna Cum Laude during the winter commencement at TWU with a BS in Occupa-

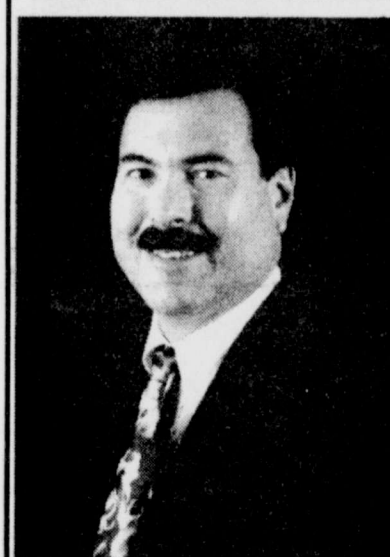
tional Therapy on December 19, 1998. She is a graduate of Prairiland High School.

She and her husband Joey make their home in Longview.



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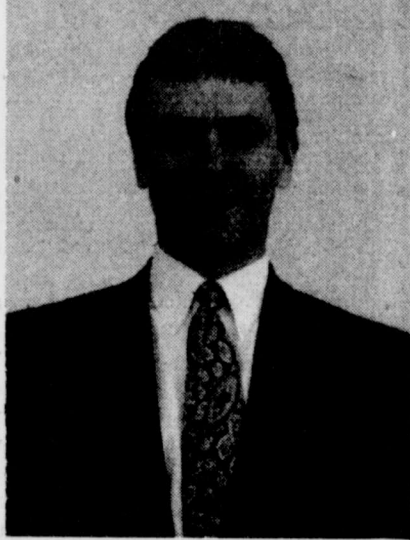
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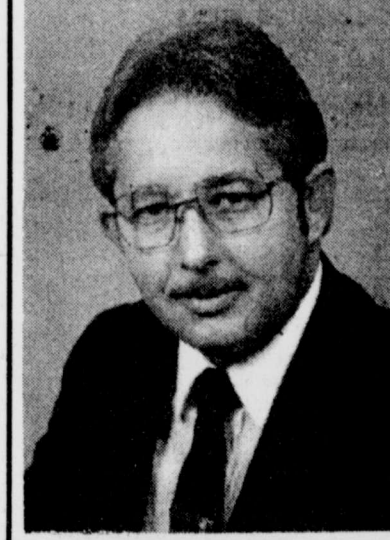
Best Wishes for a Happy New Year. LAMAR COUNTY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE Kerye Ashmore Jeff Starnes, Karla Baugh Steve Tyler, Kelly Byrum, Shanna Ellexson, Glenda Erwin, Shawn Carpenter, Penny Pitcock, Mike Middleton & Dickie Towers



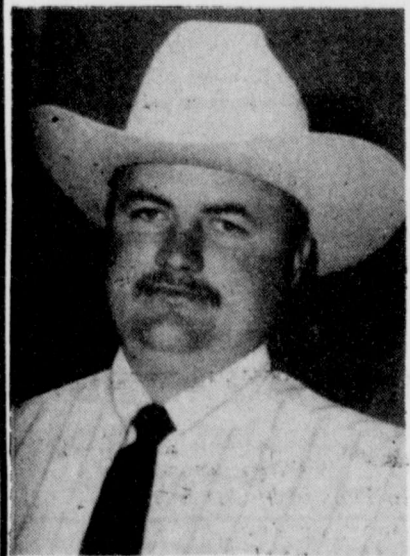
I am looking forward to serving the people of Lamar County as Commissioner of Precinct 1 Best Wishes For A Happy New Year Mike Blackburn Commissioner Precinct 1



Here's wishing you the very best in the New Year. Chuck Superville Lamar County Judge Nadine Ausbie Secretary



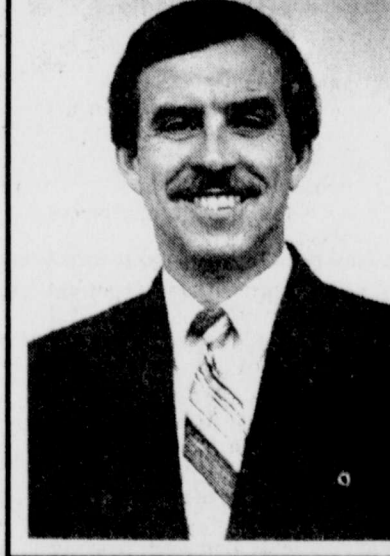
To the citizens of Lamar County I want to wish each of you a Happy New Year. I look forward to serving you as Sheriff in the new year B. J. McCoy Sheriff Lamar County



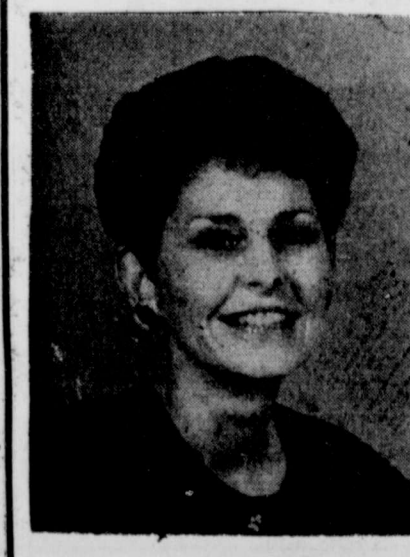
It has been a pleasure serving the people of Lamar County as Constable of Precinct 1. Best Wishes For A Happy New Year Randy Boren Constable Precinct 1



Wishing all of you a Happy New Year. It has been a pleasure serving you. Kathy Marlowe Lamar County Clerks Office



Wishing all of you the very best in the coming New Year Thanks for all your support. Don Denison Justice of the Peace Precinct 1



Happy New Year To All Lamar County residents. I am looking forward to serving you in the coming new year. Peggy Noble Lamar County Tax-Assessor Collector

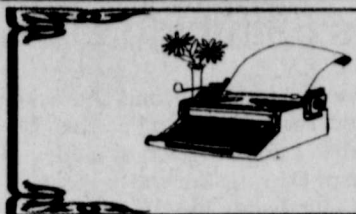


Wishing all of you a Happy New Year. It has been a pleasure serving you. Latricia Miller Lamar County Treasurer



Wishing you a New Year of Peace and Happiness. Marvin Ann Patterson Lamar County District Clerk





# Milton News

By Mattyle Upchurch

John Manley & Velma Temple visited Paul Manley & Jana Temple in Dallas December 20 and attended the Cowboy football game.

Bob & Buena Marshall attended a pre-Christmas family get together December 20 with Mark & Susan Marshall and family in Lewisville.

Mabel Pearson of Marshall and Harvey & Jean Bell of Cypress Springs spent Tuesday December 22 with Holland and Elizabeth Bell.

Evelyn Roach of Deport spent Christmas day with Phillip & Susie Roach.

The family of George & Nell Wolf spent Christmas day with them.

Peggy Whitney spent Christmas holidays with her sons and families in Dallas.

The family of Frank & Edna Lee were at their home Christmas Eve for a family get together.

Shasta Riley is spending the holidays with her father, Paul Riley of Azle.

Mary & Eran Yoder visited her father, Jack Farris of Detroit on Friday.

Barbara & Jake Maurischat of San Antonio visited her parents, Wednesday through Sunday.

Angela Eszes of Zenta, Yugoslavia visited James & Dorothy Holt Wednesday through Sunday. She will be in San Antonio until the last of May, then return to her home.

Spending Christmas with Ann & Sheldon Lee were their son, Trey Lee of Wichita, KS and Mr. & Mrs. Noel McCoy and family of San Antonio.

Charles & Sara Ham of Palestine and Jerry & Christy Ham, Melena & Jeremy of Niceville, Florida spent the Christmas holiday with Mr. &

Mrs. Harold Shull & Nannie Belle Ham.

Visiting Phillip & Susan Roach over the holidays were Beth & Cory Spray of Paris, Cindy Roach & friend, Alisa of Tyler.

Spending Christmas day with John & Velma Temple were Tim Salter, Jeff & Salena Bell and children Aaron & Tabatha, Edna Towers, Helen Temple, Hattie Hobbs & David Hobbs, all of Paris and Terra Lewis of Gainesville.

Guests of Edna Talley Saturday were Darrell & Pam Farris of Cumby, Eddie Farris & Brenda Tinker of Jenks, OK, Nikki & Ethan Lane of Mesquite, Loyd & Beckie Farris, Shabecca, Melody & Brandon Hisaw of Paris, Mary & Eran Yoder, Shasta Riley of Milton, Micheal Kincaid & Carol Lane of Deport.

Mattyle Upchurch has returned home after spending Christmas with her family, Billie Goheen of Arlington, Leah & Russell Schroeder and Jeff Todd of Grapevine, Merritt Corna, Megan & Devin of Ft. Worth & Nick Maudsley of Benbrook. They were together Christmas Eve at the home of Leah & Russell and Christmas day with Nick at his home.

Ronny & Eileen Pettit of Irving spent the weekend at their home here.

Visiting Bob & Buena Marshall Sunday were Bobby & Carlee Dodson and Robert & Sherry Dodson and Tim Dodson & friend, all of Dallas.

Ruby Lee of Dallas spent the holidays with her parents, Frank & Edna Lee and her son, Tony.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Roach visited her sister and husband, Janet & Randy. Mr. & Mrs. Payne Appleby of Waco were there visiting, also.

John M. & Velma Temple visited Saturday and had dinner with Wayne & Colleen Watson & children, Austin & Hannah of Corinth, also visiting the Watsons were Phil & Rachelle Casey, Bryan & Blair of Carrollton, Kenneth & Patti Pearce, children Brantley, Amanda & Alyssa of Houston & Amber Brennan of Conway, AR.

Bob & Buena Marshall spent the Christmas holidays with Ronnie & Eileen Pettit of Irving.

Spending Christmas day with James & Dorothy Holt were Barbara & Jake Maurischat and Angela Eszes from San Antonio, Kay & Billy Woodard of Dallas, Dale Williams & Haley, Laurie McNeal, Brittany & Megan of Paris, Timothy Parks of Faight, Amy & Chris Holt, Kathy & Johnny Holt and Renea of Milton.

Mary & Eran Yoder spent Christmas Eve with his parents, Toby & Delores Yoder of Paris, also there were John & Sandy Yoder of Indiana.

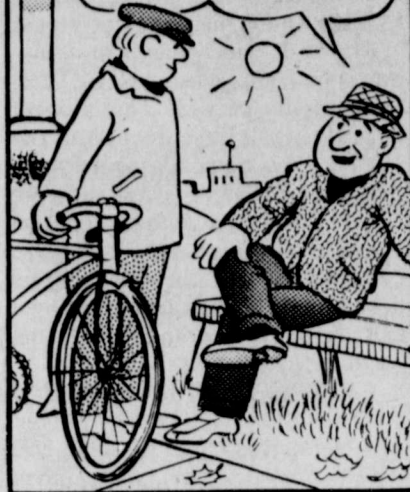
Stacy & Allen Huddleston spent Christmas holidays visiting friends and relatives in Paris, Deport & Bogata.

Ann & Sheldon Lee spent New Year's weekend in Galveston with their friends, Kathy & Glenn Ferguson.

Stacy Huddleston visited her grandmother, Mildred Wright in Deport on Wednesday.

Spending New Years weekend with Harold & Nell Shull were their children, Karen & Chuck Mickie & children of Richardson, Geary & Carol Shull & son Glyn of Shreveport, LA.

A BIG PLUS IN SOLAR ENERGY IS THAT YOU CAN LOOK UP AND SEE THAT THERE IS STILL PLENTY OF IT LEFT.



FIRST PLACE-Pam Davis of Clarksville won Thunder Prairie Publishing's Christmas Memories contest. Pam holds two papers published by Thunder Prairie Publishing containing her Christmas memory while Managing Editor Thomas Nichols presents her with the First Place prize.

# Cunningham News

By Linda Anderson  
652-3502 or 652-2059



The Almer Norwood family Christmas Eve celebration began at Red River Haven in Bogata to be with Alma Norwood and give her gifts.

After singing Christmas carols and taking pictures, 48 family members and friends went to the home of Billy Ray, Neva, Brandon and Georjeana Oats to eat. Attending were Geneva Norwood, Frankie, Julie, Logan, Layton and Caleb Norwood, Scotty, Treda, Amber and Trevor Spur Norwood, Brad Nutt, Darold, Ida Mae and Shelia Norwood, Del Walker, James, Pat, Tracy, Brenton, Jace, Hunter and Hanna Norwood, Mendi, Todd, Lacy and Kelby Cole, Canard and Delores Norwood, Talma and Suzie Norwood, Dot and Melvin Stephens, Terri, Waymon, Cameron and Tyler Creamer, Jay, Casey and Colton Ingram, Danny, Sharon and Kenny Norwood and Cindy and Charles Nichols. Those at the nursing home were Rodney, Teresa, Ricky, Pam, Haley and Mattie Norwood.

Christmas day at Marie Watsons was enjoyed by family and friends with Christmas dinner and opening gifts. Attending were Geneva Norwood, Billy Ray, Neva, Brandon and Georjeana Oats, Brad Nutt, Frankie, Julie, Logan, Layton and Caleb Norwood, Scotty, Treda, Amber and Spur Norwood, Nelta and Johnnie Musgrove, Stacy, Linda, Stoney and Charity Musgrove, Zarinska and Shane Morton, Dean Watson and friend Adrianna, Deana and Brooklyn Legate, Dillon Gibson, Brad, Bradlee and Brett Watson, Bruce Watson, Vickie, Crystal, Lacy and Jessie Davis.

Christmas dinner was enjoyed at the home of Billie Joe and Georgia Oats by Billy Ray, Neva, Brandon and Georjeana Oats, Lessie Stewart and Betty Jane Roddy. After dinner, presents were opened and pictures made.

Geneva Norwood had Christmas for her family on Tuesday before Christmas. After eating, everyone enjoyed opening gifts and getting stockings and taking pictures. Those attending were Billy Ray, Neva, Brandon and Georjeana Oats, Brad Nutt, Frankie, Julie, Logan, Layton and Caleb Norwood, Scotty, Treda, Amber and Spur Norwood.

Spending Christmas day with Billy Joe and Georgia Oats were Billy Ray, Neva, Brandon and Georjeana Oats, Betty Roddy of Red Oak, Lessie Stuart of Reno and Brad Nutt of Paris visited in the afternoon.

Sue Pynes of Paris and Lorette Pynes of Cunningham were in Long-

view Thursday through Saturday having Christmas with Dean Ogden.

Celebrating their annual Christmas get together at the community center were Taylor Ladd's children and grandchildren, Melba Baker, Anna Baker, Quentin Baker and Jason Baker, Johnney, Jayme, Jennifer and Landon Syrus, Drew, Janet, Danielle and A.J. Syrus, Bobby and Shelby Kennedy, Jeff, Cindy, Zack, Garrett and Taylor Kennedy, Heath, Missy and Laytner Kennedy, T.L. Carol, Swede, Brittney and Brigitte Ladd, Steve, Carolyn and Shelley Ladd, Craig and Meredith Ladd, Taylor Ladd, Jim, Lisa and Logan Thompson and Jacie, Tuttle Jordan, Faye Richardson and Scotter Bills.

Rickey and Linda Anderson had her family for Christmas evening for a fish fry. Attending were Rusty, Cindy, Marty, Susan and Kerri Anderson, Carlos, Wendy and Cord Ordorica, Jim and Pat West of Roston, Cody, Ladonna and Rex West of Roston, Craig, Andrea, Will and Connor Reed of Dodd City, Fred, Cathy and Coy Cole of Paris and Tracy Mahan of Powderly.

Clyde and Bobbie Slusher met Charles and Jackie Taylor and Bobbie Hall at the Sirlino Stockade in Paris Friday for dinner. Following they went to the Taylor home for games of 42.

Bobbie Hall of Paris hosted a brunch Saturday for family members. Attending were Bret, Sherrie and Colt Holbert, Charles and Jackie Taylor, all of Paris, Clyde and Bobbie Slusher and the hostess.

Clyde and Bobbie Slusher spent several days last week in Burk Burnett at the home of their daughter, Stephanie and E.C. McLaughlin. Others visiting and enjoying Christmas were Steve Slusher and daughter Keri of Denton, Jackie and Jackie Slusher, Taylor, Timothy, Tori and Trey of Wichita Falls, Janet Smith, Lesa, Jonathan and A.J. of Montgomery, AL, Clint and Kasey Hyde of Dripping Springs and Shane McLaughlin of Denton. Grandson Cpl. Joshua Ward, USMC was unable to attend but all visited him by telephone.

During Christmas, John and Claudia Whitney entertained on several occasions. On December 20, the C.M. Whitney family gathered at John and Claudia's for a dinner and gifts. Attending from Garland were Virginia Allison, Gary, Lita and Charlie Allison, from Royce City, Graydon and Beverly Whitney, Glen and Christi Hill and Holden Glen Brian Whitney, Sandy Whitney, Shannon

Hayes and Hayden Gayle, Kenneth, Shirla Whitney and boys, Keith, Sharon, Jeremy Elliott and grandbaby, from Sulphur Springs, Bill, Belinda and Elaine Dickey, Elaine's fiancé Daniel Winn, Brian, Darrell Lynn and Katherine Johnson, Glen Maddox from Powderly were Debbie Currin, Travis, Tonya, Christian and Jeremy Hunter, from Paris were Shane and Vicki Currin and the host and hostess. Time was spent visiting, taking pictures and having a good time. Visitors on Christmas Eve were Maurine Womack of Reno, John Allen of Deport, Debbie Currin, Travis, Tonya, Christian and Jeremy Hunter of Powderly, Shane and Vicki Currin of Paris, Shane and Vicki spent the night with them. The following were present for Christmas dinner and exchange of gifts on Christmas day, Bill, Belinda and Elaine Dickey, Daniel Winn, Brian, Darrell Lynn, Katherine, Glenn Maddox, Sulphur Springs, Debbie Currin, Travis, Tonya, Christian and Jeremy Hunter, Powderly, Shane and Vicki Currin, Paris. The day was also spent celebrating Claudia's birthday, December 26.

On December 27 the Jack Norwood family gathered at the 909 Diner in Bogata for their Christmas dinner. Attending were Maurine Womack of Paris, Richard and Kazan Lynch, Jamie Lynn and Michael Mauldin of Sanger, Tammie and Christ Lawrence, David and Shirley Norwood, Jennifer Terrell and children of Paris, Barbara and Charlie Smith, Teresa Smith, Bogata, Brandon, Christi and Brianna Law, John and Claudia Whitney, Deport, Debbie Currin, Travis, Tonya, Christian and Jeremy Hunter, Powderly, Bill, Belinda and Elaine Dickey, Elaine's fiancé, Daniel Winn, Brian, Darrell Lynn, Katherine and Glenn Maddox, Sulphur Springs.

Spending Saturday night with John and Claudia Whitney were Elaine Dickey and fiancé Daniel Winn of Sulphur Springs. Spending Sunday night were Brian, Darrell L., Katherine Johnson and Glenn Maddox of Sulphur Springs.

Daniel Winn, fiancé of Elaine Dickey, granddaughter of John and Claudia Whitney is in Parkland Hospital, Dallas after an automobile accident on December 30 in Sulphur Springs. He was taken to Sulphur Springs Hospital for surgery and careflighted to Parkland for more surgery. He is in ICU. Reports received Sunday say he was much improved.

# Life Tabernacle has Christmas play, parties

The Sunday before Christmas Life Tabernacle Church and friends celebrated the birth of a king with a play "The Greatest Gift of All", featuring Amber, Trevor Spur, Logan, Layton and Caleb Norwood, Johnna and Jenna Patterson.

The nativity scene was presented by Andrea & Kara Palmer; Kenzie Jackson; Jennifer Brown; Daniel Lee, Burk Burnett, Ben Glass and Frankie Norwood.

Special singing was presented by: Charity Musgrove, Stacy Musgrove,

Tony Duncan, Frank Patterson, Geneva Norwood, L'Wanda McKnight, Jancee Jackson, Georjeana Oats & Brad Nutt.

After the program, everyone enjoyed a salad supper. The children went to L'Wanda McKnight's home for a Christmas Party and the Teens went to Neva Oat's home for their party. L.T.C. members were thrilled to have other church families in our community join together in worship and fellowship.

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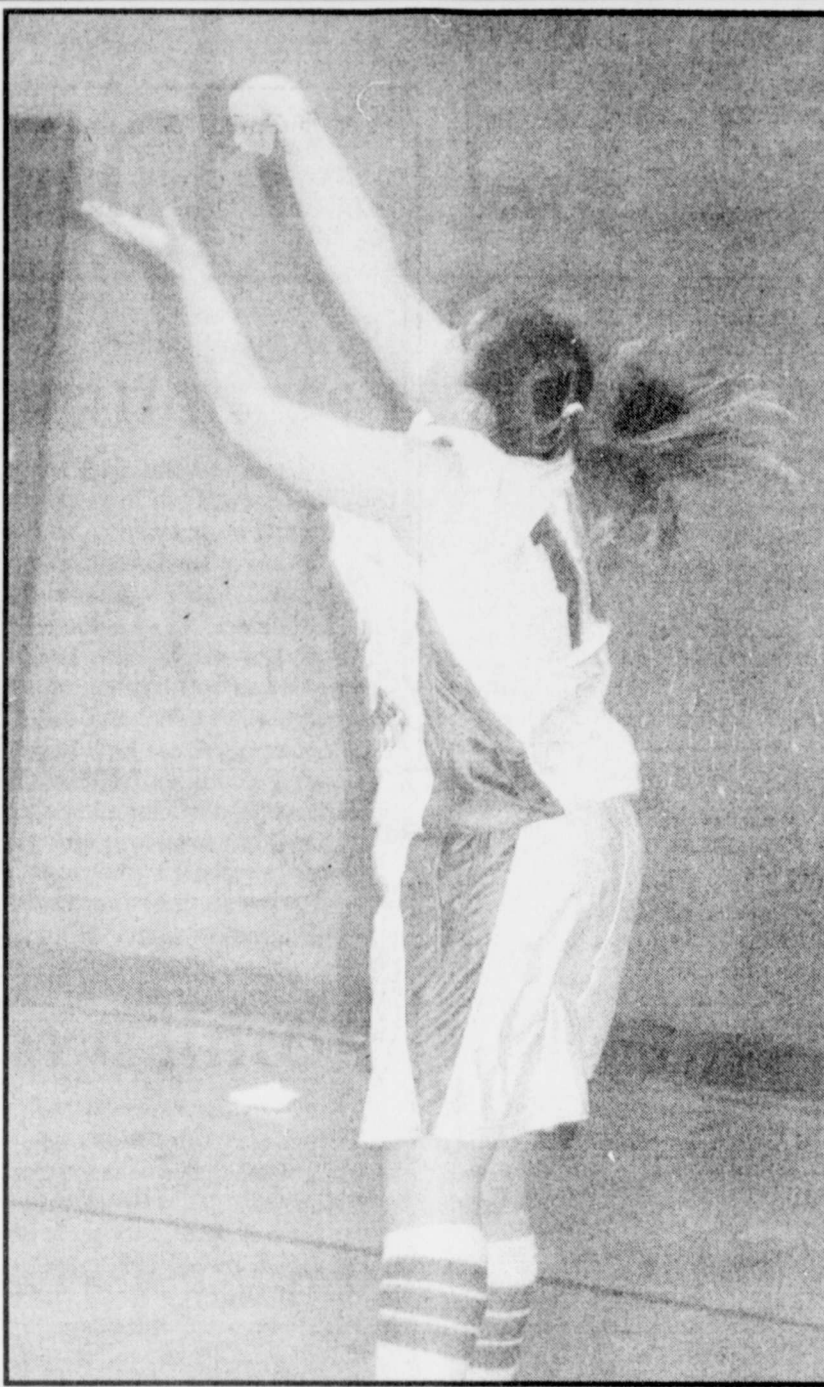
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### JV Patriots fall to Honey Grove in OT

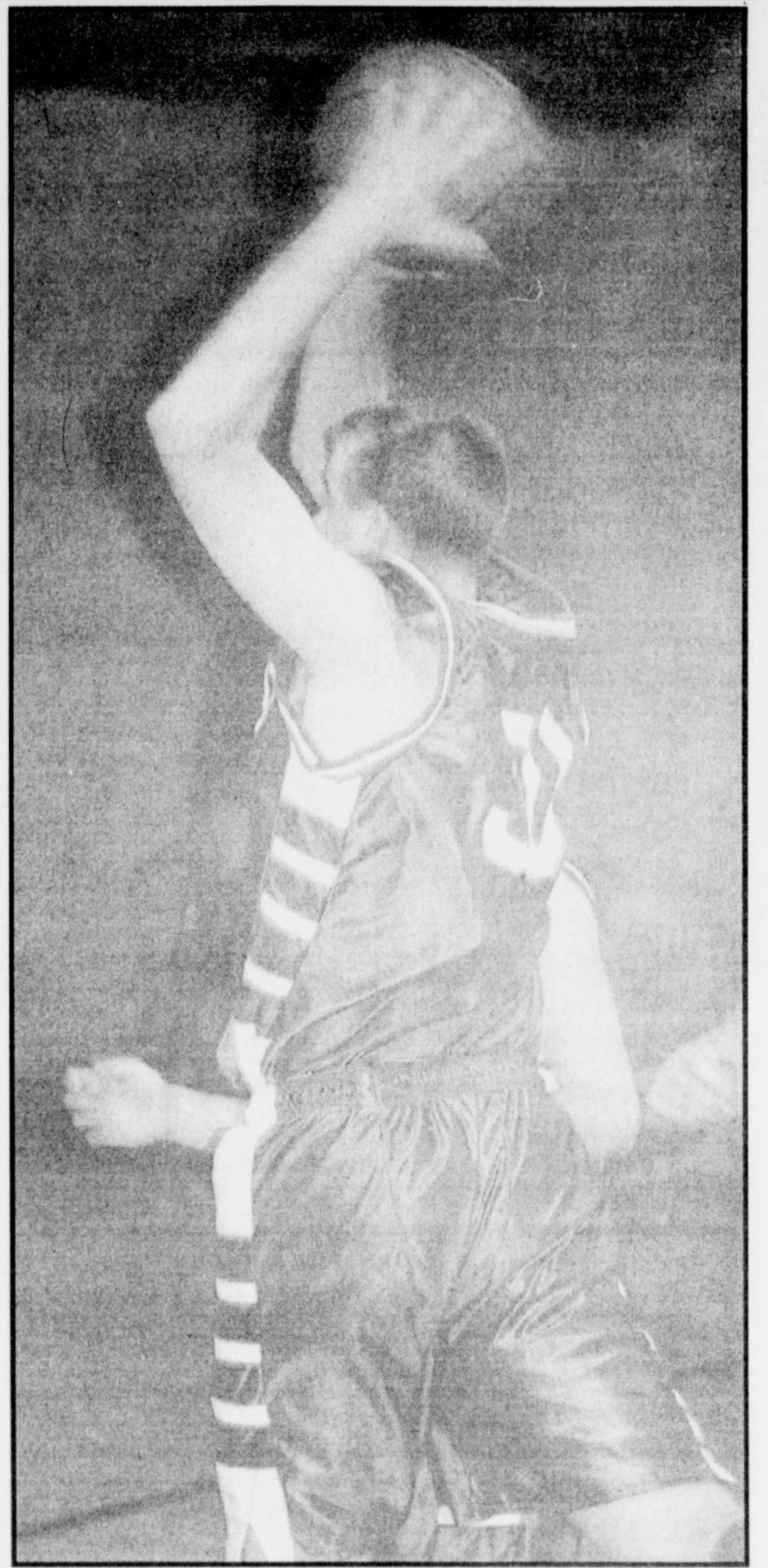
The Junior Varsity from Prairiland traveled to Honey Grove to face the Jr. Warriors on their turf. The game went into overtime 34-34. The Warriors proved to be the stoniest as they fired in 10 more points to end the game 39-44. Jonathan Martin added a basket and could hit only 2 of 3 free shots and Chris Berry added 2 of 3 free shots in overtime performance. Heath Sessums was high for the night with 12. Martin, Brandon Gray and Berry each had 5 for the night. Arron Murdock added 4; Kyle Malone and Michael Mazy each added three and Drew Riddles had a basket. When the Pats traveled to Lone Oak on the 18th of December they brought home the win 57-36. The JV outscored the Lone Oak team 12-10,

25-13, 37-25 and ending the game 57-36. Malone was high with 12 and Martin followed with 10. Sessums and Riddles each had 8. Berry added 7 along with Justin Elrod adding 6. Jesse Crawford chipped in 5 along with a point from Mazy. The Pats took another big win from Saltillo on December 21 of 57-39. They outshot the Saltillo team in the first three quarters and cooled off in the fourth only hitting 11 to Saltillo's 14. High for the night was Sessums with a dozen followed by Malone, Mazy and Crawford with 8 each. Berry had 7 and Gray 6. Elrod and Riddles each added three each.



(Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

LADY PATRIOT TONI CLARKSON gets her shot off in recent basketball action against Honey Grove. The ladies lost their second district game on Saturday night against the Lady Warriors. They will face Chisum on Friday, January 8 at home.



(Staff Photo by Liz Irwin)

Cavender steals the ball during Holiday Tournament. The Patriots lost to Chisum but went on to win the tournament.



Prairiland  
Calendar of Events  
Week of January 11

- 12 ..... Basketball picture
- 13 ..... Youth for Christ, 7:50 a.m., Library
- 14 ..... PIP Practice
- 15 ..... Invitation Orders, 11:15
- 16 ..... Little Dribblers

### Patriots fall to Warriors

In the first two quarters of the opening of district play against the Honey Grove Warriors, the Prairiland Patriots looked like they were out for the win. The game remained tied at the buzzer at the end of the first quarter at 11-11 and at the end of the second quarter at 21-21. But something snapped in the third as the Pats fell behind 29-37 in the third. They could only manage 8 in the third while the Warriors hit the net for 16 points. The fourth quarter saw more turnovers and poor shooting end the game 40-55 Honey Grove. Lucas Roddy was high with 12 and

only managed a basket. On December 21, the Pats hosted Saltillo and took the win 64-46. The Pats were relentless on the boards as they hit 18 each in the first two quarters and slowed down in the third with only 6 and heated up again in the fourth with 22. Roddy was in double figures with 12 and high for the night. Cavender, Whitley and Sepulveda also hit in the double's for 10 each. Gifford only hit for 6 while Hudson hit for four. Williams added a trey in the fourth and Boehler added 2, also in the

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### Patriots take consolation at Roxton

The Prairiland Patriots took the consolation trophy at the Roxton Holiday Tournament beginning on December 28, 1998. They faced the team from Collinsville and took the defeat, 56-67.

62-27. They held the Saltillo team to single digits in three of the four quarters. 14-3 in the first; 20-6 in the second; 17-13 in the third and 11-5 in the fourth.

The Pats never lead in any quarter as they lost momentum with each quarter. They were within one in the first quarter with 15-16 at the buzzer. In the second quarter they trailed 24-35. In the third they fell behind by 12 with a score of 36-48. At the final horn, the Collinsville team led 67-56. Senior Trey Gifford led for the night with 25 as senior Daniel Sepulveda came in second with 12. Brad Barrentine carried 8 while Lucas Roddy hit only 4. Matt Cavender had 3 and Aaron Williams and Erik Whitley each put in a basket for two each.

Barrentine was high for the game with 16 (with two of these baskets being the long range shot) and Gifford followed this time with 14. Cavender, Cody Boehler and Sepulveda each had a half dozen points. Williams, Joel Hudson and Roddy each contributed 4 while Whitley added another basket for 2.

In the second round against Saltillo, the Pats took an easy win

They faced Fannindel in the third round in an action-packed overtime game that the Pats took 85-76. The Pats led the Falcons in each quarter as they maintained a high average at the free throw line hitting 24 of 29 shots.

Gifford was high for the game with 31 as Roddy followed with 17. Sepulveda followed Roddy close

with 16. Cavender added 7, Williams 5, Barrentine 4 and Whitley 3. Hudson also added a bucket for 2.

They finished out the tournament in the consolation bracket against Savoy defeating them 57-50. They boys started out strong in the 1st quarter keeping the Savoy team to only 5 as they hit 16 with Williams adding two from the three point range and Hudson adding a three-point shot also.

In the second quarter, senior Whitley added another from three-point range to keep the Pats ahead 31-16. Third quarter action kept the Pats ahead 42-31 and completed the tournament 57-50 in the final quarter.

Roddy was high with 10 and Williams had 9. Sepulveda, Barrentine and Cavender each added 7 a piece. Whitley and Boehler had 5 each as Gifford added 4 and Hudson added three.

### Lady Patriots defeat Chapel Hill; lose to HG

By Frankye Sessums

The Lady Patriots got their first district win at Chapel Hill Friday night with a 55-49 defeat over the Lady Red Devils.

Prairiland trailed by 25-26 at half-time but had a strong 2nd half including a 17 point, 4th quarter to lead them to the win.

Stacy Harrison led all scorers with 13 points. Christy Patterson added 12 points along with 6 assists and 7 steals. Kami Hudson put in 11 points. Sarah Hooze had 8, Crystal Davis 5 and Melissa Steinkamp and Tammy Nichols each had 3.

The JV team fell to Chapel Hill 22-39 with Jordan Hunold scoring 14.

The Lady Patriots fell to Saltillo 35-53 on December 21 against Saltillo. The girls did make a better showing than their previous outing with the Lady Lions. Christy Patterson led the scoring with 15 points; she also had 3 steals and 6 assists.

Kelly Clarkson put in 7 points, Hunold and Harrison each added 4 points and Hooze had 3 while Amanda Wood had 2.

In the Roxton Holiday Tournament in the first round the Lady Pats faced Savoy and were defeated 41-55.

Harrison hit for 19 as high point. Steinkamp 8, Patterson and Clarkson

4 each, Hooze and Hudson 3 each. In the round against Dodd City, the girls lost 41-48.

Toni Clarkson had 8 for high point. Hudson 9, Patterson 8, Steinkamp 6, Hooze 5, Kelly Clarkson 4 and Harrison 2.

On Saturday night, January 2, the Lady Pats played their second district game of the year. They took the loss to the Honey Grove Lady Warriors 26-66.

Patterson was high with 8. Harrison hot for 6, Hooze 3, K. Clarkson 4, Steinkamp 3, Hudson 2 and T. Clarkson one.

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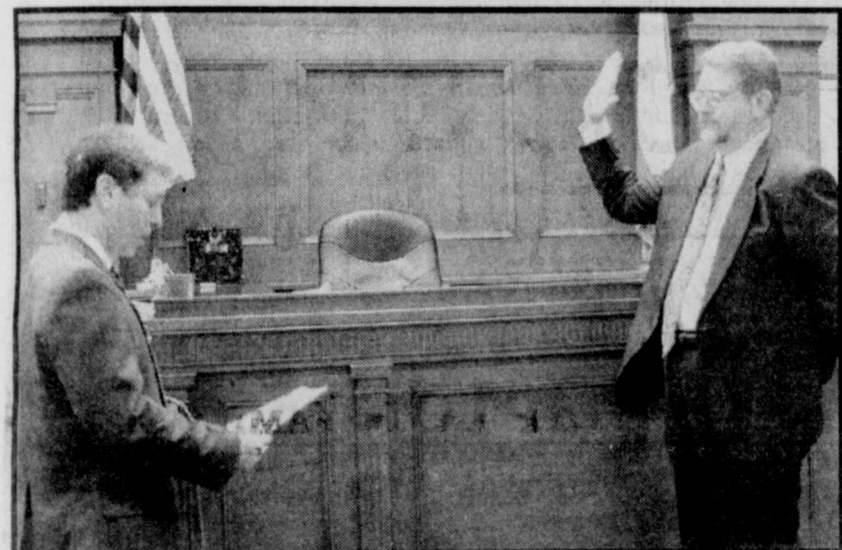




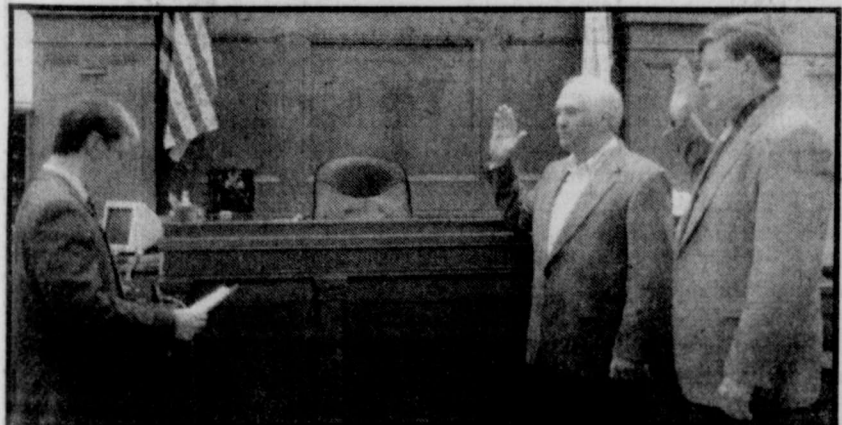
LAMAR COUNTY JUSTICES Pct.1 Don Denison, Pct. 5 Place 2 Larry Moree, Pct. 2 Gill Landers, Pct.3 James N. McCourt, and Pct. 4 Kenneth R. Ruthart were sworn into office on New Year's Day by Lamar County Judge M.C. (Chuck) Superville. (Staff Photo)



ADMINISTERING THE OATH OF OFFICE - M.C. (Chuck) Superville administered the oath to District Clerk Marvin Ann Patterson, Lamar County Clerk Kathy Marlowe and Lamar County Treasurer Patricia Miller last Friday in the Lamar County courtroom. (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)



COUNTY COURT AT LAW JUDGE-Deane A. Loughmiller took the oath of office from M.C. (Chuck) Superville on New Year's Day at the Lamar County Courthouse. (Staff Photo)



COMMISSIONERS TAKE OATH- Pct. 4 Jackie Wheeler and Pct. 2 Carl Steffy took their oath of office from Lamar County Judge M.C. (Chuck) Superville on New Year's Day. (Staff Photo by Thomas Nichols)

## Fulbright News

By Betty Rodgers

Monte Rodgers of Tigertown visited Sunday with his mother, Betty Rodgers.

Melissas and Gilbert Arriaga spent New Year's Day with his mother in Dallas and Saturday and Sunday with her aunt, Bernice Thomas of Boyd.

Worth Baker celebrated his 91st birthday at his home on Monday, December 28. Those helping him celebrate were Mr. and Mrs. Lee Little and Cole Murdock of Mesquite, Mr. and Mrs. David Hebert of Alaska, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Fielding of Tyler, Larry Parker of Detroit and his daughter, Karen Baker.

December 20, Jimmie King had her Christmas dinner. Present were Kay and Dave German of Whitney, Dick, Jayne, NeLeigh and Jeff King of Paris, Kyle, Kutchi, Travis, Shelley King of Reno and Nicky King and Keven Reynolds of Stillwater, OK.

Jimmie King spent Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Kyle King and family of Reno.

Saturday, Mr. and Mrs. Kyle King of Reno came for Jimmie King and they had dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Stan Haley and family of Bonham.

Randy, Janice Osburn and girls of Midlothian spent Sunday night and Monday with Jimmie King.

Mary Salters and daughters of Denver, CO, Kay German of Whitney and Dick King of Paris had lunch Tuesday with Jimmie King.

Mrs. Kyle King of Reno spent Wednesday with Jimmie King.

Jimmie King spent New Year's Day with Mr. and Mrs. Kyle King and family of Reno.

Holiday visitors with the Crumps were Terry and Deana Halbert of Paris and Abby, Micah and Matthew, J.D. and Charity Halbert of Irving with Ty, Cheyenne, Bailey and Brooklyn, Angela and Aaron

Iles and Chance Steinhilber, Gary Spear and Doyle Brown of Euleus, Charles Crump of Dallas. Abby and Micah stayed two days with their grandparents. The Crumps visited her parents and brother, Mr. and Mrs. J.T. Lane and James of Alvarado, friends A.T. and Mary Coker of Kaufman, Angela Iles, Eddie Kyle and Aaron of Bogata, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Lamb of Deport and Worth and Karen Baker of Fulbright. They received calls from Lessie Parker of Grand Prairie and Audrey Brown of Euleus. Mrs. Frankie Haire, formerly of Deport and now of San Angelo, fell and was injured.

Having Christmas dinner with Clovis and Katy VanDeaver on Saturday, December 26 were Linda and Garon Salter and Jon, Sherri, Myranda, Marshall and Mason Salter of Brady, Lana VanDeaver of Crockett, Tiffany and Ty Stubblefield of Centerville, Shanna James of Lovelady, Larann, John and Dru Denison of Rosalie, Mitzie, Gary, Kimberly and Michael Pirtle of Paris and Billie and Clarence Pate of Dallas.

Clovis and Katy VanDeaver hosted the annual VanDeaver Christmas supper on Saturday, December 26. Those attending were Charles VanDeaver of Clarksville, Gordon and Helen VanDeaver of Pattonville, Linda and Garon Salter of Brady, Lana VanDeaver of Crockett, Tiffany and Ty Stubblefield of Centerville, Gary, Pam, Casey and Katelynn VanDeaver

of Bogata, Renae, Jeri, Melanie and Sarah Singleton of Fayetteville, TN, Charlotte VanDeaver of Austin, James VanDeaver of Pattonville, Larann, John and Dru Denison of Rosalie and Mitzie, Gary, Kimberly and Michael Pirtle of Paris.

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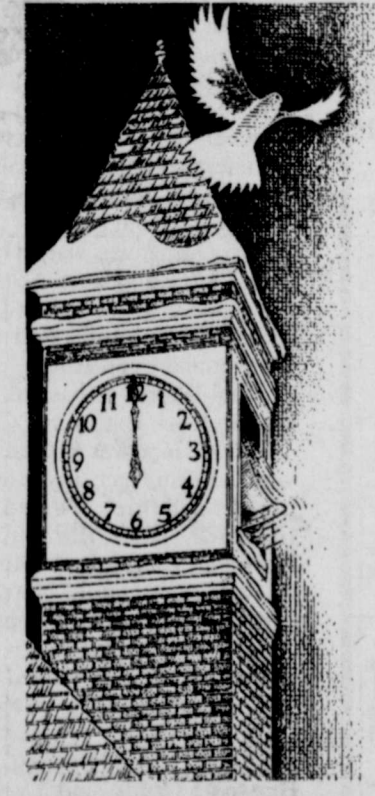
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Celebrating Christmas at the home of George and Pam Woods was Roy and Brenda Rogers and Steven of Fairfield, Brenda, Larry, Denise and Daphne Hoover of Mt. Pleasant, Scott Bryson of Bogata, Elaine and James Wade and Ruth Booth, George and Nancy Woods of Paris.

Ola Himes and Kirtsen Sharp of Pattonville visited with Pam Woods over the holidays.

JoAnn Gerringer visited in Florida with her daughter and grandchildren Jeanna Mitchell and Courtney and Zachery.

Linda Hicks, Juanita Harrison and

Minnie Lee and Hershall Shands traveled to Dallas on Monday to the VA Hospital there.

Special get well wishes this week to June Barber who is in St. Joseph Hospital.

Minnie Lee Shands and Jquanita Hariosn visited with Annie Milam of Deport last Monday and Earl Hagood and Mark Denney last Monday.

Enjoying lunch on New Year's Day with Mr. and Mrs. Hershall Shands was Tracy and Todd Denney.

Lloyd and Emma Willard spent the Christmas holidays in Dothan, Alabama visiting with Mr. and Mrs. H.C. Dees, Renea and Steven Long of Paris enjoyed a New Year's Day dinner at their home in Blossom.

Teri Moody, Blake and Carly of Van Alstyne visited here during the Christmas holidays.

Lori Deverell spent Tuesday night with Jessica Hutchings of Deport.

Judy Booth, Melitta May, Minnie Lee Shands, Pauline Weddle and Lori Deverell attende a baby shower at the home of Kim Langley in Paris for Judy Hilliard Sharp of Henderson on Sunday.

Orene Bonner has returned home after spending several days at the home of her daughter Rita Mearns for the holidays. They celebrated Christmas day with dinner and 32 friends and relatives there.

Billie Henry enjoyed Christmas holidays with her son and daughter-in-law Candy and Marvin Henry of

Amarillo. Also from Amarillo was her godson Melvin Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Dowd and Raven of Paris.

Celebrating Christmas with Ruby Crawford this past Saturday was Joel and Trish Crawford of Blanchard, Oklahoma, Carol, Kenny and Crystal Wood of Atlas and Anna Lamire of Paris and Marie and Janae.

Margaret Parks enjoyed the holidays visiting in Lewisville with her son and family Robert Parks, in Carrollton visiting Barbara McKinney and in Irving visiting Pat Kirksey

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Reecie Kelsey and Brodie Bell were visited by Trina Gruber, Skip & Connie Dodd, Sammy & Suzie Kelsey, Martha Glover.

Dorthea Jensen was visited by Ray and Becky, Kathy Jenkins and John.

Raymond Hignight was visited by Sammy & Suzie Kelsey, Thurman and Marie Franks and Claudie Dudley.

Edna Gifford was visited by Thersa Stephens, Koleton and Kaid, Marie Franks.

Angie Smith was visited by Larry and Shirley Haskell, Charles Smith, Larry Smith, Bobby Merchant and Grandson, James and Nancy Smith, C.D., Tonya and children.

Mrs. Purna Haydock was visited by Noel and Deavi Guest of Panama City, Fl, Red and Inez Weaver, Philip and Joyce Love, Mrs. Johnnie Lee Roach, Jennie Asberry, Kim Allen of San Antonio, Mr. R.L. Garrett of Blossom, Johnnie Warren, Evelyn Roach, Nannie Bell Ham.

Nora Barnett was visited by Sky and Star Thompson, Kathy Ramsey, Bobby Smith, Rita Thompson, Kathy Ramsey, Rhinda Hoskins, Billy Don Maisy, Gary Malone, Veaner Barnett,

Tonya, Tommas, Nikki and David. Milow Hume was visited by Weldon Hume, Lindsey and Ina and Stasha Hume.

Ruby Crawford was visited by James and Mae, Louise Cagle, Norman and Sue Farris and J.C.

Mamie Fletcher was visited by Kara, Hali and Lila Screws, BEcky Proctor, Glenda King, Dennis Fletcher, Jimmy Hatcher, Dennis Fletcher and Lauri Grayson.

Alma Montgomery was visited by Monda and Tom Fuels.

Sara Gilmer was visited by Dewey and Marline and Cecil Allen.

Russell grant was visited by Steve Grant of California, Red and Inez Weaver and Cecil Allen.

Ethel Elrod was visited by Keith Bailey, Joyce Bailey and Cecil Allen.

David Geer was visited by William and Ann Geer, Joyce and Philip Love, Johnnie Warren, Purna Haydock, Nora Barnett, Juanita Brawner, Candy and Donnie and Chad Larkin, Harold Norris, Nanie bell Ham, Red and Inez Weaver, Cecil Allen.

David Geer was visited by William and Ann Geer, Joyce and Phillip Love, Johnnie Warren, Purna Haydock, Nora Barnett, Juanita Brawner, Candy and Donnie, and Chad Larkin, Harold Norris, Nanie

bell Ham, Red and Inez Weaver and Cecil Allen.

Lois Dudley was visited by Mickey and Ashley Kenner, Roger and Linda

Dudley, Mark, Chris, and Brian, Claudie and Dennie, and Cecil Allen.

Johnnie Warren's guests were: Mrs. Cokie Roach, Jenny Asbery, Kenneth Harold Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Roach, Evelyn Roach, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Guerra, Larry Crawford, Bonnie Crawford, Lila, Hali and Kara Screws, Candy Larkin, Purna Haydock, Cindy Roach and friends of Tyler, Carol and Jennifer Dorsey, Dorothy Holt, Rachelle Yarbrough, Jennifer Dorsey.

Dorthea Elms was visited by Wynell Calloway and Joann Henson.

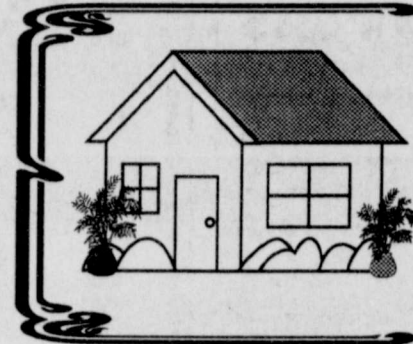
Joe Wrenn was visited by Pamela Campbell, JoAnn Henson, Wynell Calloway, Nanie Bell Hume, Nina Hali, Lila, Kara and Hali Screws, Becky Proctor.

Don O'Dea was visited by Fred and Barbara Biggerstaff and Cecil Allen.

Meredith Franklin was visited by Patsy Ward and Cecil Allen.

Terry McDowra was visited by Barbara Fambro, Cherry Walker, Cecil Allen, Bobby and Sue Salter.

Ima Griffin was visited by Patsy Curtis, Tammy Aubrey and all the kids.



**Post Oak News**

By Geneva Lee  
982-5309

The East Post Oak Baptist Church held their midweek services last week on Thursday night, December 31 and besides their singing and the preaching service they had refreshments and played 42 or other games until midnight and saw the New Years in.

Mickie Freelan and daughter Joyce Shelton and children and grandchildren attended church at Post Oak Sunday morning. The East Post Oak Oak Ladies Auxiliary meeting Tuesday night, January 12 at 7:30.

Phillip Allen and family of Ft. Worth visited his mother Ruby Allen over the weekend and attended church with her Sunday.

Louise Cagle and daughter Kathy Wood went to Longview to spend Christmas with Sue and Norman Farris. Kathy returned home and Mrs. Cagle spent 4 nights with them and had a wonderful time.

Amy and Rick Romero and son of Kearne, Utah spent 5 days during the Christmas holidays visiting his parents Fran and Favid Seay and grandmother Hazel Cleveland.

Bro. and Mrs. E.R. Reynolds ate Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Don Vaughn and their family.

Terri and Jerry Williams and children, Jerald and Katie of Paris and Clara Bates of Paris Nursing Home spent Christmas Day with Betty and Newman Low. Visiting them in the afternoon were Wilbourne and Geneva Lee and son Johnnie here and Jack and Billie Jennings and daughter Jennifer of Plano.

Billie and Alvis bates had their family visit them for Christmas. Since Christmas Alvis and Billie have both been sick with colds and sore throat.

Travis Vaughn and family visited his parents Mr. and Mrs. Verlon Vaughn and attended church with them Sunday, December 27.

We extend our sympathy to the family of William F. Freelan. He was a brother to James Freelan. He lived at Pin Hook and died on Christmas Day and after a funeral at Fry and Gibbs Funeral Home Monday, December 28, he was buried here in Post Oak Cemetery.

**Pattonville News**

By Peggy Parsons  
Call Your News to 652-5022

Lance Stout of Cooper spent Wednesday night with his grandparents, Dr. L.C. and Jerry Nell Stout.

Christmas Eve visitors of the Stouts were their children, Kathy Stout of Arlington and Jerry and Mitzi Stout, Lance, Christin and Brittany of Cooper.

Christmas Day the Stouts were in Cooper at the home of Jerry and Mitzi, Lance, Christin and Brittany for a brunch with Mitzi's sisters and families.

Visiting Bill and Ruby Dee Blevins were James Bell, Alice Bumbergar, Mickey Keener, Sandy Ring, Casey and Heather Anderson.

The Jeff Unruh family and friends sang Christmas carols in our community on Christmas night.

Having Christmas dinner with Buster and Louise Crossland were their children, Willie and Donna Crossland, David, Michael and Kristina Crossland and Ty, Travis and Debra Crossland, T.K. and Ashley, Kent and Mary Ann Wright, Brandon and Blaine.

Glen and Susie Evans cooked breakfast for their children Christmas morning, Billy and Pam Evans, Erica and Michelle, Norman and Kim Montgomery, Madison and Michael, Pam Rogers, Brandi Hall and Eddie Evans.

Christmas Day Alice Evans had Eddie and Ada Brook, Jerry and Linda Short, Jenny Christensen, Glen and Susie Evans and their families for dinner. Ruby Dee Blevins and Jan Tomblin visited Alice recently.

Tammie Gibson, daughter of Larry and Brenda Gibson was married to Brad Bassano on December 23.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Virgie Hoover, who died in Paris Saturday, January 2 at Paris Nursing Home. She was the mother of Raymond Hoover and a former resident of the community.

Christmas day visitors of Keith and Peggy Parsons were Irene Parsons, Marcy Stewart, Randy and Pam Duke, Brett and Sarah of Hurst, Johnny and Angie Campbell, Jessica and Dillon of Plano, Mark and Tonya Parsons, Haley and Ty of Rowlett, Mr. and Mrs. Keith Burdine, Jordan and Ashley of Paris, Bob and Judy Ellington of Huntsville, Nina Sparks, Elois Sparks, Drew and Leah Boren.

The Sparks' Christmas dinner and tree was hosted by the Parsons on Saturday. Attending were Bob and Judy Ellington, Ronnie and Kay Ellington, Wes Winters and Tiffany Cook of Huntsville, Greg and Connie Parsons, Alisen and Davis of Whitehouse, Mark and Tonya Parsons, Haley and Ty of Rowlett, Ralph and Lois Kennett of Cooper, Ina and Nina Sparks of Deport, Elois and Mike Sparks, Randy and Kristi Boren,

Drew and Leah.

Sunday dinner guests of Keith and Peggy Parsons were Bob and Judy Ellington, Greg and Connie Parsons, Alisen and Davis, Mark and Tonya Parsons, Haley and Ty, Randy and Kristy Boren, Drew and Leah and Kandi Wright.

Kip and Danielle Winters, Morgan and Mitch of Lucas, Mark and Tonya Parsons, Haley and Ty, Alisen Parsons, Leah Boren, Kandi Wright, Ina and Nina Sparks were Monday visitors of Keith and Peggy.

Susie and Glen Evans spent the New Year weekend in Denison.

Ada and Eddie Brook of Winnsboro, Jerry and Linda Short of Frisco and Jenny Christensen and daughter Kim and husband of Mesquite visited Alice Evans during the New Year weekend.

Joe, Sharyl and Anna Thompson spent December 26-30 in Breckenridge, CO on a church ski and sleigh ride trip.

Randy and Kristi Boren, Drew and Leah attended the Boren's family Christmas tree at Lonnie and Laura Laytons home in Paris on Christmas Eve. They had Christmas dinner with Dee and Betty Boren in Paris.

Howard and Sara Higdon and Wayne were hosts for the Higdon family Christmas dinner Sunday. Attending were John and Beth Rushing and children of Bonham, Nell Higdon and friend of Duncanville, Mike and Terra Widner and children of Arlington, Randy and Laura Swallow of Henderson, NV, Richard and Sally Baker and children, Jimmy and Ann Gatlin, Harvey and Nancy Higdon and Neil of Arlington and Margaret Fowler.

Jery and Dorothy Richey, T.J. and Margaret Fowler attended a New Year's eve party at the Elks Club in Paris.

Colton Moore spent the New Year weekend with his dad, Rickey Moore in Clarksville.

Buster Crossland has been ill this week.

T.J. and Margaret Fowler, Carol and Jennifer Dorsey ate dinner with Lucy Fowler in Cunningham New Year's day.

T.J. and Margaret Fowler visited Jimmy and Ann Gatlin Saturday.

Happy birthday to James Vandavever and Tiffany Winters. Barbara Dawson's visitors over the holidays were Peggy, Jamie and Tammy of Hugo, OK, Gary and Kelly Davidson, Sara Tucker of Idabel, OK, Butch and Jackie Gooding, Jeremy and Dennis and Joey Renfro of Grant, OK, Amy Harris of Odessa, Tommy Davidson and Dale Miller of Lindale, Ruth, Brian and Amanda High of Paris and Dusty and Chelby Evans of Chicota.

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Visiting Yuba Sparks during the holidays were her children, Kathy and husband Dale Flach of Dell City, Alta and husband Fred Fanguio of Paris, Mary Ann Ericsson of Littlefield and Ernie and wife Rita Kay of Paris; grandchildren, Dana and Bill Dinis of Thornton, CO, Lisa and Tiffany Hughes of Paris, Duane and Kathy Fanguio of Marshall, Tamera and Brittany Bean of Paris, Chris, Teena and Courtney Sparks of

Paris, Wade, Karen, Zackery and Savannah Sparks of Sulphur Springs, Camille and husband Kelly Click, Justin and Shelby of Whitehouse, Liberty and husband Randy Huddleston and Charity of Deport and James and Tonya Johnson, Michalah and Drendyn of Longview and friends C.T. Heard of Longview and Dean Grauman of Sherman.

L.C. Ballard attended the Christmas program at New Hope Baptist in Paris to watch his grandson, Jordan. Vivian Ballard of Ft. Worth joined the Joe Ballards for a holiday dinner. Joe and Jordan Ballard went fishing on Saturday.

Mary Dorothy Nolan of Paris, daughter of Paralee Short and the late Charlie Short of Amarillo, is doing well in a Dallas hospital following surgery.

Attending a Christmas party in the home of Pam and Brad Hunt on December 22 were Grady and Kathryn Wright, Kent, Ann, Brandon and Blaine Wright, Kyle, Lisa and Kandi Wright, Katie Mullins and Aaron Williams, Mike and Sharon Wright. Frankie Hunt spent Christmas week in Denton in the home of Fran and Scott Moore. Pam and Brad Hunt were there on Christmas day. Cindy Burks and Vickie Williams

of Campbell visited Grady and Kathryn Wright, Pam and Brad Hunt and Kent and Ann Wright and Blaine Sunday.

Ruth and Stanley O'Brien celebrated Christmas with their family in Garland. Dr. Stephen O'Brien, daughters Rachael, Julie and Stephanie of Euleess and Dr. Randy O'Brien and children Courtney, Renee and Ethan Stanton of Mesquite and Bradley O'Brien of Austin.

Ruth O'Brien's Christmas calls included Ethel Grissom of Chattanooga, TN, James and Rose Martin of Pampa and Eulalah Howell of Amarillo.

Stanley O'Brien enjoyed a call from Florida during the holidays from his brother-in-law.

Christmas eve guests of Thomas and Nanalee Nichols were Hugh and Vicki Jeffus and Jeff, Jason and Christy Dickson and Chase, Russ and Camey Rodgers, Ben and Sharon Gooding.

All of Mae Nichols' children and many of her grandchildren and great-grandchildren celebrated Christmas with her at the home of her daughter, Mary Mantooth.

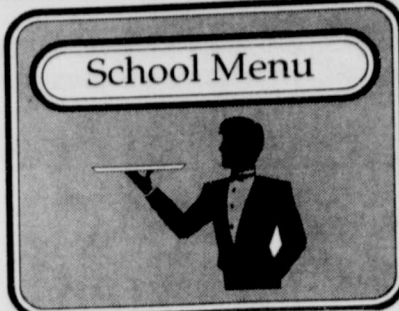
New Year's Day guests of Thomas and Nanalee Nichols were Donny and Dawne Darden.

Happy birthday to Alma Scaff, Brandi Stripland, Connor Chipman, Dalton George, Amanda Barnard,

James G. Smith, Fresia Benfer, Milton Almendinger, Anthony Larue, Wayne Couch, Sr., Betty Boren, Charity Huddleston, David Singleton, Melanie Taylor, Sydney Chipman, Bonnie Ricks, Joe B. Henderson, Lindsay Wright, Austin Frazier, Joe Black, Melba Ladd, Mary Jackson, Connie Dodd, Dorothy Holt, Johnny Holt, Phillip Dodd, Danny Rosser, Jamie Malone, Katherine Luft, Ryan Reily, Andrew Houston, Harold Shull, Leonard Frazier, Tim Wood, Tiffany Winters, Debbie Pearson, James VanDeaver, Eric Pearson, Melody Wallace, Chance Crawford, Melba Barner, David Rosenblum, Joshua Logan Allen, Lindsay Kelley, Bill Pierce, Danny Rowland, Sherrie Wolf, Shirley Ballard, Walker Devlin, Buena Marshall, Vanessa Nolan, Dawn Nailing.

Happy anniversary to Mame and Glen Cutshall, Vanessa and Brett Nolan, Robbie and Clarence Wright, Cindy and Bert Filkins, Edna Earl and Luther Wright, Susan and Scott Schotz, Beverly and Russell Ham, Marcelle and Tim Abernathy, Tonya and Harry Crawford.

Wade Sparks graduated December 4 from U.T. Austin with a bachelor in pharmacy. He is the son of Ernie and Rita Sparks of Paris and



**School Menu**

Prairiland  
All Campus Menu  
January 11-15  
Monday

**Breakfast:**  
Biscuits, gravy  
Juice, milk

grandson of Yuba Sparks and Lloyd Simmons. He and wife Karen and daughter Savannah will be living in Sulphur Springs where Wade will be working the Wal Mart pharmacy.

Virginia Kirkland, Marijo and Shelby Bono and Kelly Gifford visited in Hope, AR on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Grant Gage and Casey. Joe and Kay Gage of Diboll spent New Year's Eve with Virginia Kirkland.

Reba Temple spent the Christmas holidays in Dallas with Bruce Temple and family.

Visiting Ina and Nina Sparks Saturday were Mark and Tonya Parsons, Ty and Haley of Rowlett, Leah Boren and Peggy Parsons.

Mary Jackson and Freeman Safford of Paris attended Deport United Methodist Church last Sunday. Following church, Ruth Cheatham, Ina and Nina Sparks, Mary and Freeman ate lunch in Paris.

**Lunch:**  
Fish  
French fries  
Cole slaw  
Hush puppies  
Milk

Tuesday

**Breakfast:**  
Cinnamon rolls  
Juice, milk

**Lunch:**  
Tacos  
Salad  
Refried beans  
Pineapple chunks  
Milk

Wednesday

**Breakfast:**  
French toast, syrup  
Juice, milk

**Lunch:**  
Vegetable soup  
Crackers/cornbread  
Cheese stick  
Mayo cake  
Milk

Thursday

**Breakfast:**  
Cereal, toast  
Juice, milk

**Lunch:**  
Fried chicken  
Potatoes  
Corn  
Rolls  
Milk

Friday

**Breakfast:**  
Biscuits, sausage  
Gravy  
Juice, milk

**Lunch:**  
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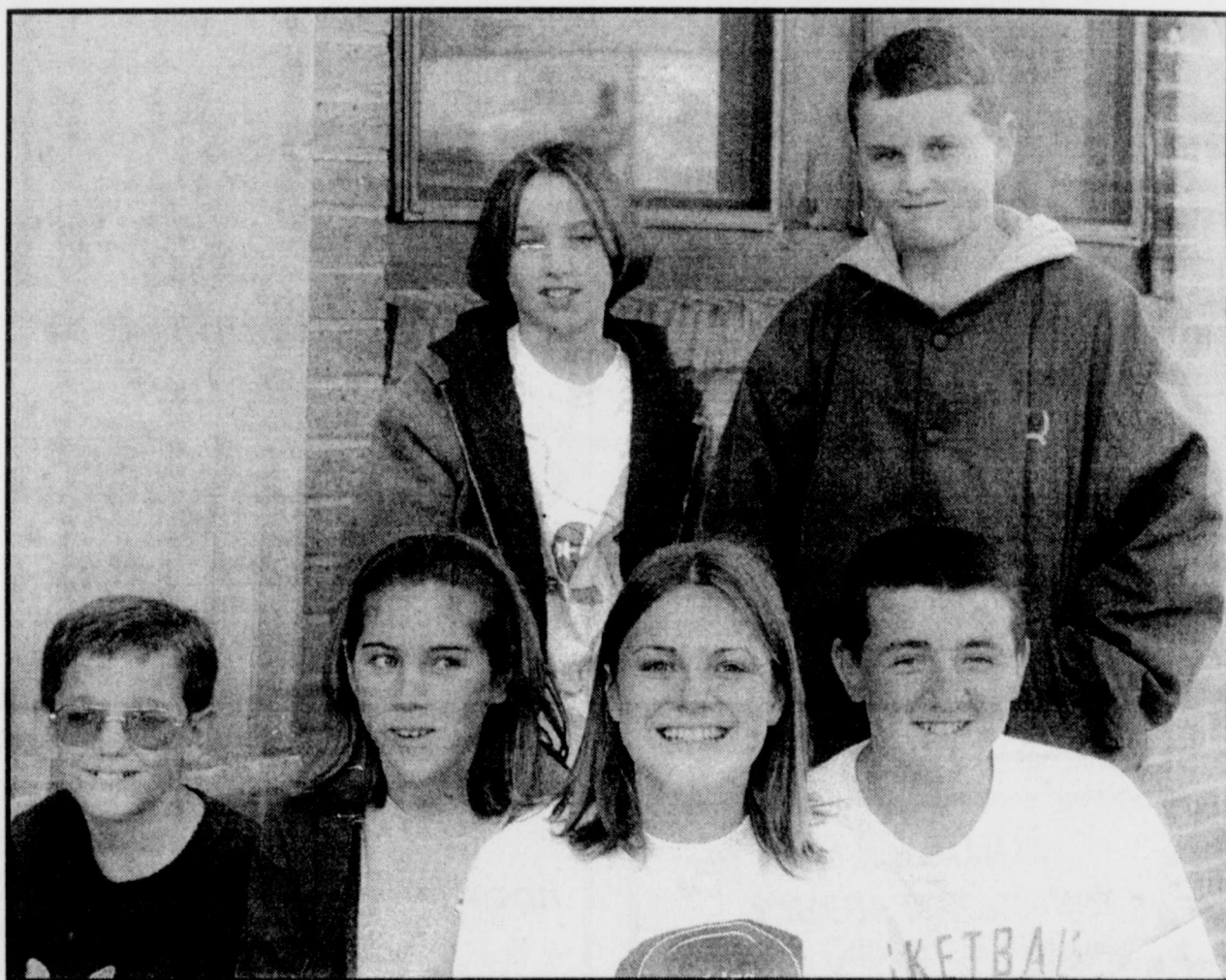
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